

"Mmnggh... is Kalego-sensei will not back yet?"

"Not yet, no." Balam answers the sleepy demon with a small smile, running his nails through their hair.

"Aw c'monnnnn! It's already so laaaaate!" Robin leans more onto Balam in a fit. Balam continues to pet him.

"Now, now." He tries to soothe, but it does little but earn him an indignant and nonsensical grumble.

"He always works so late."

"Mhm."

"He does so much work."

"Mmhmm."

"Kalego-sensei is incredible."

"That's true." Balam lets the sulking demon bury their head into his shoulder, rubbing comforting circles along their back.

"Isn't Kalego-sensei pushing himself too much?" Said demon asks, peeking up to him with downturned ears.

"That's just how he is." Answers Balam. Robin whines.

"I miss him. But he always gets mad when I say that."

A chuckle, "Don't take it to heart." Robin lets out another grumble as he slumps against him in response. Balam continues his comforting that has become a routine as of late now that it is nearing exam season.

Kalego always coops himself up to focus on creating assignments and homework for his students even more than usual during this time, leaving them both little time to see him outside of a school setting. And Kalego much preferred to not mix personal romantic relationships into said school setting.

Balam feels Robin fighting back sleep as his bare talons massage at his scalp. Nod, nod, jolt, the process repeats. Now mindlessly playing with the two large strands of hair, Balam awaits for the other to finally succumb to exhaustion... but Robin stubbornly stays awake.

"Don't... Don't wanna sleep till Kalego-sensei is back..." Balam's shirt is clenched tightly, causing Balam to glance at the clock. It's well past midnight, Kalego most likely plans to work through the night.

"I'll try to talk to him, get some rest for now." Balam doesn't make any promises as he slowly peels Robin off of his lap to instead place him onto the bed.

"Not until Kalego-sensei is here..." Protests Robin even as he buries his face into his pillow. Balam gives Robin one final pat on the head.

"Yes, yes."

