

“No. I’m going back to Mum and Dad.” James said taking his tie off. The boys nodded and looked at Sirius.

“What about you mate?”

Sirius sat back on his bed and undid his robes. “Yeah. I didn’t— actually I don’t want to—but Regulus wants to know about Hogwarts.” Sirius said coldly.

“So your all leaving for the holiday?” Peter squeaked.

“Yeah mate.”

Remus looked up from his book and at Peter. “It’s not that bad Peter. You have... other students who will probably be staying for Christmas too.”

Peter looked down and kicked a box of candy the boys stole— but Remus totally didn’t help.

“Look mate, suck it up! We’re going to see our family. Your not that important to stop us fro:doing that.” James said rolling his eyes, finishing his packing.

Peter’s eyes wide then narrowed as he looked down. Remus looked up at Peter.

“Hey, I’ll write to you. Our family has a small brown owl.” He said smiling.

Peter looked up and gave a small smile. “Thanks.”

“Anytime.”

Remus finished packing and walked down the steps with Sirius and James down to where all of the students were gathering to go home. Remus spotted Lily—with some of her stuff— saying goodbye to Severus Snape— who was in Hogwarts uniform unlike everyone going home. Remus guessed Severus was not going home.

Snape smiled at Lily, and handed her a book called ‘Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them’. She smiled and hugged him in a tight hug as Severus smiled and hugged her back. Remus smiled to himself and followed the large group. They all walked to carriages that took them to the Hogwarts Express.

“Oi Remus?”

Remus turned and saw James and Sirius.

“Wanna come with us mate?”

Remus gave a smile and nodded as he gained the boys in compartment forty seven. Remus put his bag up over the other head area and sat down across from the boys. He wanted to talk to them about being rude to Peter, but Remus didn’t necessarily have the guts.

“So mate, what are you going to do when you get home?” James asked ruffling his messy black hair some.

“Well, I’m going to talk with Regulus and avoid my parents!” Sirius said proudly.

James nodded thoughtfully and turned to Remus. “What about you?”

Remus shrugged. “Well I don’t have any siblings, and I like my parents. So, I’m going to spend time with them and tell my mom about Hogwarts.”

Sirius nodded, and his eyes looked hungry. “Are your parents... nice?”

Remus raised an eyebrow. “Erm, yeah. Why?”

“Nothing! Nothing at all mate! I’m just... curious.” Sirius said looking down. “Are they muggles?”

“Erm... my mum is. Dad isn’t.” Remus said simply.

Sirius nodded and continued to look down. James looked up and fixed his rectangular glasses.

“Erm, it’s the same with me—except I’m a pure-blood so... yeah.” James said softly.

“Yeah. What’s that like?” Sirius asked curiously.

Remus looked down. He wasn’t like other half-bloods. He was a monsters, a werewolf. He didn’t have a normal family compared to other sibling-less half-bloods.

“Erm, well... it’s nice. I can’t speak for others, but mum makes our house like a muggle one. Dad adds needed wizarding charms and stuff.”

“Why?”

Remus felt uncomfortable in his seat. “Because... I— I don’t really like going outside.” Remus lied... sort of. He proffered to read books all day and learn, rather than go outside.

Sirius and James smiled and laughed.

Remus raised an eyebrow at the boys who were rolling on the ground.

“What’s funny?”

The boys shook their heads and laughed some more. They finally caught their breath and looked up at Remus.

“It’s just that—”

“We know that!”

The boys giggled some more and Remus rolled his eyes. He didn’t get why it was so funny. Maybe it was because he had never been around kid his age till Hogwarts.

“Remus! You act like we didn’t know!”

“HA!”

“BLAHAHAHAHHA!”

Remus rolled his eyes again as the boys laughed more. “So immature.” He mumbled under his breath.