# **Chapter 3**

## Departure to ONY

Peter and Klaus did not need to be told twice, they quickly packed their things and the picnic backpack and climbed into the spaceship in no time. Once inside, they saw Tony float through the door transforming back to his original size in the huge hall in the spaceship. They felt quite small in the big spaceship.

Monica was also impressed by the gigantic volume of the flying object. "Wow, that ship is humongous, and we are so small!" she whistled out in amazement.

"Don't worry, we'll get it right," Tony said in a loud and resounding voice, so that the children almost winced in awe. Quickly Tony opened his left hand and sprinkled luminous powder over the children's heads and what happened next was fantastic to watch.

Peter, Klaus and Monica seemed to grow slowly and became bigger and bigger. Fortunately, their clothes were also getting bigger, otherwise all their clothes would probably have been ripped apart. Finally, they were almost as big as Tony, who looked at them with a smile, "Well, here we go." And he turned around and was about to enter the elevator to the bridge.

Suddenly Monica interrupted him, "Stop, I hear something, ... yes, it's Nala!"

"Yes, I know," Tony smiled and entered the elevator, "quickly come along, we'll take care of Nala when we get to the bridge." And he waved them all into the elevator. "Bridge" Tony said in a commanding and clear tone, and the elevator moved upwards, barely noticeable. Monica was about to say something, but before she could get her mouth open, after barely 5 seconds, far too little to chat in the meantime, they reached the bridge and the gate opened. The room was flooded with light and dazzled the eyes of our "newcomers".

"Switch on automatic dimming mode," they heard Tony call succinctly, and at the same moment the glaring blinding rays of sunlight, which had previously flooded the room disappeared. Now they could all gaze at the bridge in its full glory and uniqueness. Lounge-style seating was set up everywhere. The whole thing resembled a very classy hotel lobby rather than a command center. In the center was a large circular control console equipped with built-in flat screens.

"This is the heart of the starship, the command center. Please do not touch anything until you have asked me, and until you have been trained." he stepped through the single opening of

the round console and faced the large window screen of the spaceship and pressed a small green glowing dot on the console, which now displayed a bright orange color. At the same time, a giant image of Nala appeared in front of the window screen.

"Wow, that's unbelievable," Klaus said, and Monica and Peter could only manage an "awesome dudes!

"Your Majesty, we are ready for the journey, with your permission I will now teleport you to the bridge." Tony's voice echoed over the communication amplifiers.

"Your Majesty? Nala? What does he mean by that?" Peter whispered to Klaus. But before he could answer, they heard Nala's voice:

"I am ready, Tony, my faithful guardian and leader of my forces." And she stood on her hind legs, crossed her front legs like arms and closed her now green-glowing eyes. Suddenly a barely perceptible light appeared and then she dematerialized.

"Nala, she's gone, where is she?" cried Monica excitedly, and she turned to Tony with her hands flailing in confusion and concern.

"Here I am my earth girl, you don't have to worry." suddenly Nala's voice sounded from behind the command center.

"Nala!" the children felt relieved and ran toward her. "Wow, you've gotten big" they marveled. Yes, Nala was even a little taller than Klaus and about the same size as Monica and Peter.

She smiled mischievously at the latter for a moment, "and we two still have a bone to pick, water and air mattress aside, I may be the queen of Ony, but I'm still a cat and we don't like water much."

"You are the queen of Ony?" it escaped the children with astonishment, "but you are a cat, you, but, why..." completely confused Monica tried to express herself, but then Tony interrupted her:

"Yes, Nala is the queen of the planet Ony. About two Earth years ago, we exiled our queen to earth so that she would be safe from the wizard Bimbala's henchmen. But I will tell you everything on the journey to Ony, we still have a lot to do, we must train you in aeronautics, magical physics, weaponry, martial arts, diplomacy, spaceship technology and piloting as well as the galactic languages" and with these words he turned to Queen Nala:

"It's good to see you again, my queen, request permission to start," and he bowed to Nala.

"Permission granted, take us home Tony" and she strode up to him, gave him a quick hug and whispered, "Thank you my friend."

Tony visibly moved and pleased, turned to the children and said, "Peter, since you are such a good flyer, I appoint you captain of this spaceship, bring it quickly and safely to Ony," and he turned away.

"But how am I supposed to do that, I have no idea how the spaceship works and what and where to press." And he gestured helplessly toward Tony. The latter just turned around and put a golden filigree head ring, which looked like a hair hoop, on Peter's head.

"With this you will experience and learn everything you need to know to navigate the spaceship and more." He then pulled two more energetic shimmering head rings from the control panel and handed them to Klaus and Monica. "Put these on and by the time we arrive on Ony, you will know everything you need to know and more. Nala and I will now retire and confer and afterwards also recover a bit in our regeneration room. However, we will come back to you shortly before landing. "Captain," and he turned to Peter, "can I count on you?"

"Yes sir, I'll rock the thing, err... fly it" and Peter stood very importantly and proudly in the middle of the command center, touched a white luminous dot on the console and spoke: "full speed ahead" and with these words and under the amazement of Klaus and Monica, the spaceship rose into the air, only to leave the earth's atmosphere a little later and dive into space.

While Peter was learning how the spaceship worked, he set the spaceship screen to receive, so that Klaus and Monica could also see how they penetrated further and further into space. Past Jupiter and Saturn, to the end of the solar system known to us, and then they heard Peter give a command, "Activate nuclear solar drive, on my mark: go!" and then they saw a multitude of small lights that became filaments and suddenly there was only silence around them. They flew past different solar systems, galaxies, and Milky Ways, while getting all the knowledge they needed transferred into their minds through the head rings. It was like learning in a beautiful dream. Pictures, music, sounds, languages with sounds and words that have hardly been heard on Earth, let alone spoken.

Parts of their muscles vibrated briefly, and they noticed lights that appeared repeatedly in assorted colors. All this was transmitted to the children through the head ring, until finally the light and the warmth of the head ring stopped, just like when you turn off at.

A bit dazed, Klaus and Monica took off the head ring and looked into each other's eyes, where they both spotted another small glowing flicker, which finally went out as well. "Poah, that was incredible!" snapped Klaus.

"Cool, huh?" exclaimed Peter to Monica and Klaus as he seemingly directed the spaceship through his thoughts and speech. "According to the on-board computer, we should have the planet Ony on the screen soon." Klaus and

Monica looked eagerly at the screen and just as they saw the Nalu solar system with the planet Ony appear, the door opened, and Nala and Tony entered the bridge.

"Your Majesty on the bridge" and Peter stood respectfully in front of Queen Nala and bowed. When Klaus and Monica caught sight of Nala in her royally radiant silk kimono suit, they too bowed in keeping with the royal etiquette, as they had learned to do over the head ring, as if they had always known this and had always done it.

### **Arrival on ONY**

"My companions, warriors and helpers in need, welcome to the Nalu Confederacy, welcome to Ony." And she beckoned the children and Tony to join her in the conference lounge just next to the command center.

"Please sit down, we are about to land on Ony with the shuttle, but before that, I want to know if you all have received the necessary knowledge about our teaching transmitter. At the same time, according to your skills, you will be given a command post in our forces. " And while they were recounting in more detail the important key events of the last few years on Ony, the children noticed a small barely perceptible jolt in the spaceship. Peter's voice then rang out, "Your Majesty, General Tony, we have docked at Ony's space station, and the shuttle is ready for transport to the surface."

"Thank you, Captain Peter." replied Nala.

"By virtue of my royal power, you are all now promoted to the ranks of Consul of the Kingdom of Ony. You will obey my orders or the orders, shall we say wishes, of Tony. Please continue to call me Nala unless we are at official receptions. I will also call you by your first names, as will Tony." And she rose and handed Monica and Klaus a black robe with a red weapon belt and an Onyan dagger with a red gem in the sheath. Peter also received a black and silver uniform with a black laser pistol weapon belt and a black and red cape.

"It's time to give my people back their kingdom, let's go." And she moved toward the elevator with a smile. Tony and the children followed her wordlessly, but with a big tingle in their stomachs.

Once in the cargo hold, they boarded the futuristic space glider, which was also luxuriously and comfortably equipped. Peter sat down at the control console. "We are ready, coordinates are entered, launch will be served in 5 seconds, autopilot engaged, weapon systems online, shield online, communications channels open."

And then the space glider with the Queen, the Guardian, the Captain and the Consuls of Ony floated silently out of the hangar of the cargo dock and left the spaceship. It silently headed for the orbit of the planet Ony. Only now did they see the two suns illuminating the planet. Ony was orbiting around the one sun. And both the sun and Ony orbited around the second more distant sun. The two moons were also now visible. What a wonderful world.

As the space glider continued to approach the surface, they saw all the splendor of the planet. Ony was green and blue and even had mountains with white snow peaks. And as on Earth, there were day and night changes and so-called seasons. A year on Ony had however only 280 days, divided into 4 months. Whereby the summer and the winter lasted in each case 80 days and the spring and autumn counted in each case 60 days. About half of the planet Ony was covered with

water, lakes, rivers and snow and the other half consisted of forests and meadows and cities.

The glider flew silently through the atmosphere and passed cloud fields that looked like cotton candy. Then the shuttle airport of Ony slowly appeared before their eyes. The planet's capital, Galanta, was still a few kilometers away, but our friends could still see the skyscraper of the royal government palace clearly from up here. "Beautiful," Klaus whistled, and all the companions admired the beauty of the ever-growing, natural landscape of this planet.

There was already great commotion at the landing site and small and large beings were visibly busy, gathering and preparing for the arrival of Queen Nala. The security service had also taken up their positions. The time had come. With a light thump and a metallic thud, the glider finally landed safely and accurately on the landing ramp.

"Your Majesty," Tony bowed.

"Nala, please," she replied with a smile as she made her way to the glider's exit.

"Welcome to your kingdom, Nala. Your people are waiting for you," and Tony bowed again.

When the door of the space glider opened, however, neither a fanfare sounded, nor a welcome committee was visible.

Instead of the official welcome protocol normally provided for high state visits, Sumson, the head of the intelligence service, appeared.

Sumson was a black, somewhat scary looking bear with a large laser sword hanging from his golden weapons belt.

"Your Majesty, welcome back, we have waited long and eagerly for your return," and he bowed, with one knee on the ground. He was quickly joined by other security bears who also reverently knelt before the Queen.

### Safe

"Sumson, am I glad to see you," she returned his greeting. "Where are the others? Why am I already being greeted by you here at the port?"

"Your Majesty, many things have changed, our enemy has scattered fear and doubt in the hearts of your people. We must leave this place as soon as possible before the spies and scouts of Bimbala learn that you have returned. I am sorry, Your Highness, but we must hurry. We will inform you of everything at our headquarters" and he held out his arm to Nala, "please understand" he whispered apologetically, and they walked together to the security checkpoint where a group of flying bees were already waiting.

When Monica saw the bees, she was amazed: "they are huge and look at the shells they have. And she poked Peter in the side, who could no longer close his mouth in admiration.

"All aboard." Tony commanded. Queen Nala in the middle, Consul Klaus and Consul Monica at the back, and you Captain Peter, you join me and Sumson."

Now that everyone had mounted the bees and strapped themselves tight, they were ready to go. One after the other super Bee took off and buzzed at high speed over fields, meadows and forests. And after only a brief time they reached the headquarters of the security service. A large dome-shaped house with a hexagonal glass roof rose between the high treetops. Everything seemed to be a bit bigger than on earth. The security headquarters was impressive, for the house could be seen only after Sumson had turned off the electronic camouflage lock by telekinesis code.

Next to it, just above the entrance to the dome, which was built on mighty trees, a landing platform now appeared, on which the giant bees landed.

"Come on, hurry up, we need to turn the camouflage back on as soon as possible," Sumson urged, opening the sturdy entrance gate made of unknown metal and glass with a wave of his hand. It opened on two sides with a metallic sound. Our friends, protected by the security guards, hurried and stepped inside the glass palace, whereupon the doors at once closed again.

"So, for now we are safe, and we can talk. Perhaps Your Highness would like to retire for a while, in the meantime I will show our guests to their rooms and sleeping quarters. We will meet in about 3 hours in the conference room, right next to the Paradise Garden, which is the name of our canteen." And he smiled with a big grin almost sympathetically.

While Nala was escorted by two security guards to her royal suite, Sumson led our friends and Tony upstairs to the glass dome suite.

"Wow, it's "killer" here" Peter marveled, looking at the colors of the domed roof, which was lit up by the sun. He admired the green tops of the trees as they danced in the wind.

In the center of the room was a large transparent crystal, at least two yards high and almost three feet wide.

After Sumson said goodbye to Tony with a venerable bow, he laughed at us with a broad grin, "so, let me show you to your sleeping quarters so you can get some rest before the meeting, I hope you are all well."

"We're having a wonderful time" Monica replied chirpy. She couldn't get enough of looking at all these wondrous things, creatures and places.

"Here are your sleeping places," and Tony pressed a glassy purple button on a metallic wall, which, as if by magic, turned into a sliding door and opened. He quickly took out four bags, the size of a backpack, from the closet and handed them to our friends. "Here you will see another purple button. You press it, like this" and "poof" the backpack opened and turned into a floating mat. Immediately Tony sat down on the device and continued in front of the astonished children, "and here you have a small touchscreen built in, this is for securing and positioning the sleeping mat." After pressing the console a few times, they saw him slowly hovering up with his flying sleeping mat, suddenly resting in the middle of the room above their heads like a helicopter, but without propellers or noise.

"I know how that works, I learned about it from the heading" squeaked Captain Peter gleefully and floated up to Tony with his sleeping mat.

"This is fun!" exclaimed Monica and Klaus and for a while our friends hovered and flew around like airplanes on their beds in the glass dome suite until Tony put a stop to them. "I see you have already learned a lot, but now we should rest, we need the strength and energy for tonight's meeting." And he asked the children to return to the floor with their mats.

"But we are not tired at all," Klaus said disappointedly.

"You will, as soon as you touch the white button on the console, you will automatically fall asleep for at least two hours." And he pointed his finger at the touchscreen. "Klaus, you sleep in this far right corner, you Monica just above the entrance, and you Peter at the top of the dome. I will set up my quarters for tonight down here slightly above the floor."

After everyone had moved to their designated spaces and pressed the white button, the glass dome suite became quiet. Our friends as well as Tony were fast asleep, at the push of a button, so to speak.

After around two hours of sleep and a short shower in the forest wellness spa, with swimming pool, jacuzzi and a tropical rainforest shower facility, where

Klaus and Peter felt especially comfortable, they all put on their new official Ony combat suits and hurried to get to the conference room to be there on time.

Tony and Nala were already there: "Finally, what took you so long?" and Tony grinned across both cheeks: "It's great, isn't it, the tropical shower facility? and he winked at Klaus and Peter. Both laughed back a little embarrassed. "Come on in, so we can get started."

After everyone sat down in a circle of nature-shaped futuristic seats in the conference room, a light began to shine from the floor to the ceiling of the room. Shortly thereafter, a holographic image of a table appeared with a suspended 3-D map of the planet Ony.

"You already know about our technical achievements, so I can be relatively brief about what we can expect" Nala begins in a very cool manner. By the way, you have to leave your food items here, since they might interfere with our ecosystem on Ony. "I have also decided to have only you and Tony at this meeting. On the one hand, because I have already informed most of the people concerned about the next steps of our first mission and on the other hand, because I do not want, what is discussed here to be brought to the outside world. I hope we have understood each other" and with this last sentence she looked at everyone in the room.

Satisfied with everyone's reaction, she continued, "If you have any questions, please ask them at the end of what I have to say.

## 300 Years Ago

..... the sorcerer Bimbala tried to seize power over Ony, which he failed to do. He was banished to the "Dark Isle" and was allowed to return to the Kingdom of Ony only after serving his sentence, which was 50 years of banishment. After serving his sentence, he built a big castle near the "Dark Isle" on the sunny side of the lake, since "Dark Isle" was situated on the shadowy side of the lake, where practically no sunshine ever hit the land. Due to his popularity, many Onyans started to work for him and lived near his magic castle. After only ten years he had regained his power in the kingdom of Ony and even achieved the rank of 1st consul of the planet. But then all changed abruptly.

The white wizard changed inexplicable to all into a dark villain. During a session like this today, he tried to eliminate me. And it was only thanks to my brave friend and Scholar Leon and my Guardian Tony that I survived his attack. Quickly Tony brought me to Earth, and I slipped into a similar creature as we know it here on Ony, a katana or as you call it a cat. Don't worry about your Nala she is fine. She should be back to chasing mice in the field. Tony can tell you the rest, please Tony" and she beckoned Tony with a hand gesture to continue.

"Well, yes, during Nala's absence, Bimbala became more and more powerful and tried to find out where Nala was. This went so far that after a few months he started a war against us. Many Onyans died, either on the battlefield or in the lazaret. Eventually, with the help of Sumson, we managed to drive Bimbalas forces back, but our troops were too weakened to finish him off, so he was able to flee back to his castle near "Dark Isle" with his remaining followers and troops to make more evil plans. In addition, he had kidnapped and killed snakes who worked as doctors in our country, so that even greater suffering broke out on Ony. At the same time, he secured his conquered land with all means possible and distributed the codes and keys and diamonds to different small castles and fortresses. The shortage of specialists was so severe that Tony was ordered to search for Elise and other snakes, which we also brought to your solar system for the protection of Nala. Unfortunately, they were captured on Earth and had since disappeared.

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