

Monster Wars



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This book is made for you.

-Riley (Roxy)

Chapter 1

Ever since Dantilda joined Riley's team, a strange disease had been spreading in town.

"In my research, the disease is from a supernatural energy source," Ashley exclaimed.

"Good researching," Riley said, looking at a map.

Suddenly, Dantilda ran into the room.

"You better come look at this!" Dantilda shouted all worried.

Riley turned around. "What's so frightening?"

"Just come!" Dantilda replied.

Riley and her crew followed Dantilda into the hospital. Riley was shocked to see Jake lying in bed.

"Jake!" Riley shouted. Dalton appeared.

"No use. He can't hear you or see," Dalton exclaimed, shaking his head. Riley went over to Jake. She touched him. He was freezing cold.

“The disease,” Riley whispered. She stepped back.

“I might know a little about the disease,” Dantilda joined in. “I read in a book that the disease was not made by nature. It was made by a kind of...”

“Monster!” Riley finished.

Dalton rushed to the library and came back with a book.

“You mean the book called (Monster Secrets) by Dalton?” he asked.

Riley and Dantilda smiled.

“Yes, it's your book,” Dantilda said.

Dalton opened the book.

The book glowed a golden light.

Chapter 2

Boom! A sound boomed across the whole base.

Everyone froze.

“What was that?!” Dantilda asked.

“Must be a bomb or something,” Riley said, walking to the window.

“Let’s go check it out,” Dalton said.

Everyone agreed and walked outside.

They saw what they expected. A giant hole in the ground.

“What made this?” Dantilda asked.

No one answered. They were too busy writing notes and examining the hole.

Riley took a closer look.

“Oh, no. The city is in grave danger,” Riley warned.

“As if,” a sound said. Riley turned and saw a girl about her age standing there.

“Who are you?” Riley asked.

“Nicole, director of the movies,” Nicole answered.

Everyone looked at each other feeling strange. Finally, Dantilda stepped up and said, “Yeah...Why are you here?”

Nicole just replied, “Oh, I just walked past and heard you talking about our city.”

“Let’s take her into the base,” Riley said.

“Seriously?” Dantilda asked.

“Only way to go,” Riley answered.

Riley glanced at Nicole and wrote something in her notebook.

“Dalton, get Nicole into the base,” Riley requested, not making sure if Dalton was there or not.

“Dalton?” Riley turned around.

Chapter 3

“Where did he go?” Dantilda asked Riley.

“Beats me,” Nicole answered.

Dantilda took one long look and said, “Not talking to you though.”

Riley walked into the base and called, “Dalton?! Dalton?!” She was getting worried.

Suddenly, a sound whispered in Riley’s mind: “The sound of hero will fade in light, the hero’s sword will shatter and die as long as the hero’s light recreate, the hero will fly.”

“The prophecy!” Riley realized.

Riley paused. She went upstairs to the hospital.

“Dalton? Dalton’s light?” Riley murmured.

She realized that it was Dalton, Dalton’s light in the book. Riley understood the prophecy. She ran downstairs to tell her team.

“Everybody gather up!” Riley shouted.

Everybody turned and listened to Riley.

“I understand the prophecy. Dalton is the hero,” Riley explained.

Everyone gasped.

“Remember when Dalton opened his book? It glowed,” Riley explained. “That’s his light! Remember, ‘the sound of hero will fade in light’? It might as well have gone into his book like Brago did a million years ago.”

Riley’s sound faded. “But he did not fly out.”

Everyone was silent.

Chapter 4

“It’s all my fault!” a voice cried. It was Jake!

“Jake!” everyone except for Riley shouted in surprise.

“How are you?” Dantilda asked.

“I’m great!” Jake replied.

Riley was still thinking about Dalton and the light.

Jake saw Riley and came to her and said, “Hey. It’s ok. I know about what happened.” Jake tried to comfort Riley.

“Sometimes, the world will make a choice for good. But it's also bad. You can’t change the world. And don’t think about now. Think about the future. In the future, everything will be fine. Maybe he’ll still fly out,” Jake comforted. Riley smiled.

“Thanks,” Riley thanked.

Jake thought for a moment and asked, “You wanna have a pool party tonight?”

Riley smiled and sighed.

“It’s ok,” Riley sighed. Jake was surprised. But he could not bear to ask because he didn’t want to get into a fight.

“Alright. Then see ya,” Jake smiled.

Riley smiled back. With a sigh, they both look up into the sky. And there was the most beautiful thing...

“Stars!” Riley shouted. Everyone looked up. Amazed by their beauty.

“Wow! It's so beautiful!” Dantilda commented.

Chapter 5

BArring!!

“What's on now?” Riley asked sleepily. She answered the phone.

“Riley, meet me at the park front door,” Jake mumbled in a low strange voice. Riley thought this was a trick, but she had no choice but to answer.

“... S-sure. As long as you show me the way to my base,” Riley answered.

Jake sent her a picture of the base. Impressive for a bad guy pretending to be Jake. She knew something was going on. She put on her clothes and ran downstairs to the park. After a little while, she got to the park.

“Jake!” Riley shouted. She ran towards him.

“I have news,” Jake said.

“What kind of news?” Riley asked. Inside, she was saying, “Bad guy come out.” Jake took Riley behind an office.

“Bad news. I did some research last night and found a poem,” Jake started. “It was like, Riley, Jake, Dalton, Dantilda.”

Riley was confused. “Who would write a poem about us?”

Jake started to say something but something caught his eye. Before he knew it, he dropped to the ground.

“Jake!” Riley shouted. She pulled him up.

“Nothin’,” Jake replied with a sneaky smile.

“Weird,” Riley thought.

“Nice that you’re fine,” Riley smiled.

Jake stared at the wall for a moment. “Yeah, I’m ok.”

Riley smiled again.

Chapter 6

Riley noticed Dantilda. “Hey! What are you doing here?” she asked.

“Oh, just having a break for... um...from... the thing?” Dantilda replied suspiciously.

Riley noticed Dantilda’s smile.

“Ok,” Riley smiled. She pressed a button that dropped a cage on Dantilda.

“Hello again,” Riley laughed. “Draken.”

Jake knew something was wrong.

“Who’s Draken?” Jake asked.

“An old enemy of mine,” Riley answered.

With a growl, she walked away, forgetting Jake.

Suddenly a familiar sound roared across the whole park.

Jake recognized it. It was Dalton!

“You know there’s more than one person who can fight you, Draken. Don’t even think about it,” Dalton boomed. Jake heard another familiar voice. It was Riley!

“You think that was the real Riley, huh? Well, she had nowhere to hide. Reveal yourself, Eltra,” Riley laughed.

“Thanks,” Jake thanked. Dalton and Riley smiled.

“Shall we fight it backward or blindfolded?” Riley asked.

“Blindfolded,” Dalton replied.

Jake stood in amazement while Dalton and Riley fought against Draken and Eltra.

Chapter 7

After the fight, everyone was sweaty and tired.

“Hey, you guys want to come to my home?” Dalton asked. “I just bought a new house.”

Riley smiled and nodded.

“Good idea, I wanna take a tour,” Jake replied.

They walked into the forest and to Dalton’s home.

Jake gasped. The house was two times bigger than a large mansion. There was a pool in the front yard. There was a statue of Dalton himself. Inside, the ground was made of glass and the whole mansion was made of glass. There was a giant board game in the house.

“You must be rich!” Riley gasped.

“You bet,” Dalton answered. Dalton walked towards the house and announced, “You two VIP’s shall have a free tour of a gorgeous mansion!”

Riley screamed with excitement and ran into the house. It was just so perfect. The walls, the ground, the rooms. Riley took 100 pictures and 10 videos.

She ran back with her hands full of candy. Then her eyes lit up. Her smile grew bigger. She dropped the candy and came back with a box full of paper and pencils freshly made by mermaids in the village on the west coast.

“Wow! I’m so proud! This is the best day ever!” Riley screamed.

“Wow?! She’s overjoyed,” Jake smiled as he nudged Dalton. They both smiled.

Chapter 8

But just then, a thunderous sound roared across the city.

“What was that??!!” asked Dalton.

Jake shrugged.

“Might be a clue for our next mission,” Riley answered.

She paused. Another loud sound roared.

“I’m sorry to say I can’t be with you on this mission. My friend Nicole invited me on another mission,” Riley murmured.

Jake’s heart sank.

“We need you! You can’t leave! You’re the person who tells us what to do! You are the hero!” Jake begged.

Riley smiled and sighed. “Jake. Years ago when I met you I felt like, ‘Wow! I have to be good friends with Jake.’ I always wanted to be better, cooler than you. Maybe you’ve been jealous or impressed, but the reason I keep trying to

get to know you and keep trying to be better than you is because... I've been jealous of you. You are the real hero, Jake, no matter what. This country depends on YOU. Not me, not Dalton, not Dantilda, it's you."

Jake smiled through his tears.

"Thank you!" Jake cried as he hugged Riley.

Riley smiled.

Riley smiled again and walked away.

Chapter 9

Dalton noticed a small red and white envelope on the ground. He had a worried look on his face.

“I better get going,” Dalton said, trying to get away.

Jake nodded. Dalton walked away, leaving Jake lonely again. Suddenly, Jake spotted the ENVELOPE.

Jake got curious and picked up the envelope. He opened it but dropped it. He gasped. He shivered. He was amazingly terrified. He screamed. He ran. But that was no help. He thought and thought, thought, thought, thought, thought, thought and thought harder but...

He fell on the floor with no blood, no pain, no poison. He was not even moving a bit. Nobody except for his friends knew what happened to Jake. But everyone knew what happened to Jake last year. If something happens to Jake every year, who knows what's going to happen next year?

Chapter 10

A week later...

Riley was walking and chatting with Nicole. Suddenly...

“Hey what's that?” Nicole asked, pointing at an envelope in front of a flower pot on the ground. Riley peeked at the envelope. She noticed something behind the flower pot. It looked like a hand or a body or something. She remembered that when she was small, she saw the same thing behind the flower pot.

“Let's go, or should we open the envelope?” Riley asked, feeling nervous because she just made the most horrible choice a girl could make.

Nicole looked worried too.

“L-let's open it,” Nicole finally replied, trembling.

Riley carefully opened the envelope. She was worried; Nicole was too. Riley closed her eyes and counted to three: “1, 2, 3!” She pulled the letter out.

Nothing happened.

“Huh? Very strange. There's nothing inside?” Riley finally said, confused.

“Wait! There is something!” Riley started, “It said, ‘Turn the power upside down. Jake’s blood is in my hands, so look out. I am the chatter Queen, I am the silly king...’” Riley whispered. She paused. She walked around and stopped. Her eyes turned white. Her face was pale.

“Umm, are you ok?” Nicole asked. Riley’s dress was getting torn up.

“Get away!” Riley shouted in a deep voice. She got more pale and her dress got more torn up.

“Help!” Nicole screamed. Dalton and Dantilda rushed in from not being there before.

“What happened to Riley?” Dalton asked, worried.

“I don’t know!” Nicole replied.

Dantilda pulled out a sword and shouted, “We must kill her!” Nicole and Dalton got angry.

“How dare you! You can’t!” Dalton shouted.

“Well, she’s going to kill us if we don’t!” Dantilda shouted.

“We need a plan,” Dalton finally said.

Chapter 11

Dalton and his friends went to the base. Dalton took out a piece of paper and drew lines and dots and an X and a bunch of other stuff.

“Ok, so, we are the dots,” Dalton started pointing at the dots. “So, the X is Riley, who I suppose now is the monster.”

Dalton drew a line to the X.

“Nicole, I want you to go to the secret magic library to find out some facts,” Dalton announced.

Nicole had a smile on her face. Dalton noticed the smile.

“Don’t pick silly books! Here’s a camera just in case you try to pick a silly book,” Dalton smiled.

Nicole crossed her arms and gave him a “Fine! I’ll get you back” look. She went out to the library.

“Dantilda, I want you to get the finest and strongest armor in Stark's Armor Shop,” Dalton continued.

Dantilda ran to the shop.

Dalton didn't want to face the danger because Riley would be hard to attack and also he didn't want to attack. He'd just have to cast a spell. But now, she was too powerful.

After thinking a little while, Nicole ran in the door.

"Dalton! I got the best book ever!" Nicole shouted. She gave Dalton the book excitedly. Dalton's eyes lit up.

"'How to Change a Monster Back to a Human!' Superb!" Dalton replied.

Chapter 12

Just then, Dantilda walked in holding a bag of shiny armor.

“Guess who won the Armor Prize?” Dantilda announced.

Nicole got excited. The Armor Prize was a super-mega prize. You need to get three lucky notes to get one. It’s very rare to get an Armor Prize.

“I did! I won! Cheers to me!” Dantilda shouted.

“Wow! I’ve never seen you be more excited! Oh, plus, Nicole got a book that I wrote. She just got it from the library,” Dalton explained.

Dantilda seemed even more excited. She was jumping up and down. But then, Nicole’s words saddened the happiness.

“I miss Riley,” Nicole whispered, “I should not have told Riley to open the envelope!” Nicole’s tears came out.

“Hey, Hey! Its ok,” Dalton calmed. Soon Dantilda was crying too.

“She was the one who made me laugh,” Nicole cried.

“She was the one who made me better,” Dantilda cried.

All of them were sad.

“Monsters, wars, secrets,” Dalton mumbled. Dantilda sighed.

They were all speechless. But then, suddenly a loud sound roared across the sky. No. Actually, it was really, really loud. Thunderous. Then a blue light appeared in the sky. What could it be?

Chapter 13

Everybody was dazzled.

“Look! It’s Riley!” Dalton shouted. Dantilda cocked her head.

“That’s not her,” Dantilda said. But it was. Riley was herself again. She was in the sky gathering power back from the envelope. She was wearing a white dress and white heels.

“What is she doing?” Nicole asked.

Nobody answered. Riley turned around and saw her friends with worried faces.

“Don’t be afraid! I’m just gathering power!” Riley shouted.

But Riley was afraid. Everyone was.

“I’m going to send you guys to the sky,” Riley said earnestly. “Don’t worry! If you stay here then it will be very dangerous!”

Dantilda looked at Nicole, Nicole looked at Dalton.

“All right, we’ll go to the sky but you need to tell me what you’re going to do,” Dalton replied.

Riley stopped. “I can’t. It’s in the envelope,” Riley explained.

She raised her hands and said a spell that sent Dantilda, Dalton, and Nicole to the sky. With tears, Riley did some hand motions and said some spells. Meanwhile, Dantilda and friends were in the sky, trapped.

“What are we going to do?!” Nicole asked.

Chapter 14

Dalton kicked the barrier and punched it and tried to blow it up but it was no use.

“Stop kicking It’s all no use!” Dantilda begged.

Dalton pretended he didn’t hear her and kept kicking the barrier.

“Dantilda’s right. Riley is getting stronger. She might attack us through the barrier if she becomes the monster again! We gotta do something!” Nicole shouted.

Dantilda nodded.”The more you start kicking the worse it gets! Stop leaving yourself out when you are in danger! It’s bendable!”

Nicole turned to Dantilda with a confused look on her face.”What’s bendable?”

Dantilda rolled her eyes. “It’s another word for unstoppable, you silly! ”

Dalton stopped and turned around. He shook his head and nodded, “You’re right, no use.”

Dalton walked to the barrier and said, “Take me.”

“Stop! You can’t do this!” Dantilda shouted before Dalton could do anything else.

“This is super life-risking! It will take away your soul!” Nicole shouted.

“This is our only chance!” Dalton shouted back. He said some more words and magically flew up in the sky.

Dantilda looked into Dalton’s mind. “Dalton is losing power, we need to be fast because his mind is losing souls of energy, quickly!”

Nicole turned to Dantilda. Nicole was both amazed and confused. “How do you know that much and what’s the soul of energy?!”

Dantilda rolled her eyes again. “I have the power to see through people’s minds! No time for this, I’ll explain later!”

Now, beneath them, Riley was gathering power and Dalton was losing power. But Riley would gather too much and Dalton was losing too much. Both sides were bad.

“We gotta do something!” Nicole shouted.

Dantilda nodded.

Chapter 15

“I know! We can find out the password to the barrier and say we are making a new password so we can control what’s gonna happen!” Dantilda shouted. Nicole agreed.

“Ok, Nicole. I want you to go to the keypad and figure out the password. I will wait for you here and check on Riley and Dalton,” Dantilda whispered,

Nicole nodded and ran to the keypad. Dantilda turned to Riley and saw she was getting stronger. Dantilda turned to Dalton and saw he was getting weaker. Dalton was getting sleepy and was about to close his eyes and Riley’s eyes were like fresh rabbit blood!

“Nicole, fast!” Dantilda shouted.

No answer.

“Nicole!”

Still no answer. Dantilda was getting worried. Then she remembered something Riley said: “For once you have

help, but the second time is for you. That's why you're here." Dantilda smiled. She made eye contact with Riley and nodded. Riley seemed to understand what Dantilda was talking about and stopped doing what she was doing.

Dantilda smiled again.

"I know where Nicole is. I'll tell you if you break the barrier," Riley explained. Dantilda agreed and typed something into the keypad. Magically, the barrier door opened.

"I told you that you could do it. If you guys hadn't bought the armor, everything would be fine. You guys just needed to find me, But instead you went wasting your money," Riley smiled.

Dantilda and Nicole turned around, confused. "How did you know that we wasted our money and bought the armor and book?" Nicole and Dantilda asked.

Riley rolled her eyes, "I can see the future, don't you know?"

But suddenly, Dalton dropped to the floor.

“Dalton!” Dantilda shouted.

Riley flew to the sky. “Dalton!” Riley shouted.

Chapter 16

Everyone was worried.

“Oh no! What happened?! It’s all my fault!” Riley cried. Nicole and Dantilda cried too.

Nicole hugged Riley and Dantilda.

“Sorry. Let’s go tell Jake and go get a coffee ok? I know how...” Nicole started. “Oh my gosh! His hand moved! He’s alive!”

Dantilda and Riley gasped. Dalton had woken up.

“Dalton!” everybody shouted. Riley smiled.

“We were worried about you!” Nicole exclaimed.

“I thought you were safer in the barrier, but I was wrong,” Riley smiled. Dalton smiled. But then Dantilda’s face turned serious.

“You know who made the envelope?” Dantilda asked. “J-Jake might be dead, you know.”

Nicole frowned.

Dalton was surprised.

“He can’t be. I called him yesterday,” Riley exclaimed.
“He said he was at his friend’s house.”

Dantilda frowned. She paused. “We’ve got to figure this out.”

“Wait... How did you know about the envelope?” Riley asked.

Everyone turned to Dantilda. Dantilda shivered.

“I didn’t tell her about the envelope,” Nicole said.

“Me neither,” Dalton continued.

Riley’s eyes widened. Everyone noticed.

“Unless you were the one who made the envelope!”
Riley gasped.

Dantilda shook her head. “It wasn’t me!”

Chapter 17

“Then who made the envelope?” Nicole asked emotionlessly scared.

Dantilda shrugged. Riley sighed.

“Will we ever finish this mission?” Riley asked. “Jake... could be anywhere.”

Dantilda growled, “Didn’t I say he was dead?!?!”

Riley didn’t listen and kept going. “I have proof here,” Riley explained as she showed them a bunch of pictures of Jake. “Look, this picture is from today.”

Dantilda growled again. “Shut the door,” Dantilda growled again.

Riley rolled her eyes.

Dalton opened a book.

“I think I have clue number 2. The person will be dead...” Dalton explained trailing away.

“Jake!” Nicole yelled.

Dantilda rolled her eyes. “It can’t be! Jake can’t be the person who made the envelope when he got cursed by it!” Dantilda yelled.

Riley could see anger in Dantilda’s red, red eyes.

“Chill, girl, It’s ok. Jake could...” Riley calmed.

Dantilda turned to Riley and yelled, “It’s none of your business! WHY are you even in this WORLD!!”

Riley freaked out.

“Something happened to Dantilda,” Riley whispered to Dalton.

He nodded. Riley could see Dantilda getting angrier.

Chapter 18

Just then, Riley's tears came out. She sang a song, so familiar, so magical.

"You and I. Were meant to be. Together forever. Hey, calm down. You have power over you," her voice, so sad.

"You may be scared. You may be afraid. But it is this song you may calm down. It's you," Riley sang.

Suddenly, Dantilda remembered. A long time ago, Riley got angry at her. Dantilda sang the song to Riley.

Riley smiled and sighed.

"You're my best friend forever. Every bad thing you have done is gone," Riley whispered. Dantilda's tears came out.

And soon everyone was crying.

Just then, Riley's eyes lit up. Dalton noticed.

"We know there is a monster war coming up. We have to fight whoever made the envelope, right? Well, maybe we don't need what we have," Riley explained.

Everyone was confused.

“What do you mean?” Nicole asked.

Riley’s eyes sparkled.

“Sometimes, we don’t need whatever is around ourselves. We need whatever's best for ourselves. Think back to all the memories, all the fun times we had. What is true power? True power is whatever stands for your life. True power is the moment of truth. Where every day, every time is a memory. Which takes lots of love and sadness and anger from every one of you. Take a deep look at all the things. Throw away stuff that could stand for your life but stay down. Keep stuff that could stand for your life but is always in your heart,” Riley explained.

There was a long silence.

“Riley’s right. We came a long way all along, now it’s time for true power,” Dantilda smiled.

Riley mouthed a thank you. Dantilda smiled.

Chapter 19

Early the next morning, Riley was reading a book. Nicole came over and peeked at it. “Hey, what’s that?” Nicole asked. Giving Nicole the book, Riley explained, “You know.” Nicole nodded. “Get Dantilda and the boys,” Riley said. Nicole smiled and ran to get the boys. “What could happen?” Riley thought. Riley got on her motorcycle and drove to the battle.

An hour later...

“Hey, ready for the battle?” asked Riley. “I’ve never been in a battle, but I know I’m ready,” Nicole smiled. Riley smiled and focused on the battle.

“They are coming. I mean the envelope is coming, get ready,” Riley said.

It was a horrific sight. The envelope started levitating and monsters started coming out of it. Riley gave a sign and everybody started attacking.

Nicole closed her eyes and felt the power. She jumped and did a backflip in the air, kicking a zombie. Dalton closed his eyes and felt the power. He grabbed one of the canons and bombed himself at a monster, punching him hard. Riley and Dantilda felt the power. They held hands, said a poem, and a light struck through the battlefield.

“Take this!!!” they shouted. The light struck all the monsters dead. All of them.

Chapter 20

“We did it!” Dantilda shouted. Riley smiled.

As they walked to the base, Riley thought of something. “You know what we can do if we win or lose or anything?” Riley asked.

Riley’s face lit up.

“Your fave, my fave, everybody’s fave: a pool party!”

Riley answered. Now everybody’s faces lit up.

“Come, let’s go, no time!” Riley said.

They went to Riley’s house instead of the base.

“DJ Dalton, you know what to do,” Riley smiled.

Dalton smiled and got to work.

“Dantilda, order the pizza and drinks, you know what I want, girl,” Riley said.

“Of course I do,” Dantilda answered.

She turned to work.

“Nicole, get the lights done,” Riley smiled.

Nicole nodded and ran to get the lights.

And that night was the best night of Riley's life.

"1, 2, 3, 4! turn the music up, we want some more!"

Dalton shouted.

Music turned on, so loud. Everyone was roaring, even other people joined the party! They all danced and sang and had a drinking contest. Splashing, roaring all over.

"Thanks," Dantilda thanked.

"For what?" Riley asked.

Dantilda smiled. "For teaching what is real power. True magic."

Riley smiled. "Thanks to you too. For helping me. And I learned the true power from you. I wouldn't have said that speech if it wasn't for you. I took one moment to look at you and knew exactly what to say," Riley whispered.

Dantilda smiled.

"Girls! Aren't you supposed to be having fun? What are you doing over here?" Nicole asked.

"Umm... nothing." Riley replied.

“Then join the party!” Nicole shouted as she grabbed Riley and Dantilda and pushed them into the pool.

“Hey! What did you do that for?” Riley asked.

Nicole laughed. “For fun!”

Riley burst out laughing too, splashing water at Nicole.

“Ok. Now, this is fun too!” Riley shouted, laughing.

Nicole smiled.

Now everyone learned. True power is always inside you. But it will only come out when you are inside the power.

When a strange letter appears, everything changes. No one knows what is happening, no one will know what will happen. But everyone has one question on their minds. Who was the mystery letter writer?



Riley walked in the magical world of Monster Wars. But, things had been bothering her all along. The good thing is, her imagination never stops.

Here's a note to you after you finished reading:

Guess who is the letter writer?

Tell your guess to Riley Ip. You can find her in Y4C or on the play structure.