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SPOILER EDITION!

This is the spoiler cheat sheet, which is basically questions submitted to me that contained spoilers, an upcoming scene, etc.

This only contains a little bit of information, but if people want more, I'll try putting something else together in the future. ☺ This is really an experiment.

Don't tell Mr. Blackbourne. ♥





A sneak peek at what's coming up in

The Academy: Forgiveness and Permission:

RAW AND UNEDITED, PLEASE FORGIVE TYPOS!

This is at the diner, which is up and running in book four.

We put the boxes of fruit down on the silver table. Luke found a knife and a chopping board. He placed them on the silver table. He placed me opposite of where North was stuffing his mixture into a several baking dishes. I finally recognized it as some type of meatloaf.

Luke picked up a strawberry, and chopped off the green bit. "We need them this thin, Sang," he said, slicing the strawberry. "Bananas, too. The apples, do like half this thin and half into chunks. Do the apples last, though. Start with strawberries."

I nodded and Luke stepped out of the way. He hovered over me, making me nervous as I picked up a strawberry, cutting off the green and started slicing.

When he was satisfied that I was doing it right, he clutched my hip, bringing his lips to my ear. "Perfect," he whispered. He backed off, winking at me and started sorting the other ingredients he needed on the table next to me.

Uncle caught my eye, letting me know he'd seen Luke getting close. He winked at me, grinning suggestively. He approved, and slightly encouraged this relationship. I felt he hardly knew me, but I remembered he also heard of me before he met me. I wondered how much the guys had told him. Did he know my parents were gone?

I was doing fine with the strawberries, grateful for something to do and excited at the same time. I was working with them! Would I do this all the time? I thought it would be incredible. Luke was there. North, as grumpy as he was, was in front of me and focused. I was thinking once he wasn't so tired and maybe calmed a little, this would be the best job ever.

And there was Silas and Nathan and Kota lurking around close by, too. Maybe it wasn't as fun as hanging out at the pool or playing video games together, but if we had to work and do a job, this seemed like a great thing to do. Was this what their life was like when they were at the Academy, too?

North had put his meatloaf into one of the ovens and washed his hands. When he finished, he was toweling off and watched me. I sensed his dark eyes on me and it had my insides rattling. I knew my fingers were shaking. I kept slicing, trying to focus.

North grunted. He slapped the hand towel onto the counter by the sink. "Sang, scoot over," he said, holding his hand out for the knife.

I blinked at him, my mouth open as he took the knife from me. "Why? I was doing fine."

"You're making me nervous. You're about to chop a finger off," he said.

Who was making who nervous? "I can do it."

"Just open the bananas or something," he said, picking up a strawberry and taking over my job.

I sucked in a breath, feeling humiliated. He wouldn't even let me cut strawberries. I shot a look at Luke, who met my eyes but shrugged, trying to offer a reassuring smile. He wasn't



going to intervene. Maybe he was afraid of angering North when he seemed grumpier than normal. Uncle had his back turned, doing something over the stove and staring at it. I didn't think he'd heard.

I sighed, making a grab for the bundle of bananas. I broke one off of the bundle.

Luke knelt by the silver table and fished out a dish from the shelves underneath. "Put the clean bananas here." He put another dish beside it. "Put the peels here. It'll make cleanup easier."

I nodded, turned the banana over in my hands and holding the bottom.

North's dark eyes narrowed on me. "Are you paying attention?" he asked.

What now? "Opening a banana."

"You've got it upside down."

I checked it. I was holding the banana stem side down. "Yes," I confirmed.

His eyes flared. "What are you doing?"

"Opening it," I said, tilting my head and moving my hands to the banana's bottom, pushing my fingers around the black nub end.

"Do you not eat bananas?" he asked. "You split it from the stem."

"No, you don't," I replied, pausing in what I was doing. My heart raced.

"Sang," he barked at me, dropping the knife hard on the table and snatching the banana from me. "You open a banana like this."

"I know how to open a banana, North," I barked back.

He flinched, but narrowed his eyes at me as he tried bending the stem of the banana. The banana bent, but the skin didn't split open. He grunted, tracing the edge of his fingernail along the rim and splitting the skin that way.

I smirked after him. "You've bruised your banana."

"You can cut that part off."

"But you took my knife," I said. "Will you please let me do my job? I can open a stupid banana."

"You were fucking around."

"I didn't even do it yet!" I flared my eyes at him. "You took it from me before I could open it."

"What are you squealing about?" Nathan asked, wandering in with a tray full of dishes. He placed it by one of the sinks, wiping his brow and turning to us. "What's wrong?"

"North won't let me open a banana."

Nathan raised an eyebrow. "Dude. Seriously?"

"She's doing it wrong," North, said. "She's getting back at me for last night or something."

"Good," Nathan said, grinning and turning to start up the hot water.

"What? No!" I said. "I was opening bananas. I'm not getting back at anyone."

"Then do it right," North said. He put down the banana he was holding and folded his arms over his chest. "Do it."

Nathan smirked at us, leaning against the sink with his hands behind his back. He was enjoying this! When I glanced over at Luke, he was doing the same thing, quietly enjoying the show. Uncle, too, was behind the counter, observing, his lips tilting on a smile.

I twisted my lips at North, embarrassed that he was making me feel like an idiot for something so small. Why was he being so mean? I snapped another banana from the bundle, held it stem side down, putting my fingers to the bottom black nub.



“I said do it right,” North barked, holding out his hand and reaching to take the banana from me.

I took a step back out of his reach. I glared at him, pinched the black end of the banana, and the peel split easily under my fingers. I pulled the peel away, revealing a clean banana without bending the stem or bruising. “I can open a stupid banana, North.” I held it out to him, showing what I’d done.

He paused, his mouth falling open. He zeroed in on the banana and then at my face. “Do it again.”

I stepped forward slowly, wondering if he was tricking me or was going to pop me on the thigh or somewhere else like the others seemed to do when I wasn’t doing something right. I snapped another banana from the bundle, held it stem side down, pinched the bottom and split the peel easily. I pulled the skin clean from the banana.

His eyes followed what I was doing, the glare suddenly gone and in its place genuine curiosity. “Where did you learn that?”

“Monkeys.”

His eyes widened. “What the hell do you mean?”

“It’s how monkeys open bananas.”

Nathan and Luke busted out laughing together, hands on their stomachs.

“Oh my fucking god,” Nathan said, wiping his eye. “Peanut, that’s awesome.”

“She just told you, North,” Luke said, beaming.

Uncle’s shoulders shook like he was laughing. He seemed pleased again. There was something else hidden under his quiet smile. It seemed like approval, like he expected the boys to be friends with someone like me.

North chuffed, shaking his head and moving back to cutting the strawberries.



***SPOILER LIST OF QUESTIONS!**

What Kota thought when meeting Sang:

Kota knew about Sang before he met her. He followed her for a few days before that night. He tried to cross paths casually while she was out on her walks, but she always heard him coming and would take a different path in the woods. She'd walk home if he got too close.

Sometimes she would climb a tree and sit quietly for a few hours. Kota watched her doing this.

Max is trained to jump on and sit on command. Kota was up that night, awake after an assignment, and happened to be looking outside. He watched her for like five minutes before he struck up the nerve and the plan to walk Max and go get her. He kept trying to talk himself out it.

It wasn't until he actually talked to her that he was completely smitten. He knew something was wrong. If he had seen bruises or visible marks on her, he wouldn't have let her go home at all. (Sang's mom was careful not to leave visible marks on her.)

About the gang:

When it used to be just Green and Blackbourne, Blackbourne was the liaison and Green was family lead. But now Kota's team lead and Blackbourne is still the liaison. There was a 'battle' at the boot camp for this position. It makes you wonder how Kota managed to beat out North, who did not go down lightly. 😊

Finer details:

The boy she sat next to on the bench, the one with the glasses, will come back in a big way in later books.

Rocky and Jay will filter in and out of the books, as will Karen, Danielle, Derrick, maybe a few others.

So will Dr. Roberts! As will other Academy members. Keep your eyes peeled.



With the following books, Sang starts to follow the boys home a lot more. It'll take time, but it's coming.

All of the boys were abused/abandoned in one way or another. All of them.

Is Sang going to get a definitive love interest or interest(s) as the series progresses?

The answer to this is actually at the A report in book four. This might be where some people will be super excited or I'm going to piss some readers off. ☺

But pay attention: Two Academy members are going to find the group that had the single bird in an all dog group. His answer hints at where this series is going.

There's also a *hint* in what he is saying as to what's coming up in the Academy universe, not just how it relates to Sang and this particular group. Is this enough to keep people re-reading the chapter several times? ☺

What's with the three black earrings in Gabriel's ear?

Each ring stands for a dead family member: mom, dad, and baby brother.

What does Dr. Green's app say?

It's Japanese for Green, pronounced Midori.

What's the necklace/pendant around Victor's neck?

It's a gift from his mother: A heart with a triangle shield. Keep your heart protected. Their family is rich, she didn't want to see him falling for girls who are only interested in their money.

What does the pendant around North's neck mean? The one with the Japanese writing?

It says "brother". Luke gave it to him when they were... twelve I think. ☺

What does Dr. Green say to Sang in class?

He's saying, "You make me happy. I am in love." He's flirting with her. She will figure it out later, but she won't say anything after the finals are finished by the end of the school year.



How can Dr. Green be a doctor at a young age?

He graduated with a doctorate and MD at the age of 17. (He had a lot of help with the Academy allowing him to test out early for classes, so he had a head start at an early age.)

He's currently doing a residency in conjunction with Dr. Philip Roberts.

What are the other guys' nicknames going to be?

Sang's relationship with the guys develops at different rates. Nicknames will happen at different times. I don't *know* exactly when all of them will crop up, because for some, I don't have the scenes written yet. I know what they will call her, but sometimes when that happens (book one or book twenty-three) is still unclear until it pops up.

She also starts to develop nicknames for them. So here's the upcoming list:

Just a warning, these might also change! Something may pop up between now and when I think it is going to happen. The boys are surprising. The boys sometimes come up with crazy situations, so these are just on my list as of now.

North: Sang Baby/North Star

Silas: Aggele Mou or just Aggele (My Angel or Angel)/Superman

Kota: Ten (When he counts heads within Academy ranks, he's One, the others are a specific number, Sang's last so she's 10. Also for 10 toes and 10 fingers. He loves counting so go figure. ☺)/52 (Inside looks like a heart, depends on the font.)

Nathan: Peanut/Honey

Gabriel: Trouble/Meanie

Luke: Forever/Always

Victor: Princess/Mr. Victor

Dr. Green: Pookie/Dr. Sean (This may change. Sean's fault.)

Mr. Blackbourne: Miss Sorenson/Mr. Blackbourne ☺

By the way, when Kota's stressed, he's counting. He'll drop his head or cover it, and he starts counting off numbers. Normally sixty so he gives himself a minute. Sometimes it is a hundred or however long it takes. It's how he allows himself to stress and then gets over it to do his job.



Languages

The boys know different languages, and some plan to learn a language later, they just haven't had the chance yet. These are the ones they know right now.

Sign language: Mr. Blackbourne, Luke, Kota, Dr. Green

French: Gabriel

Greek: North, Silas

German: North (a little)

Japanese: Dr. Green, and Victor is learning.

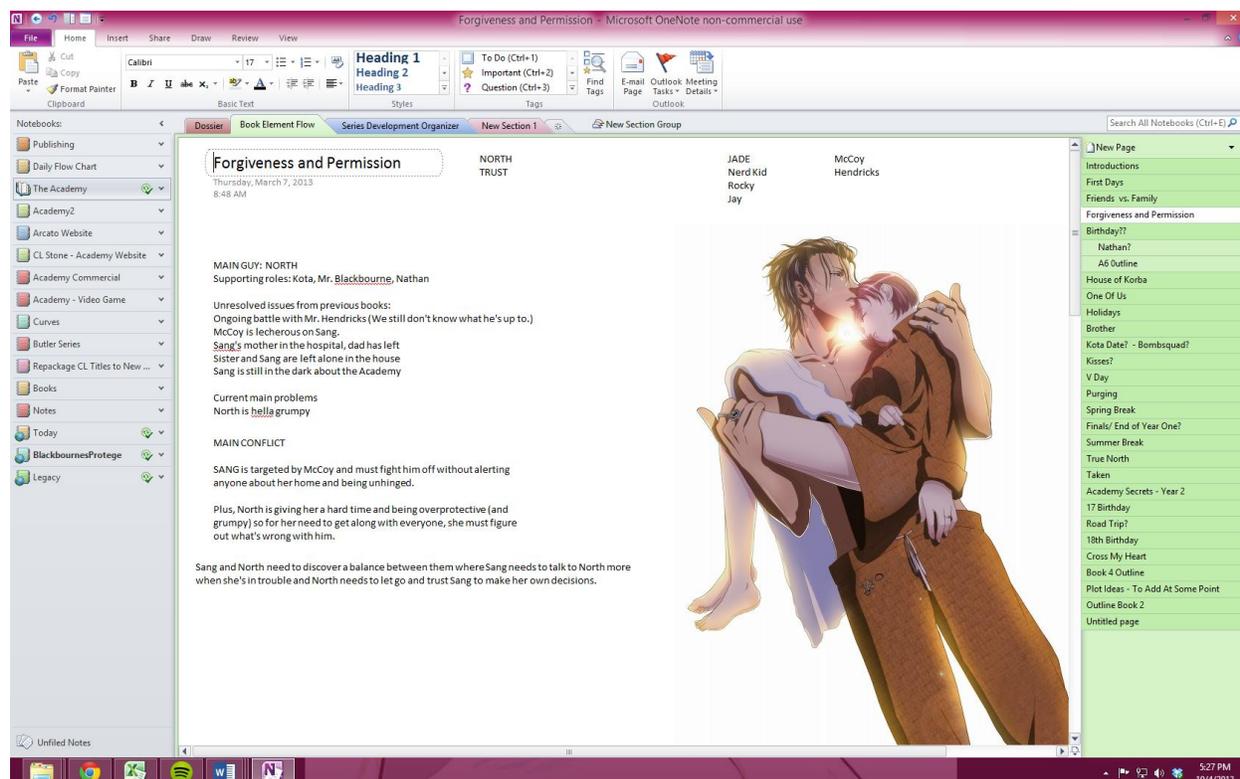
Russian: North (a little)

Spanish: Nathan



And now: A sneak peak at the inside look at the secret innards of my notebooks!

I keep a running dossier on all the guys, of the books I'm writing, etc. This is a quick look at what book four is going to look like. And yes, I use images from different anime series or sometimes live action pictures to help describe what I'm thinking.



You can download this here so you can get a closer look:

<http://clstonebooks.com/images/SneakPeek.png>

And just for a bonus, book five: This is the only hint I'm giving so far. Bug me closer to the release date and I may share a sneak peek at that book's file. 😊





Bonus!

For people who don't want to wait for the answers, here's the most common that get ask that's basically spoiler for the ENTIRE series. If you wanted a hint but still wanted to keep these major spoilers a mystery, this is where you want to stop.

If' you're okay with spoilers, PLEASE don't tell anyone. ☺



Are we allowed to ask spoilers?

Yes, but please don't pass these on the Facebook or in reviews or anywhere. Be kind to others reading!

Like say for instance... Who does she choose?

Did you really want her to choose one?

Does she enroll at the Academy?

She will go through the application process and will pass.... eventually. But she's already within the Academy realm simply by being adopted. She'll be taken care of forever.

Do the rest of the boys go batshit crazy when she chooses one?

Why choose?

Does her step mom come back?

Yes.

Does Rocky appear in the next books?

Yes. He's in book four and several books going forward. Maybe not in every book, but he will be around.

Does Sang get her first kiss?

Eventually. Her first on the lips kiss doesn't appear for another couple of books.

Is it as sweet as Kota, Nathan and Victor wanted it to be?

It's unexpected but she'll remember it forever. She will also have a lot of other firsts.

Do any other girls come into play?

Into the story in general? I mean, yes, there's girls around, but they don't become part of the group or anything. The closest you'll see any girl ever get to Sang is Karen. There are reasons for this.

If you mean if the guys will get other girlfriends, refer to the "who does she choose" question.



I feel like all the boys love her, but some more than others. In a young adult series are you comfortable with entertaining the idea of them all just being together? She loves each and together they all kind of make the perfect guy--are you entertaining that idea?

Straight answer: This is a reverse harem story. Nine guys and one girl and the circumstances of how this comes about. A very long story. ☺ This is a popular theme in Japan, and I've enjoyed those stories. I've toyed with this idea for a while but this is a completely self-indulgent series.

So the truth is, you can choose your favorite if you really want... but you'll never have to. They'll always be there.

These are all the spoiler questions I got! If you asked a question and don't see it here, but don't want to see the spoilers sheet, just email me privately at clstone@arcatopublishing.com

Have a request? Complaint? Want to ask more? Email me!