

The Titans

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I ran as fast as I could, passing by the rubble of what was left of my city. The titans were near, and I had to hide. I spotted a dark alley up ahead. I ran, tripping over a sign. “Mayde Elementary” I read. That used to be my school. I hid and took a deep breath. You may be wondering what was going on. Boy do I have a story for you!

It was a rainy day. Not one person could be seen on the streets of Starling City. I was in bed, trying to sleep when something hit my forehead. I looked up and realized the roof was shaking. And then the ground was too. I could hear screams erupt everywhere. I ran to my window, just in time to see the ground split apart and lava burst from the cracks. A hand stretched out from the cracks, then 5, and then 20! Men, as big as mountains, lined the sky. They stood, quietly. And then came the one biggest of them all. He said something to them, in an unknown language, and these Titans grunted back. They turned and began to destroy everything in their way. I had read enough books to know that staying hidden was better. The people of Starling didn’t. My parents had died trying to get out. I was an only child. Now I was the last one left. This brings me back to the alley.

I looked at the walkie talkie in my hand and played with the buttons, hoping to hear someone reply back. Silence. I looked out the alley to make sure the coast was clear and ran home. Tomorrow’s a new day, and I would try again. It was late at night when I heard it. There was static and low voices. Was I dreaming? I rubbed my eyes and searched for the source. My eyes fell on my walkie talkie. I ran to grab it, tripping on the way. “Hello!” I screamed. “Hello, my name is Ethan. I’m stuck in Starling City. It’s just me. Hello! Anyone?” I sighed and put down the walkie talkie. Another false alarm. “Hello, this is Chase Einstein.” My prayers had been accepted! After talking to this Chase, who lived in the next city, it had been decided. I had to escape to the ends of the city and meet Chase there. I gathered everything I needed, the smile not leaving my face. I could finally leave!

I slowly crept through the shadows. Thankfully it was still dark. As I turned a corner, I froze. The Titans were there! Although their numbers had started to go down, there were still about 10 left. I turned to go another way. I had been walking for 30 minutes now and I could see the city border. “That was easy!” I thought. There, by the edge of the fence, I could see Chase. I ran and yelled his name, excited to see a human after so long. Bad mistake, I heard a roar and turned around, and saw the army of Titans stomping their way through the city. I yelled and ran to Chase. “No time to talk kid! Get in!” he yelled. I jumped into his car and we zoomed out of

there. I turned in my seat to look behind me. The Titans were left behind. ‘Hi, my name is Ethan,’ I said, holding out my hand. Chase looked at me and laughed. ‘I know kid, we talked. Remember?’ I nodded and looked out the window. ‘Where are we going?’ I asked. ‘Somewhere safe.’

I felt someone shaking me. ‘Wake up. You’ll want to see this!’ I opened my eyes and looked around. It was dark and I could barely see anything. When my eyes finally focused, I saw Chase press a button on his car and all of a sudden the ground began to shake. ‘Not more Titans!’ I yelled. Chase laughed, shaking his head. Suddenly, a building came out of the ground. ‘Woah, this is cool!’ I said. Chase then drove into the building and parked. ‘Welcome to the safe house’ We got out and went through the doors. My eyes widened. There were hundreds of people here! ‘What is this place?’ I asked. ‘This was a safehouse built by the government in case of situations like this. It is meant to keep everyone who can get here safe. We can’t destroy these Titans, but these titans will soon die. We are going to rebuild our cities.’ This was the coolest thing I had ever seen. I felt like I was in a movie. Chase took me to where all the other kids were.

All of a sudden, the safehouse began to shake. ‘The Titans have come!’ someone yelled. Everybody started screaming and running around. I tried to find Chase in the crowd but I couldn’t see him. The Titans were picking up everyone and eating them. I looked up at them, still not believing they were this big. I ran as fast as I could to get out of the building. As soon as I felt the fresh air outside, something grabbed me. I turned thinking it was Chase, but all I could see was a strong metallic arm. I looked up and made eye contact with the Titan. I began to scream and kicked my legs, hoping he would let go of me. The Titan lifted me and brought me near his mouth. ‘I don’t want to die!’ I screamed. No one listened. The Titan dropped me into his mouth. I kept falling and falling in the Titans pitch black body. All of a sudden, I felt something shake.

‘Ethan sweetie, wake up. It’s time for school. You’re going to be late.’ My eyes popped open and I took a deep breath. It was all a dream. I was alive and safe.

Then the ground began to shake.