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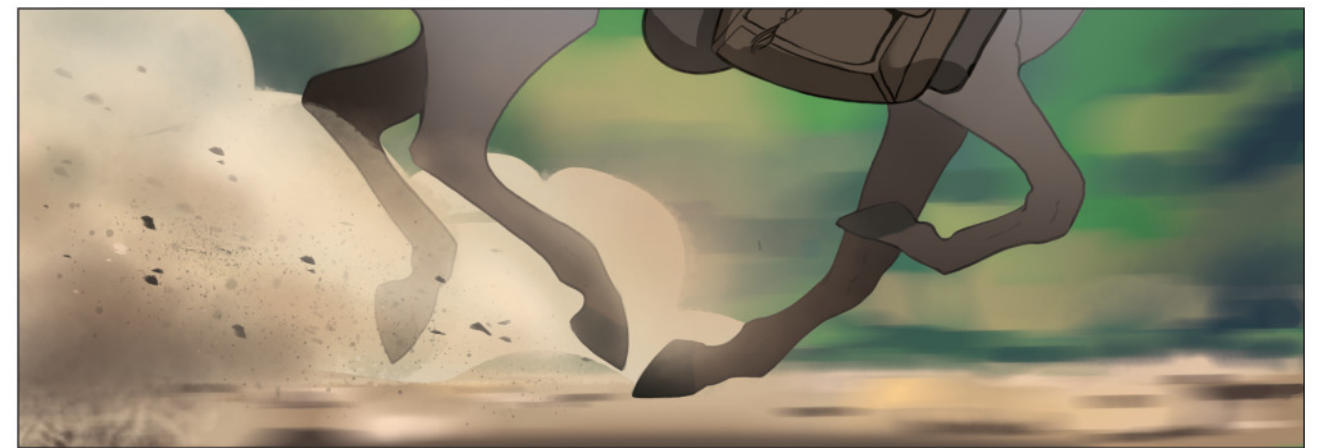
Lilies from Basilia



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STOP!



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cough



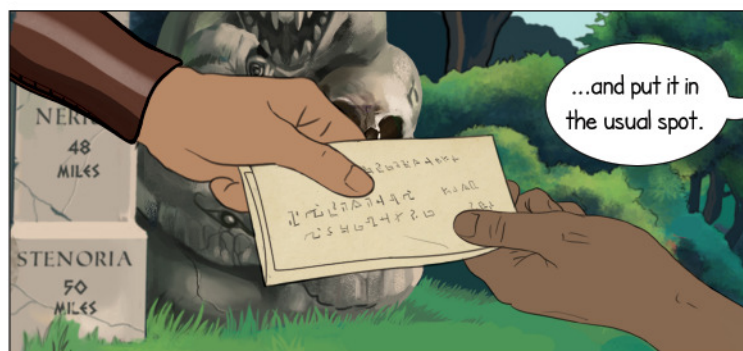
Rejoice!
Need any letters
delivered?



Any chance
you're going to
Nerium?

I sure am!

Then take
this...



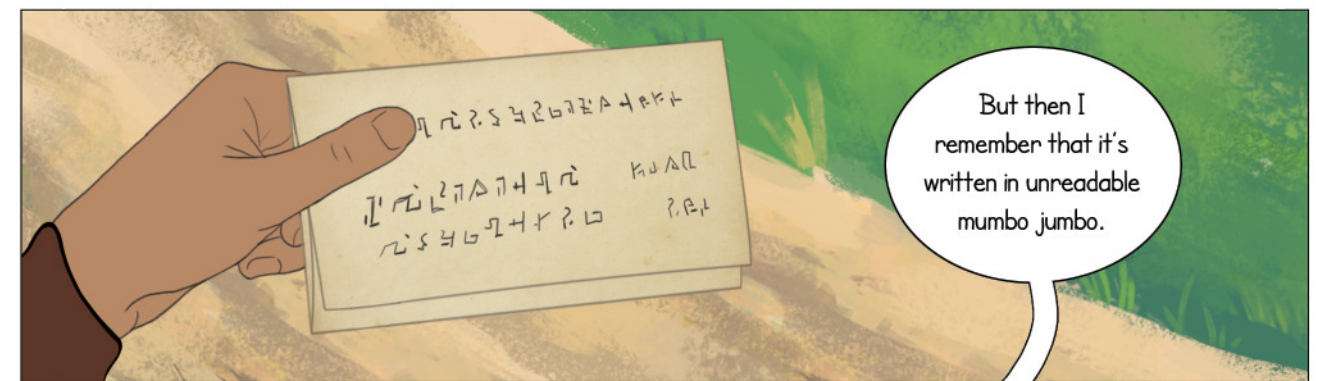
...and put it in
the usual spot.



Ah, yes. Behind
the next creepy
statue that I find
on the path...

sigh

Seriously, sometimes
I just want to leave your
letters in the nearest
posthouse.



But then I
remember that it's
written in unreadable
mumbo jumbo.



You show no respect
for old cultures, do you? Not
even for a language that was
spoken by your own ancestors
long before they started
building cities!



Besides!-

I would gladly translate it to anyone who asks. Too bad I'm not welcome anywhere near your settlements OR a posthouse.

Nonsense! I saw a whole tribe of satyrs in the marketplace today trying out our finest wines! But since you live in the woods, I guess it's only fair to leave your unreadable scribbles on the dirt path. A posthouse might seem a little too modern.



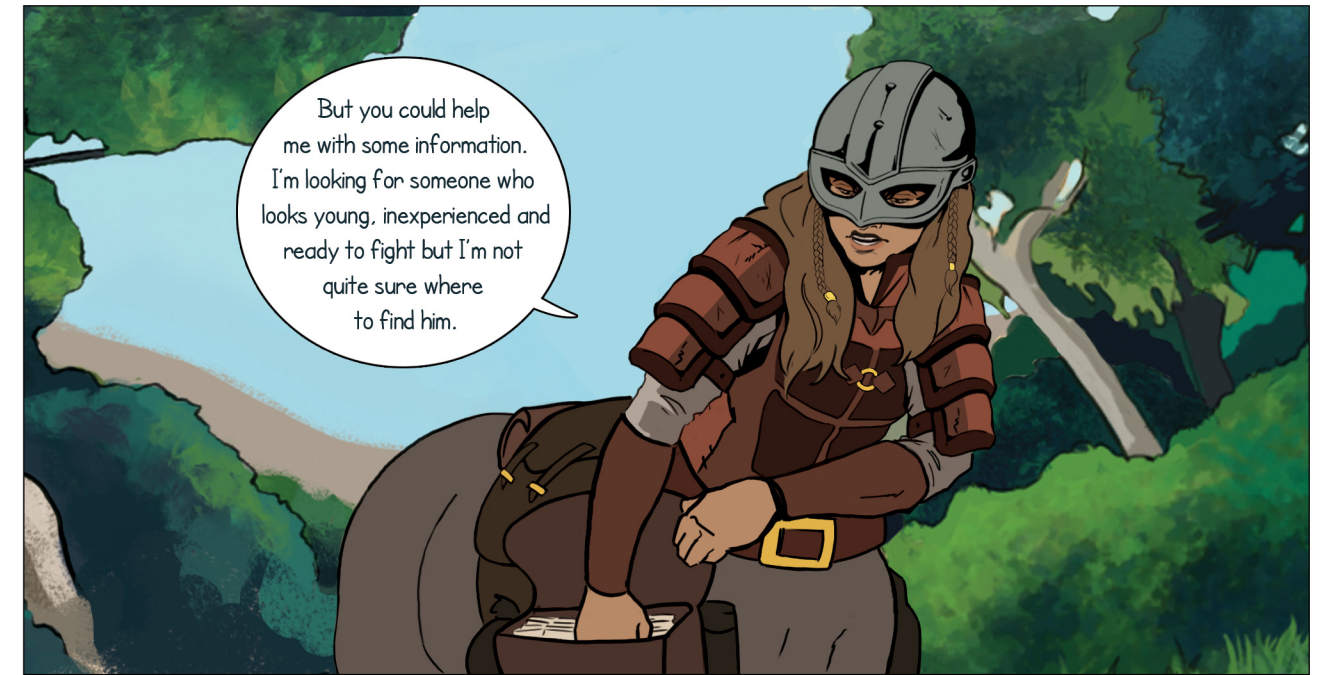
Hmph!



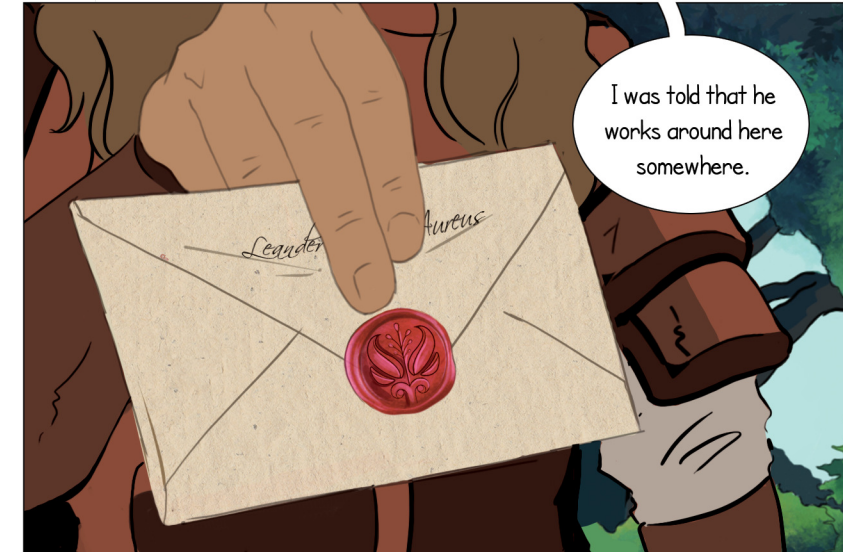
Here, for your trouble.



Oh no, there's no need for that.



But you could help me with some information. I'm looking for someone who looks young, inexperienced and ready to fight but I'm not quite sure where to find him.



I was told that he works around here somewhere.



The red lily...



Bearer of bad news! Throw this away before it brings ruin to someone's life!



Ruin?!



Military training is one of the most honorable duties a citizen of Basilia has to complete! And you would be wise to remember that the same military kept us safe when all chaos broke loose!



So... Considering that you've been wandering through this forest for the past 140 years doing **nothing**, I'm sure you've probably noticed some newcomers.



I'm wise enough to ignore your impudence and help you out on your quest, since I can't reason with you and it would be a shame to waste your precious time.



You Centaurs always seem to be in a hurry, which isn't surprising for a kind that can't even outlive half my age.



There's a group of construction workers renewing some old houses to the west. If anyone looks fit enough for your army then it's probably one of them.



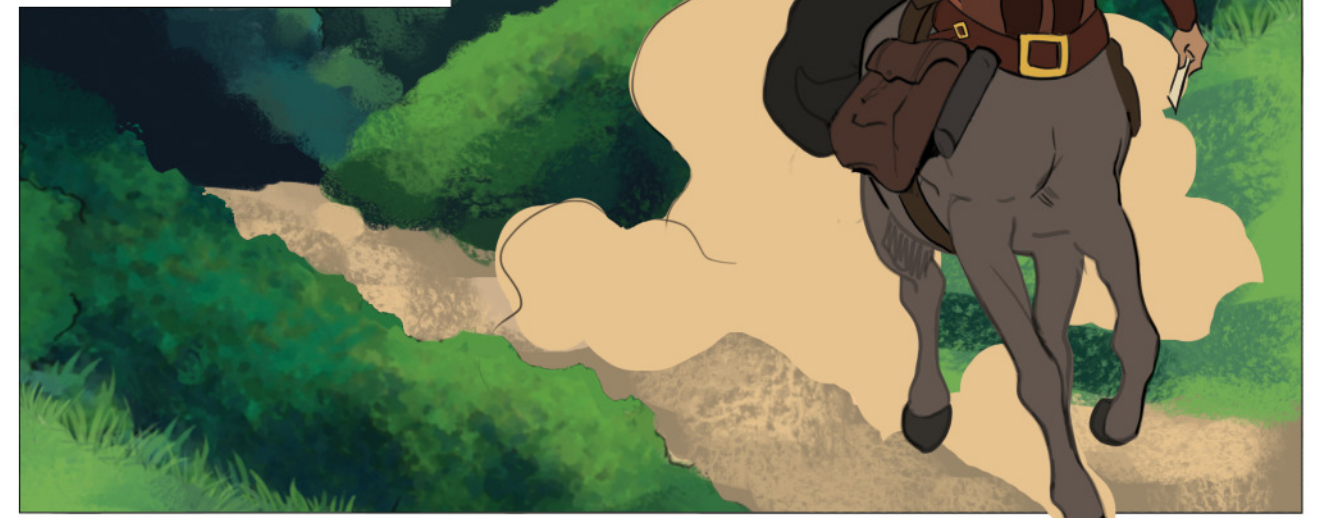
I see... Well then, since I have no time, I'll be on my way. I will deliver your letter, right after I find Leander.



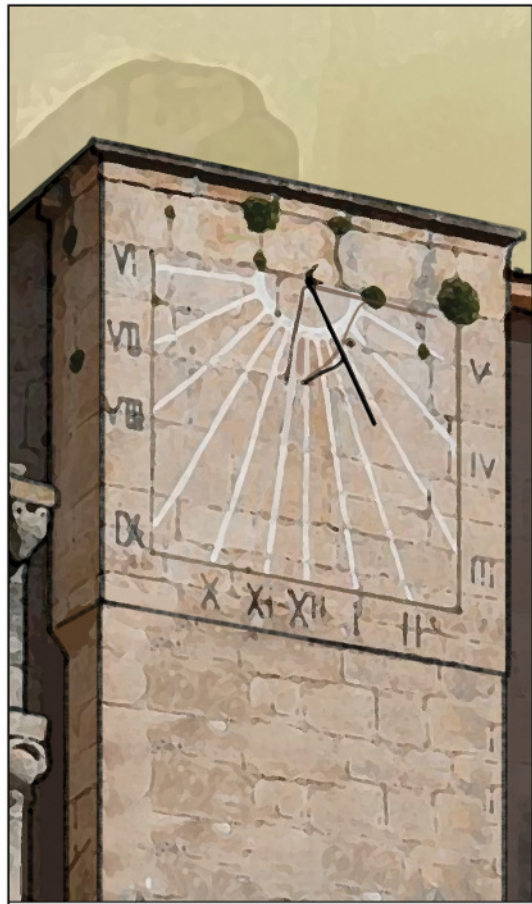
There are things in this world that can't be changed by an army. Don't do something you will regret later on.



And do what, exactly? Hide in the forest like a bunch of cowards?

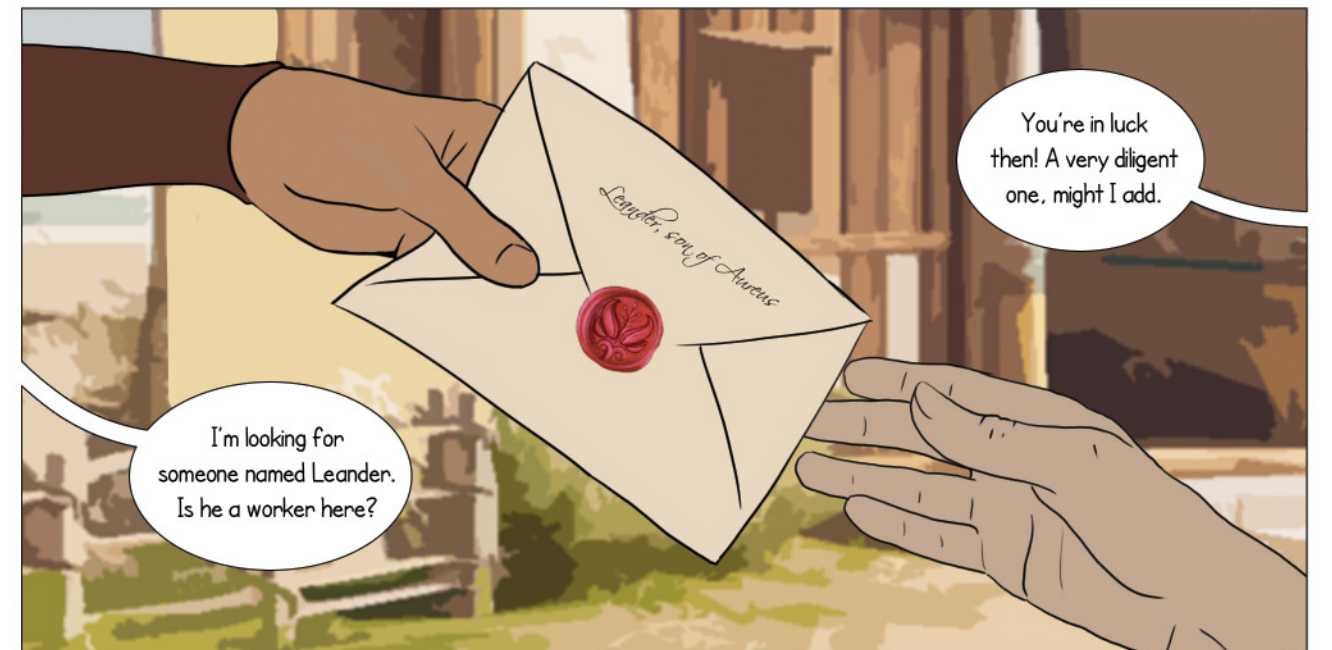






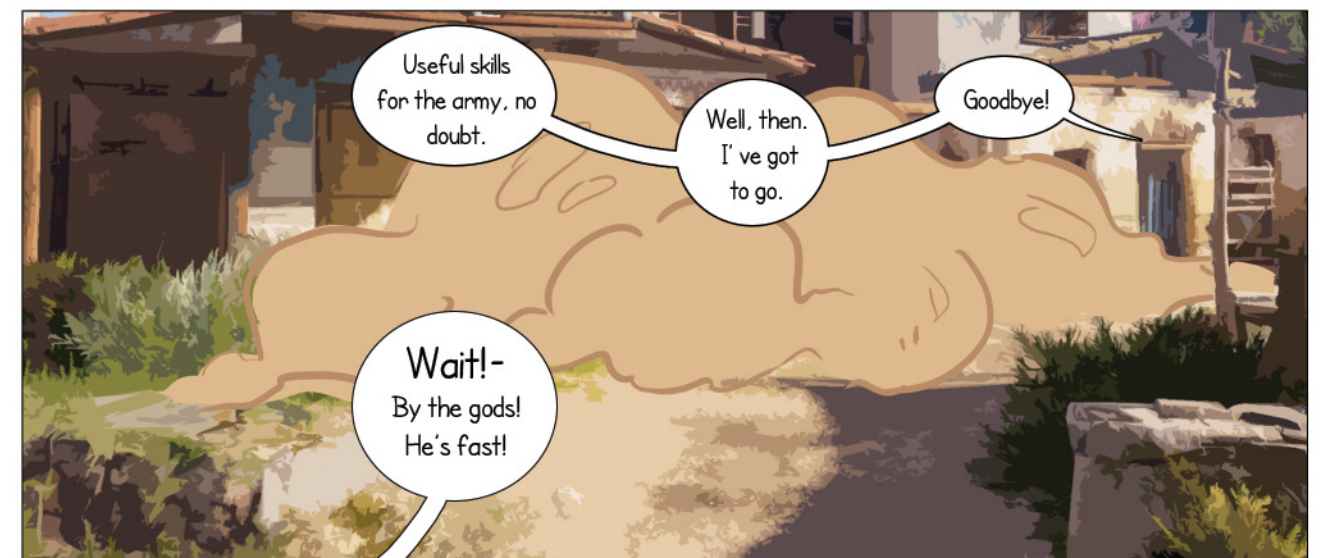
Welcome to my estate. Is there anything you need? Some water or food? Or some wine, perhaps?

Thank you for the hospitality, sir, but I am in a hurry.



You're in luck then! A very diligent one, might I add.

I'm looking for someone named Leander. Is he a worker here?

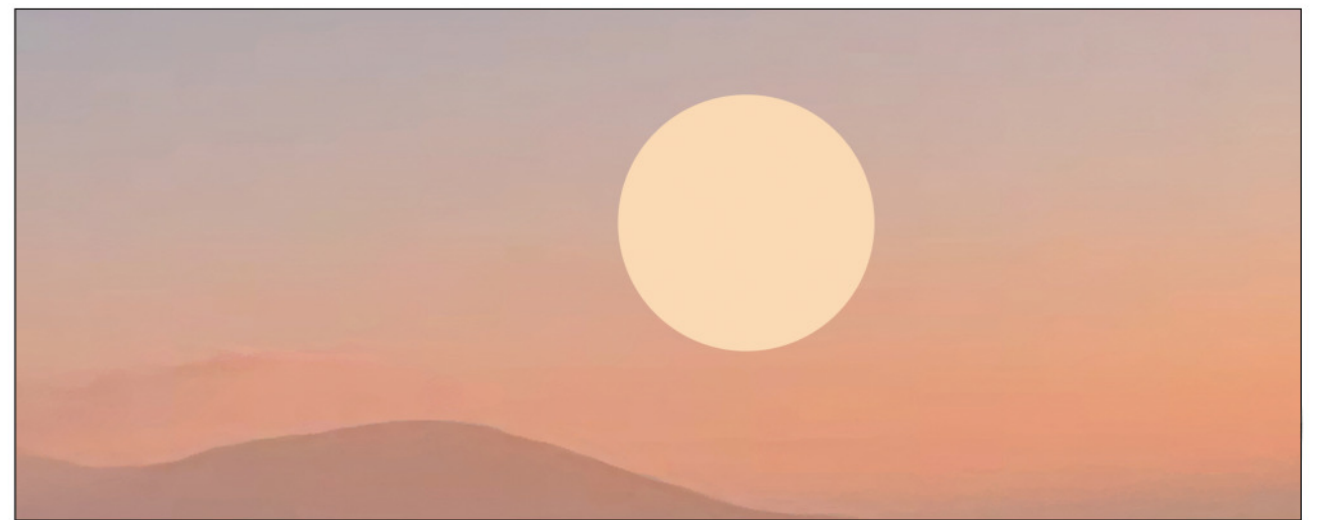
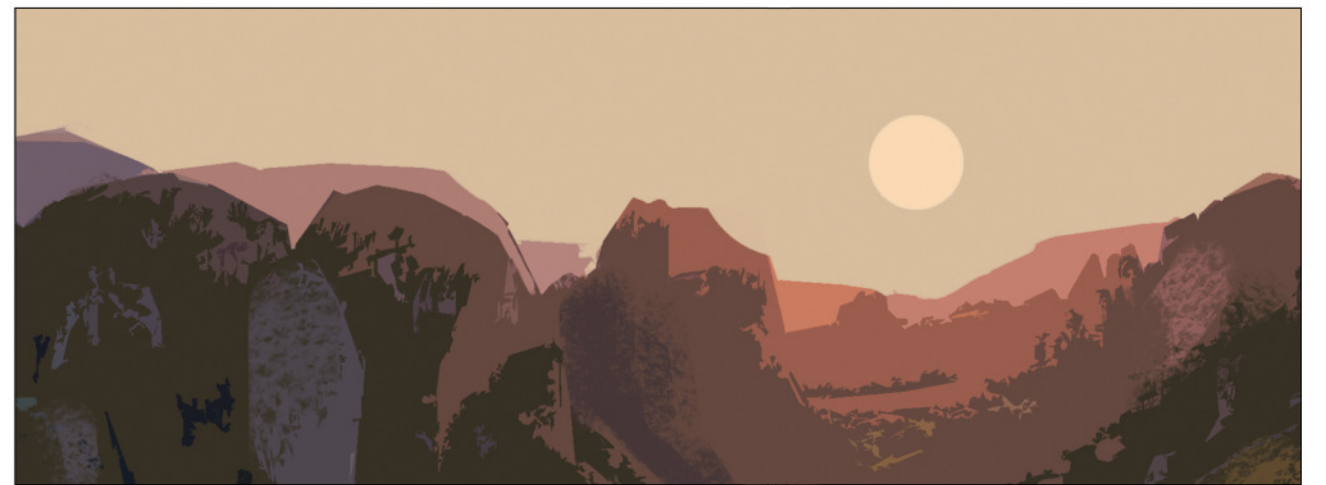
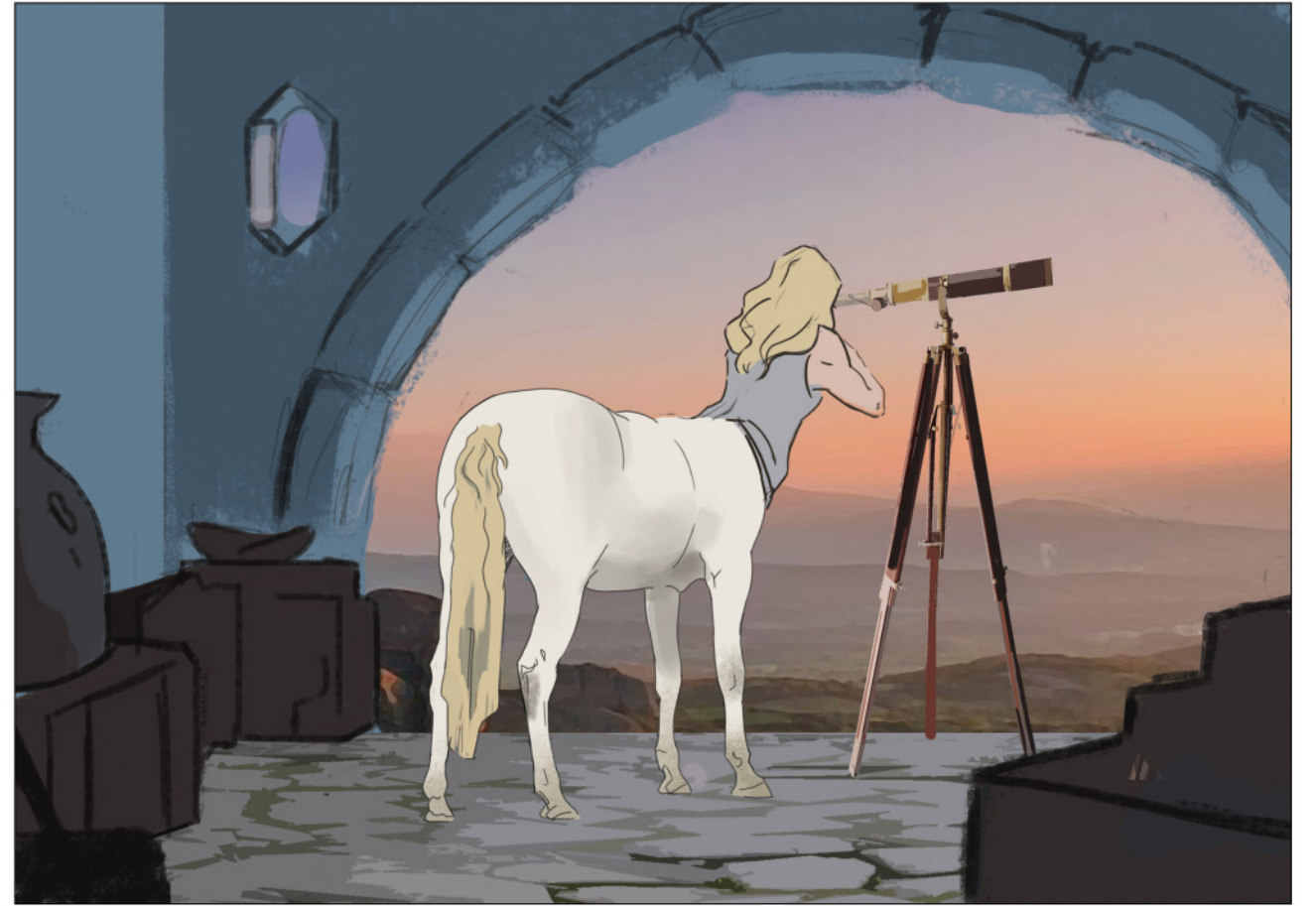


Useful skills for the army, no doubt.

Well, then. I've got to go.

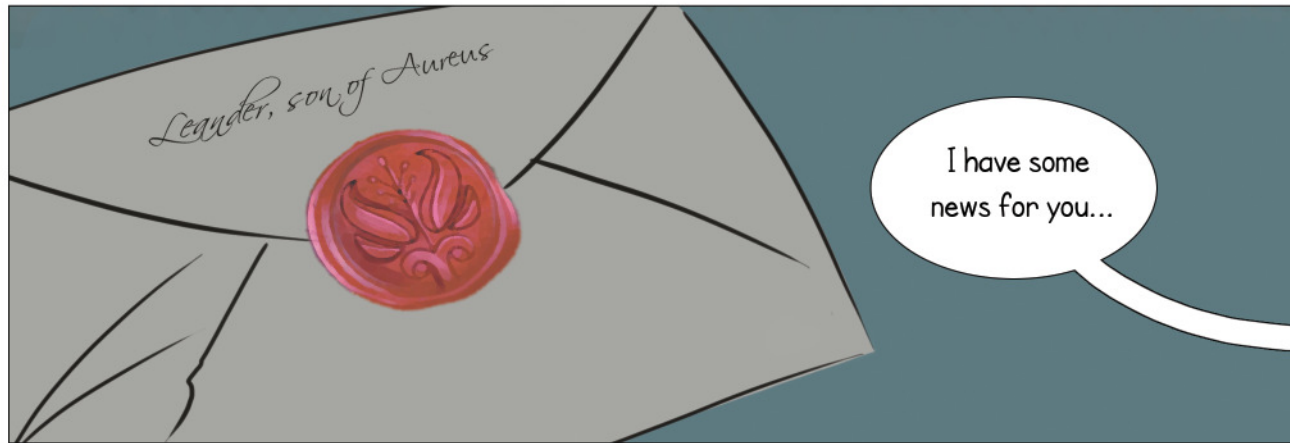
Goodbye!

Wait!- By the gods! He's fast!





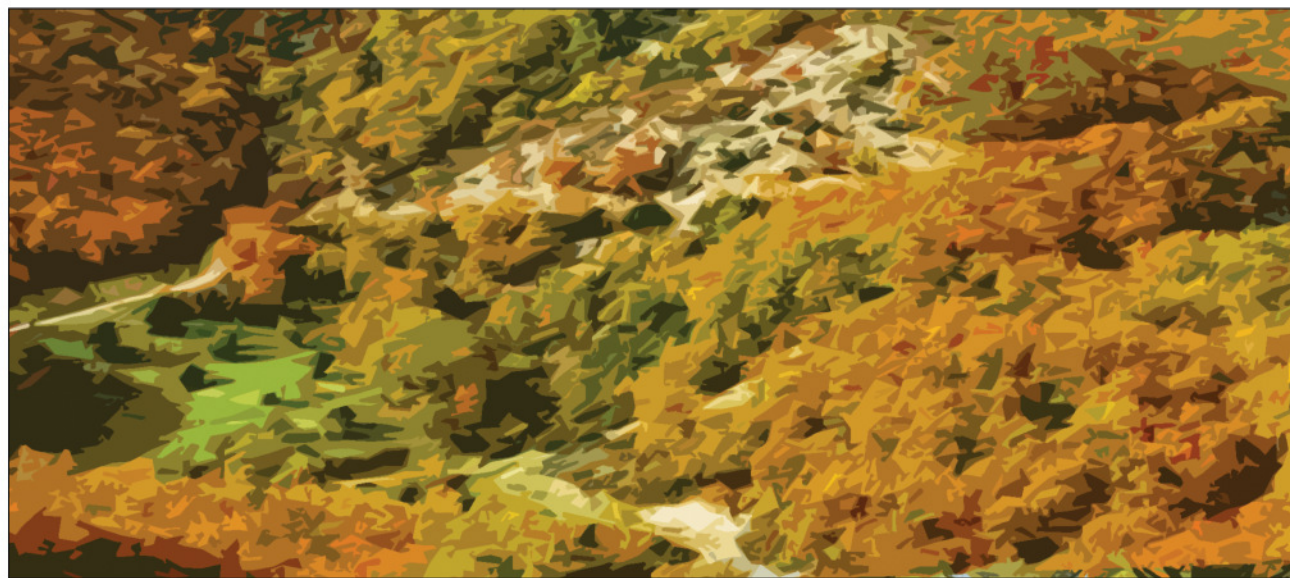
Leander? We need to talk.



Leander, son of Aureus
I have some news for you...



...that will change your life forever.





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Nerium

Stenoria

Basilia



