

A stylized blue face with a spiral eye and a jagged mouth. The face is set against a grey background. The eye is a black spiral, and the mouth is a jagged, open shape. The face is drawn with thick black outlines.

chapter 9: double Agent

INT. SORA'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Kari and Halo sit on the living room couch. Kari fidgets nervously, while Halo reads a new book, "Shamans in Love."

HALO

Your fidgeting is distracting.

He turns the page.

KARI

How can you just sit here, reading smutty novels at a time like this?

HALO

What do you mean?

KARI

I mean it's almost time for Super Yinaku to make a move on Sora, and she's going out with this Auron guy. Zanom and Ken still aren't back from Sol yet, so we're operating on half-capacity. Masa and Jaina are still on the loose, and...

HALO

Calm down, Kari.

Halo puts the book down.

HALO

I have full faith that we can trust Zanom and Ken to get back in time to stop Super Yinaku. We just need to be patient.

KARI

We're running out of time on that.

HALO

By the way, you have exquisite taste in romance novels.

KARI

What do you mean?

HALO

I got this from your belongings.

KARI

Halo!

HALO
Have you finished it yet? I don't
want to give away the ending for
you if you haven't.

KARI
Yes, but that's hardly the point.

The door opens, as Sora and AURON, 28, walk in.

Auron wears a dark suit and a tie. He sports groomed black hair and brown eyes. There is nothing particularly distinct about his appearance.

SORA
Oh! I didn't realize you guys were
still waiting up for us.

HALO
It's all right; we were just going
to take a long walk.

Halo's eye glimmers as he stares at Auron for a moment.

KARI
We were?

Halo nudges her.

KARI
We were! Yes, we'll be back in a
bit. I hope you two have a
wonderful time.

Halo and Kari walk out of the apartment.

Sora begins to play with Auron's tie.

SORA
Now that the cats are away...

AURON
The mice will play. I like the way
you think.

Auron chases Sora into another room in the back of the apartment.

EXT. SINAI TEMPLE OF KIGOKU - NIGHT

Kari and Halo walk up to the Sinai Temple of Kigoku.

KARI
What was that all about back there?

HALO
You haven't picked up on it yet?

KARI
Picked up on what?

HALO
It only took me a moment just
feeling his energy.

KARI
You mean we just left her with...

HALO
Yup.

KARI
Halo! He'll kill her!

HALO
We need Zanom to be born, remember?

KARI
That all goes down the tubes if...

JAINA (O.S.)
Zanom dies in the womb?

Kari and Halo whip around to find Jaina floating in midair.

JAINA
Don't worry; he doesn't know who
she is.

KARI
What?

JAINA
I didn't tell Yinaku who Zanom's
mother is. He thinks he's screwing
around with just a core member of
your team for his own amusement.

HALO
Why are you helping us?

JAINA
I think the better question is,
"Why did I send a message to Zanom
and Ken to return by tonight?"

KARI
You're sabotaging Yinaku!

JAINA

I have my issues with him. That's all you need to know. By the way, I've hidden all six of the Kami pearls in the altar pool. All you have to do is shove him in. That should destroy the bastard.

KARI

I'm sensing some daddy issues...

JAINA

I know things that would turn your perceptions of the "brilliant mastermind" upside-down and leave you scratching your heads.

HALO

Where's Masa?

JAINA

I sent him to make a phone call to Auron to get him over here in about five minutes. Just relax until then. When they come, just pretend like we've been fighting.

INT. SORA'S BEDROOM - CONTINUOUS

Auron and Sora lie under the sheets. Their clothes are strewn around the room. They kiss passionately.

JAINA (V.O.)

In just five minutes, I will have undone his super-elaborate master plan.

Auron's cell phone rings. He reaches out to answer it.

SORA

No, baby! Let it go to voicemail.

AURON

(over the phone)

Understood. I'll be there right away.

Sora sulks.

AURON

I'm sorry, Honey. Important business. I need to get to the office right away. Someone's trying to break in.

SORA

Go. Whatever.

AURON

I'll call you when I'm done.

SORA

Okay.

Auron kisses Sora on the cheek.

EXT. SINAI TEMPLE OF KIGOKU - EARLY MORNING

Jaina poses in her fighting stance.

JAINA

It's time. Get ready.

A small energy beam pierces through Jaina's back and out her chest. She falls limp to the ground. Super Yinaku and Masa stand behind her.

SUPER YINAKU

Traitor. You're use to me has expired.

Jaina coughs up blood as her eyes turn blank white.

SUPER YINAKU

Now serving number 2.

FADE TO BLACK.