

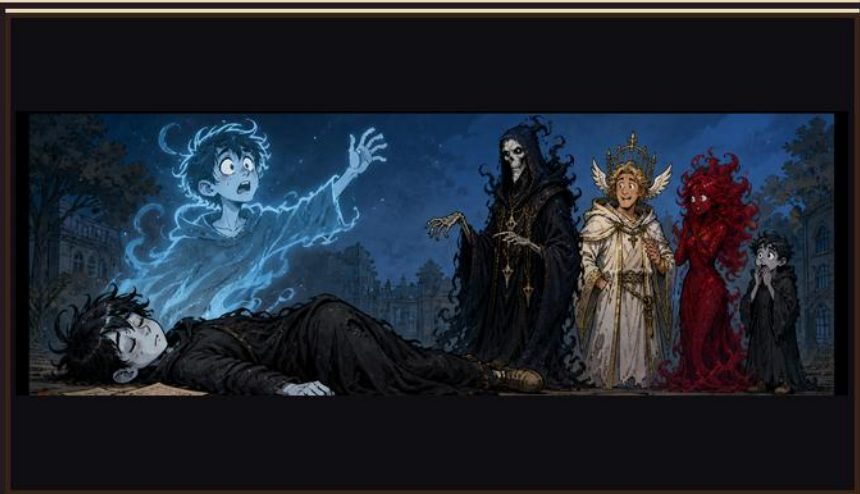
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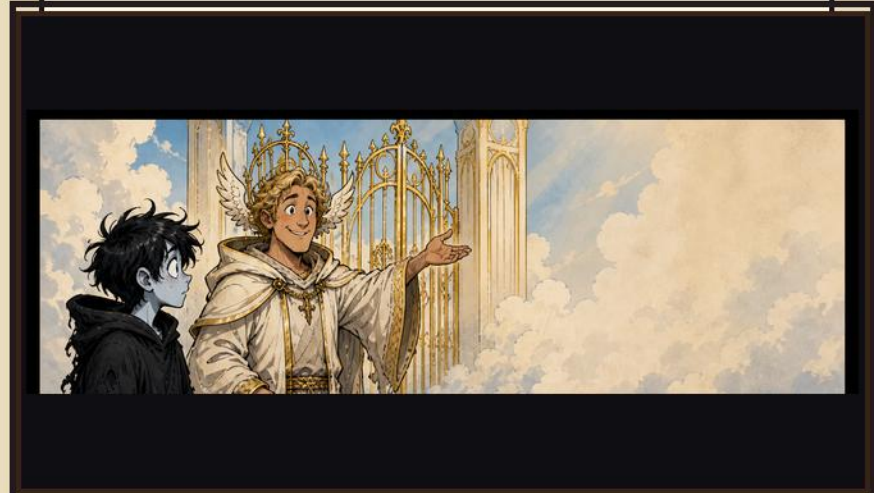
The story of Hein, the clumsiest reaper in the reaper-verse



Hein worked hard at school... right up until the day a flying projectile changed everything.



HEIN
Why can I see my own body?



At the angel gate, Peter had a job waiting for him.

PETER
You're going to reaper school. Discipline first. Respect always.



TEACHER
First exercise: harvest the soul of that fish.

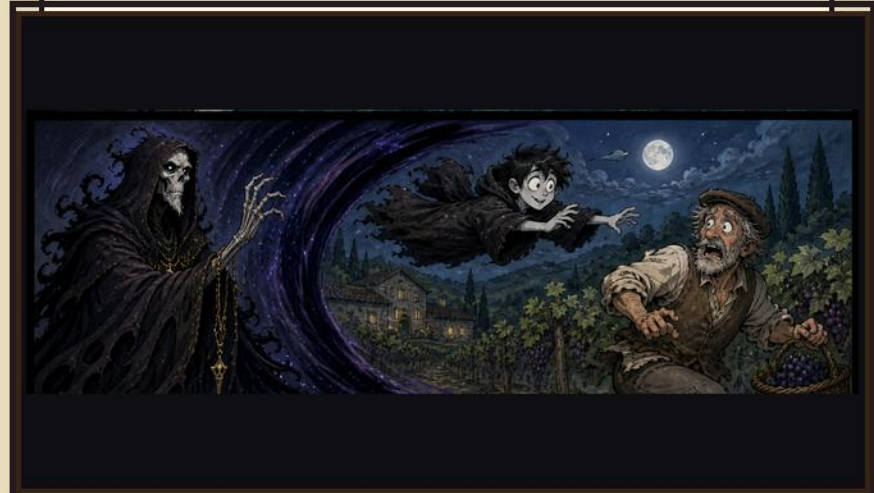
HEIN
With a corkscrew?



Hein fell through the fishbowl, missed the fish, and slapped the water instead.



The fish’s soul floated happily into a vast pond.



TEACHER
Find the soul in the vineyard.

Hein chased an old man, pulled a cork, and threw it like a champion. The teacher did not agree.



HEIN
Nanananaaaa!

TEACHER
Expelled.



Back in his body, Hein kept going to school by day—and reaping in his sleep.



TEACHER
Your target is George.

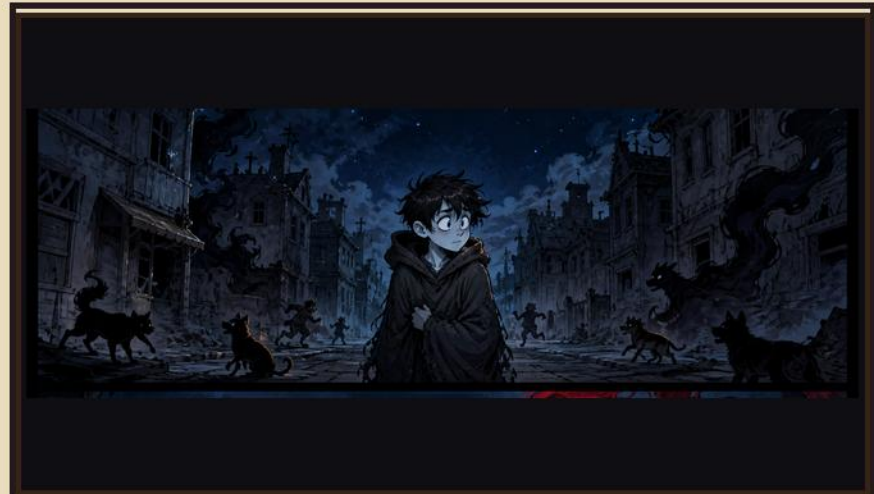


Hein tripped, frightened the workers, and flew straight at the wrong-looking man.

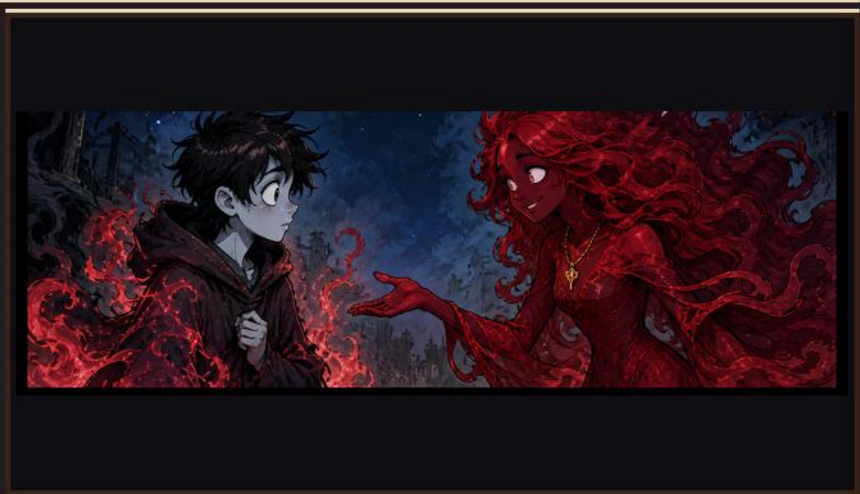


Then a drainpipe sucked him in and fired him across the site like a pinball.

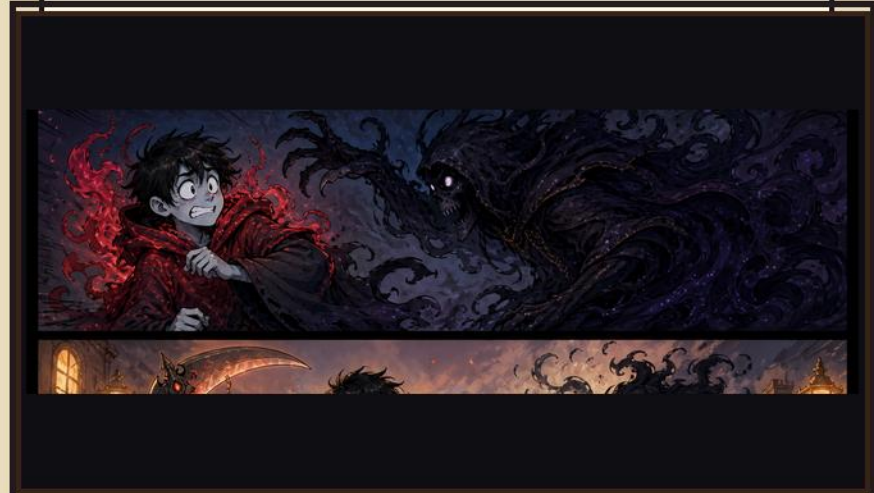
HEIN
That was not in the lesson plan!



One night, Hein awoke in a city without streetlights, filled with frightened shadows.

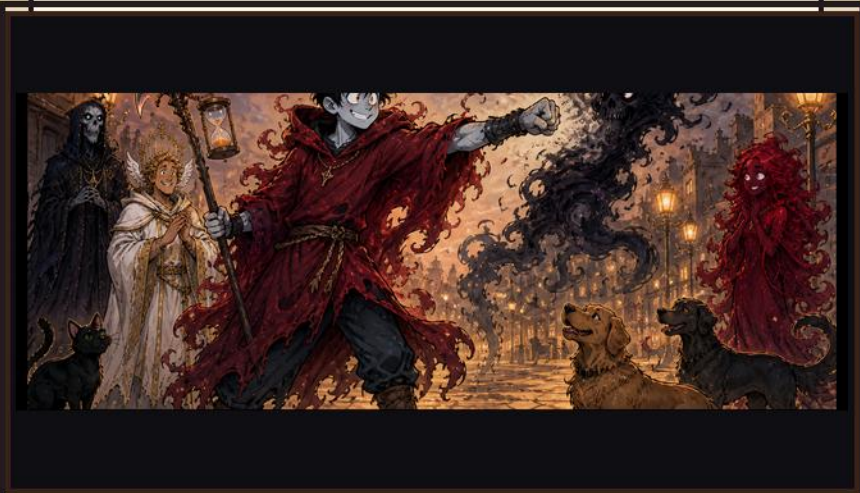


RED SHADOW
Look closely. The troublemaker is not the whole town.



Hein tried to seize the troublemaker—but fear seized him first.

His cloak turned red. A scythe appeared. One brave punch ended the unrest, and the lights came on.



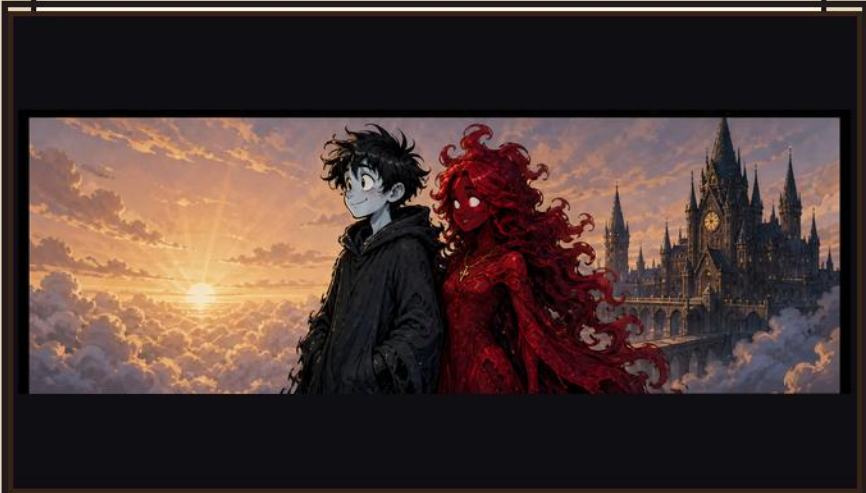
HEIN
I... listened.



In class, the other students stood and applauded.



TEACHER
You are now a master reaper—of souls in need.

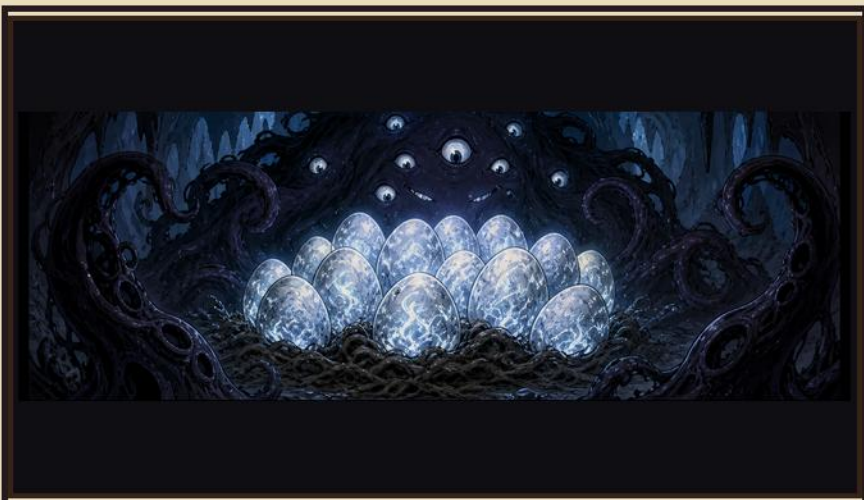


Hein had learned the secret: power is useless without trust, respect, and attention.

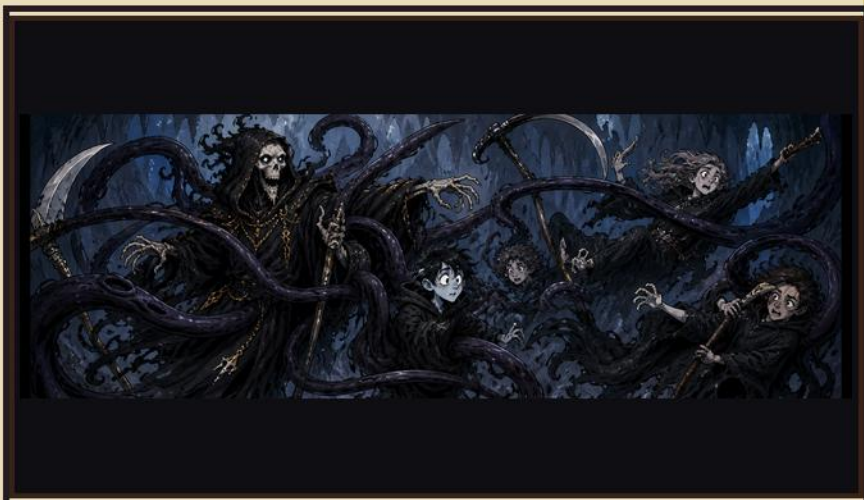
RED SHADOW
You were never alone.



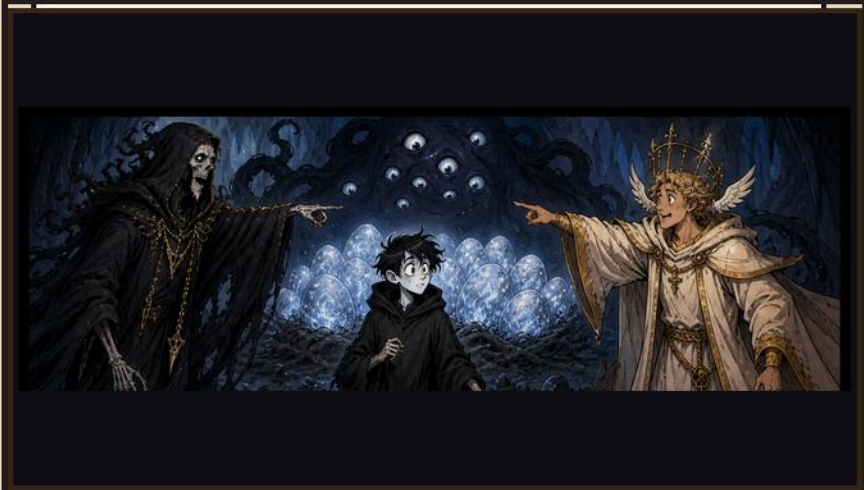
HEIN
Then I'll make sure no one else is.



His toughest task arrived: a nest of Boogity-Boogity eggs, guarded by a many-eyed monster.

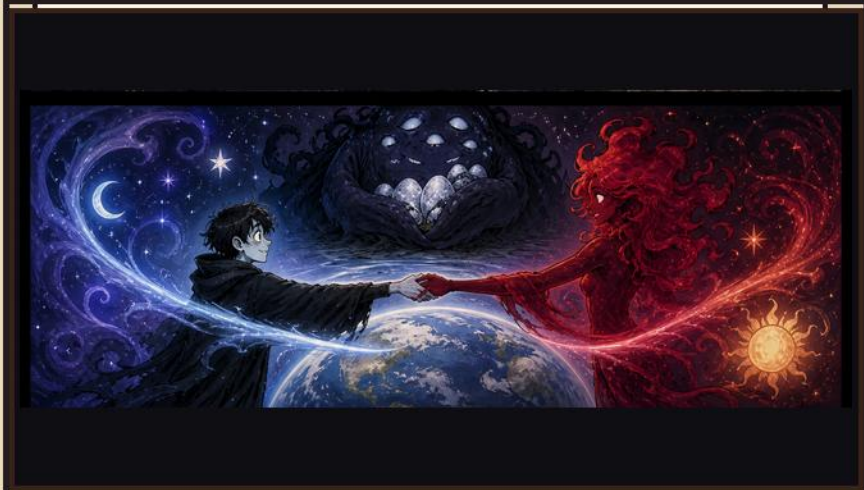


Tentacles dragged Hein and the teachers into darkness. Their scythes could not break free.



TEACHERS
Destroy the eggs!

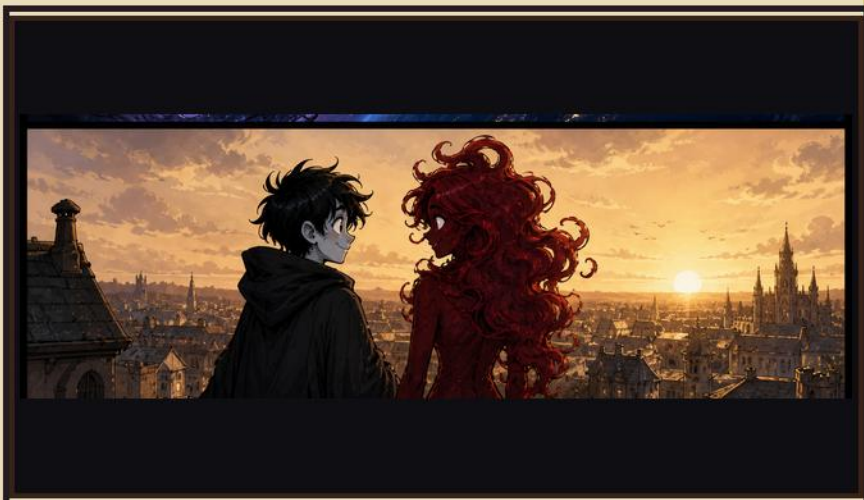
HEIN
Not every child is evil because its mother is afraid.



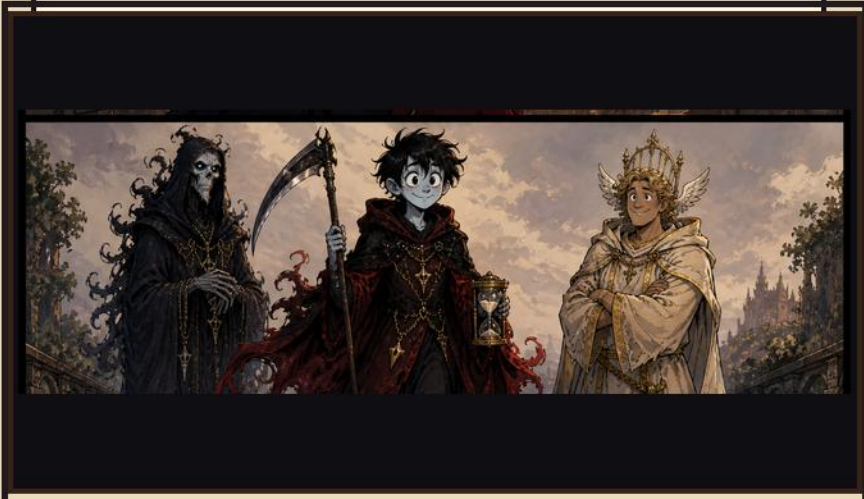
Hein and the Red Shadow joined their powers. Every sleeper on Earth dreamed of the monster—and the monster calmed down.



The monster gathered her eggs and vanished. The world woke safe.



At sunrise, Hein thanked the Red Shadow for believing in him.



From clumsy death to master reaper, Hein had learned to listen.



There is always someone who believes in you. Trust them, listen, and return that trust. No one is alone.

HEIN
Sleep tight—and keep an eye on the shadows.