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It is time. The boy must leave his family to serve in the Queen's army. To be chosen is an honor. To decline is impossible. The boy is modified. He is trained for several years, and learns to fight to the death. He proves to the Queen—and to himself—that he is capable of evil. He is just the kind of soldier the Queen wants: the alpha of his pack.

The Queen's Army Details

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From Reader Review The Queen's Army for online ebook

Aya Hamza says

I like Wolf, and I am happy I could read more about him. :)

Poonam says

This is a back-story of Wolf. Even though this book is- 1.5 this should be read after Scarlet in order to avoid any spoilers.

This story explains how Wolf came to be in Queen Levana's Army and how he became the Alpha.

A very short read.

P says

“He had known this was inevitable.”

Actually I really liked this one. Loved it. I wanted to know more about Wolf since I first knew him. His character stirred something inside me whenever I read other romance novels. I feel as if his potentials alone could beat Kaito and lead the main story until the last book, but alas his character hasn't appeared enough even though he's my favorite.

In this book, the story starts off with the boy named Z, I was curious then who this guy is and where he takes part in this novella. Yet I hadn't been waiting for too long, Meyer delivered some revelation to shock me and wow ! this is the best short story of the whole series, I have to say.

The order of the packs was interesting. Z fights his way to the top and I admired him for that. There's many dimensions in this character I couldn't look over. Something in this book also broke my heart, and I was fixed after that.

Zain Otoom says

This? This was beautiful T_T

I love Wolf so so much. This novella was just a fantastic summary of Wolf's—Z's—past, and I loved every second.

I rarely enjoy a novella like I did with this one.

Adita ?The Slumbering Insomniac? says

Ze'ev Wolf Kesley!

The Serendipity Aegis ~ ?Misericordia? ?????? ✨❤️? says

Thaumaturges...

Q:

They came at the end of the long night, when the manufacturing dome had not seen sunlight for almost two weeks. (c)

Q:

He'd just stopped questioning every thought that flickered through his brain. He had just begun to hope that he would not be chosen. (c)

Q:

Z balled up his blanket between his fists and tried to pour all his fears into it, and then release them all at once. He had to do it three times to keep from hyperventilating. (c)

Q:

Since he was a little boy, he had been raised to expect a visit from the queen's thaumaturges during his twelfth year, and knew if he was deemed worthy, he would be conscripted into the new army she was building. It was a great honor to serve his crown. It would bring pride to his family and his sector. (c)

Q:

As it is expected that henceforth you will have no more contact with your biological family, you may now say your good-byes. (c)

Q:

When his peers practiced mind control on one another or an instructor prodded him with thoughts of obedience, it felt like a new idea being etched into his brain. It was recognizable and, often, he found that with enough focus he could defy it. (c)

Q:

He would wake up improved. ...

He dreamt of needles burrowing into his skin. He dreamt of pliers gripping his teeth. He dreamt of hot ashes and smoke in his eyes. He dreamt of a white tundra, a cold he had never known, and a hunger barely satiated by dripping meat in his jaws.

Mostly, he dreamt of howls in the distance. Forlorn cries that went on and on and on. (c)

Q:

Twenty-six days, gone, while his DNA melded with that of a white wolf, while nameless doctors and scientists turned him into a beast to serve his queen. In that time, the sun had come and gone, plunging the great city of Artemisia into another long night. (c)

Q:

We all know you're Alpha—you don't have to bully every twelve-year-old kid who comes in here to prove it. (c)

Jessica ❁ ⇒ Silverbow ⇒ ❁ Rabid Reads-no-more says

In CINDER, we learned that Levana, the Lunar Queen, was creating an army. In THE QUEEN'S ARMY, we learn that her army is *not* an ordinary one. Still developing, twelve-year-old boys who show the proper aptitude are taken to training facilities where they are GENETICALLY RE-ENGINEERED into essentially werewolves.

W-E-R-E-W-O-L-V-E-S.

Then they go through years of basic training hell, where they live in a "pack" to better serve their new "wolfish" instincts.

I almost always read the novellas that accompany my favorite series, but mostly it's b/c I'm afraid of missing something important. I've learned not to expect too much--how deep can you really get in 20-30 pages?

BUT not only is THE QUEEN'S ARMY way more engrossing than any 25 page novella has a right to be, the story it tells *is* important to your overall understanding of the characters/situations in SCARLET.

And it's free. For whatever reason, the Tor.com links no longer work, but you can still get the novella from the author's website:

<http://www.marissameyer.com/books/sho...>

My other reviews for this series:

Glitches (Lunar Chronicles 0.5)

Cinder (The Lunar Chronicles, #1)

Scarlet (The Lunar Chronicles, #2)

Cress (The Lunar Chronicles, #3)

Fairest (The Lunar Chronicles, #3.5)

Winter (The Lunar Chronicles, #4)

Glitterbomb says

A nice bit of back story about Wolf, his initiation in the Queens Army, and how he became Alpha. It also explains Wolf's relationship with his brother Ran and why there is animosity there.

I didn't much like Wolf in Scarlet, I felt his character was underdeveloped and little sterile. This provided some much needed context, and injected a bit of humanity into Wolfs character.

Shannon says

Ever wanted to read about how The Big Bad Wolf went from his meager beginnings as a child to a teenage soldier in the Lunar Queen's genetically engineered army?

Of course you do. Read this story for free, here.

My reviews for the other books in this series:

Glitches ????

Cinder ?????

Scarlet ????

Cress ????

Fairest ???

Elevetha says

[Z is Wolf, by the way. (hide spoiler)]

Ylenia says

2.5 stars

This short story had the perfect length and pace. I'm not the biggest fan of Wolf / Ze'ev but I enjoyed reading about his past.

Sushi says

Ze'ev Kesley just...

Anne says

Prequel to Scarlet...

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This tells Z's (*or Wolf's*) origin story, and it's pretty darn good for being such a short little read!

It starts with the day he was taken from his home at 12, and recounts how he was genetically modified into the Lunar version of **The Big Bad Wolf**.

Or a werewolf...depending on how you want to look at it.

The animosity between Wolf and his brother Ran is explained, as is his rise to Alpha of his pack.

Again, this is not a long story, but it packs a decent punch!

Recommended for fans of the Lunar Chronicles!

Keertana says

The Queen's Army is one of two *good* e-novellas out there, the other being *Roar and Liv* by Veronica Rossi. While I am always exceedingly curious to pick up novellas, I tend to find that they are massive disappointments, focusing on unrelated aspects of the plot or simply written poorly. Whatever the case may be, I have more or less sworn off of YA Novellas. In Marissa Meyer's case, though, I'll be making an exception. *The Queen's Army* was short, but sufficient enough to give the reader new - and deeper - insight into the world Meyer has created and by the end of it, you'll be itching for more of her writing for sure.

Z is a twelve-year-old Lunar when he is recruited by the Queen to serve in her army. After being forced away from his family, he undergoes surgery, emerging as a human boy with wolf instincts - sharp smell, heightened hearing, better vision, and, of course, canines. Now, in the army, Z has only one goal in mind - to be strong enough, fast enough, and good enough that his Queen doesn't see fit to turn him into the pro-type for future soldiers - one that is more beast than man.

With *The Queen's Army*, Marissa Meyer cleverly shows us a chink in the seemingly perfect plans of Queen Levana. As a villain, she is formidable, intelligent, and cunning, but she also cannot always control everyone and everything. Although the wolf-human soldiers she creates are bound to the will of their leaders, the struggle Meyer has shown is one that is shockingly easy to feel for. Z lives on in the hope that he will remain the half-mutated boy he currently is, fearful of his beast tendencies and despising the thought that he may have fur in the future if he doesn't prove himself good enough. It is this drive that makes Z such an endearing character. Unlike the others, Z isn't utterly fixated upon serving his Queen, but rather keeping his humanity. When you're turned into a beast, how far can you go to preserve the moral standards that you once retained as a human?

Although I read *The Queen's Army* after *Scarlet*, I do not entirely think it makes much of a difference when you read this short story. While it does, quite obviously, give away a plot twist in Meyer's sophomore novel, many of my friends have enjoyed *Scarlet* just as much - if not more - than I have despite it. In fact, this short e-novella gives the reader a deeper insight into one of Meyer's new characters. Without this background knowledge, though, the reader is transported directly into Scarlet's head and she discovers her new companion, along with any betrayals that may come her way. While I thoroughly enjoyed the plot twists that I was able to experience as a result of not having read this novel before *Scarlet*, I do think it'll make for a more enriched, although predictable, reading experience.

Either way, the point remains that this e-novella is a must-read for fans of Marissa Meyer and the Lunar Chronicles. It takes up only fifteen minutes of your time, but manages to make you think, question, and fall in love with an original character. If that isn't worth reading for, then I don't know what is.

You can read this review and more on my blog, [Ivy Book Bindings](#).

Iryna (Book and Sword) says

That was sad.

Nothing extra-ordinary, but a nice, little glimpse in the life of Wolf.

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aria [dear darling reader] says

So I read this after I read **Scarlet** because this comes with my copy.

This novella was about one of the new characters introduced in Scarlet. **And I think it's better I read Scarlet first because I was blind to who this character was when I read Scarlet.** I don't think I would have enjoyed this book as much if I read this first.

I really enjoyed this novella. It wasn't there just for the sake of having a novella. It was there to make you understand things that might not have been explained on the main books.

And I am not a fan of Marissa Meyer. **I would read anything that woman writes.**

Melanie says

0.5) Glitches ★★★

0.6) The Little Android ★★★

1.0) Cinder ★

You can read this for **free** on Wattpad.

I loved this prequel to Scarlet, where I'm guessing Ze'ev will be The Big Bad Wolf. This novella was amazing! Seriously, I enjoyed these 20 pages more than the entirety of Cinder. This story breathed fresh air into this hyped series, and has given me the motivation to continue on with it!

We learn in Cinder that the Lunar Queen is building a very strong army to conquer Earth. This story shows you exactly what kind of army she is building; which is a pack of werewolves!

Ze'ev proves at the end that his pack is the strongest. It's impossible not to love him and develop empathy for him. He was taken from his family at a mere twelve-years-old, surgically "enhanced", to then having no friends or loved one for five whole years (view spoiler). This novella was packed with action, and was my favorite thing in *The Lunar Chronicles* so far.

Lisa says

[Also, he mentioned in this that he never wants to be turned into a mindless wolf monster, and after having read Winter, and knowing that exactly that

Daiane says

Own Wolf

A great insight of Wolf's background. Meeting his family, the story of how he got to the army, his changings and his pack

It was a great and fast reading that left the taste to read Scarlet again.

Read it online here

Sana says

A short story revealing Wolf's past.
