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Introduction

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Hello reader.

This is a Tales of Destiny Game Script transcribed by me, Unos Hambalos.

Tales of Destiny is a Role-Playing Game by NAMCO.  
It was released December 1997 in Japan and September 1998 in North America for the Playstation. There is a remake of the game that was released on November 2006 for PS2 but, sadly, it is currently Japan-only.

This script contains SPOILERS, obviously.  
I made this very simple so I don't think there's need for an explanation anymore.

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#### Updates

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- 10/17/2006 - Started this transcript.
- 11/24/2006 - Complete Game Script from start till the end.
- 12/21/2006 - Added updates section, and some fixed errors.
- 01/12/2007 - Did a spellcheck.
- 02/03/2007 - Changed the ASCII art, fixed the numbering in the contents, and made a few more changes.
- 03/08/2007 - Updated Introduction.
- 08/15/2007 - I removed some of the sidequests that I think just takes some space. Don't worry, I only removed the Coliseum ones. You can even read some of it in recruiting Khang.

The scene where the party defeats Leon in Harmentz is transferred to the main game script.  
I also changed the formatting in Stahn's Sacred Skills.

This should be the last update in a while.  
I don't think there's any more to add anyway.  
Unless, I find more typos.

- 08/30/2007 - Forget what I said about being the last update. I've read through the script and found a lot of spelling and grammar errors. Also, I'm not quite satisfied with the look of this, myself.

So, I decided to do a major reformatting and editing. And this is the result. I'm not saying that this is now error-free. So, if you find anything wrong, please contact me.

- 11/19/2007 - New ASCII Art.

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#### GAME SCRIPT

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#1--The Talking Sword-----[d.01]#  
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{The tale begins on an airship. Two crewmen are talking to each other.}

~~The Draconis~~

Crewman: "Patrol Duty is soooooo boring."

Officer: "Don't complain. You're getting paid to do this."

Crewman: "Yes sir. (Sigh) All that's left for us to check is this storeroom."

{The officer and the crewman enter the storeroom.

They search the dark storeroom and find a young man sleeping inside.}

Officer: "Identify yourself!"

Crewman: "Is he...dead?"

Officer: "No he's just sleeping. Hey, wake up!"

{The Officer hits Stahn.}

Officer: "What do you think you're doing here?"

Stahn: "..."

Officer: "Hey!"

{The Officer hits Stahn again.}

Officer: "Can't you talk?"

Stahn: "..."

Crewman: "Could he be a stowaway?"

Officer: "Sure seems like it. Hey, do you hear me?"

Stahn: "..."

Officer: "He's still half-asleep. Well, you're coming with us, buddy."

{The sailors drag Stahn out.}

Crewman: "Hey, wake up already!"

Officer: "Come on, get the lead out!!"

{The officer hits Stahn again.}

Stahn: "Huh? Wha, grmblfzzz...?"

Officer: "Just walk!"

Stahn: "Ofaay... (yawn)."

{The guards drag Stahn to the captain's room.}

Officer: "Cap'n!"

Captain: "What is it? What's all this racket?"

Officer: "Sir, we found this suspicious character."

Crewman: "He was hiding in the storeroom below."

Captain: "What!? Hiding below?!"

{The angered captain stands from where he's seated.  
The crewman tries to calm him down.}

Captain: "Who are you?!"

Stahn: "Huh? Wha?"

{The Officer kicks Stahn.}

Officer: "The Cap'n asked you a question! who are you?!"

Stahn: "I...ahh...I'm...(ahem)... Stahn Aileron..."

Officer: "Where are you from?"

Stahn: "I'm from the village of Lienea in Fitzgald."

Crewman: "We'll take that sword."

Stahn: "S,sure."

{Stahn hands over his sword.}

Officer: "He doesn't appear to have anything suspicious other than the sword."

Captain: "The Draconis is my ship. Why are you here?!"

Stahn: "I,I only wanted passage to Seinegald."

Captain: "Liar!!! You've come to steal IT, haven't you?"

Stahn: "All I want is passage to Seinegald. Please believe me."

Captain: "Well, if you're going to play dumb, we can play games too.  
Maybe we can use him as a punching bag. Do whatever you need to  
make him talk!!!"

Officer: "Aye, cap'n"

Stahn: "Wait! What are you doing? S, stop!!!"

Officer: "Tell us the truth!"

{They beat up Stahn.}

Stahn: "Ow! I don't know what you're talking about, honest..."

Officer: "You're only making things worse for yourself...Come on, tell us  
what you know!"

{Stahn takes a few more blows.}

Officer: "You came looking for IT in the storeroom, didn't you?!"

Stahn: "I...REALLY ...DON'T ...KNOW!"

Officer: "Shaddup, and spit it out!"

{The guards hit Stahn more. Stahn screams in pain.}

Stahn: "Uhhh, my aching head...."

Captain: "Oh great... just what we need- a stowaway. What a pain..."

Officer: "What now, Cap'n?"

Captain: "Get him out of here!"

Crewman: "Aye, sir."

Captain: "And make him swab the deck or something!"

Guard: "C'mon get up."

Guard: "Move it, slacker!"

{The guard takes Stahn out of the Captain's room.}

Guard: "Are you all right?"

Stahn: "How can I be all right? I just got caught and beaten up like a punching bag."

Guard: "Well lad, today's your lucky day, smuggling yourself aboard at a time like this."

Stahn: "What do you mean, unlucky?"

Guard: "Are you dumb? Haven't you figured out by now that this ship's transporting something important? That's why everyone's a bit jumpy."

Stahn: "Oh, I see..."

Guard: "The Cap'n isn't usually like that."

Stahn: "Sure he isn't..."

Guard: "That's enough. Let's get going."

{The guard takes Stahn to the deck.}

Guard: "Something's not right, I can feel it..."

Stahn: "What? What are you talking about?"

Guard: "Move along, and don't try anything."

Stahn: "Yeesssss, sir."

{The guard takes Stahn to the upper level.}

Guard: "Awright, stowaway, start swabbing! make sure you don't do anything stupid like falling off the deck. Heh, heh, heh."

Stahn: "Falling off?!"

Guard: "There's nothing we can do to help you if you fall off the deck. Remember that."

Stahn: "(Ahem)...Sure..."

Guard: "Now then, let's get your mop. The mop is over there next to the edge."

{Stahn trembles as they're so high in the sky.}

Stahn: "Wa,wait! Just a sec! I don't think I'm really cut out for..."

Guard: "What are you babbling about?"

Stahn: "B, because...we...we're so high up in the air..."

Guard: "Yeah, so what? Of course we're high up in the air! We're on the Draconis."

Stahn: "Well, I'm...I'm kinda scared..."

Guard: "Yeah, sure you are. Remember, you're dead if you fall."

Stahn: "well, ummmm..."

Guard: "Come on, don't be a wimp. You won't fall unless you try real hard."

Stahn: "Hey, that's easy for you to..."

Guard: "Stop yer yappin', and start yer cleanin'."

Stahn: "Uhh..."

Guard: "Sheeesh. What's the matter with you? Here, swab the deck first. You can get used to the height bit by bit."

Stahn: "Fine..."

Guard: "Here, take this mop."

{Stahn takes the mop.}

Guard: "Hey kid, you're a natural."

Stahn: "Gee, thanks...(sigh)."

{In the ship's bridge...}

Tactical Officer: "Captain, something's approaching on an intercept vector! Range 300 and closing! Th...they're monsters!!!"

Captain: "How many are there?!"

Tactical Officer: "Sir, there are approximately 100! Now at range 250!  
20 seconds until intercept!"

Captain: "Those bastards have finally found us! Number 1, sound the alert!  
Battle stations!"

First Officer: "Aye sir! Battle stations! Man your battle stations!!"

Captain: "All hands, man you battle stations! and you- go to engineering.  
Increase Lens generator power output to plus 120% we can shake  
them!"

First Officer: "Aye, Captain. Let's go! Follow me!"

Crewman: "Aye, sir!"

Captain: "We can't allow IT to fall into their hands. We've got to protect  
it somehow! Increase power!"

{In the engineering...}

Officer: "Full power!"

Crewman: "Aye, aye, sir!"

{In the deck, as Stahn is swabbing the floor, the alarm rings.}

Stahn: "What's the alarm for?"

Guard: "I'm not sure. Something must have happened."

{Monsters land on the deck.}

Monster: "Grrwarrggkkkkk!!!"

Guard: "M,m,m...monsters!!!"

Stahn: "Behind you! Watch your back!"

Guard: "What?!"

{A monster axes the guard and heads to Stahn's direction.}

Monster: "Hee, hee, hee, time to die! Don't worry, I'll make sure your  
death will be painful!"

Stahn: "What do you mean, my turn? Not if I can help it!  
Damn! \*#\$@!! I don't have a weapon!"

Monster: "Heh, heh, heh... You're all talk, aren't you, little man?"

Stahn: "%#\$\*!"

{Stahn runs away.}

Stahn: "All I need is a weapon... I'd make monster mincemeat out of them  
if I had one... Okay, I just need to be calm, and find a weapon  
somewhere."

{Stahn finds crates blocking his way.}

Stahn: "Oh no, what's this?! The path is blocked my crates! But I think I can move them."

{Stahn moves the crates out of the way. He tries to go up a staircase only to see a crewman die in front of him. He checks him out.}

Stahn: "He's still moving..."

Crewman: "Oooooo..."

Stahn: "Hey, hang in there!!"

Crewman: "....."

Stahn: "Hey! Wake up!! Hey!!"

{Stahn continues the search for a weapon.  
He finds himself in a dark storeroom.}

Stahn: "Something's shining over there..."

{Stahn finds a sword and gets hold of it.}

Stahn: "Great! A weapon...  
Whoa, what a piece of junk... I guess I can't complain."

??????: "A piece of junk?! Hah!!"

Stahn: "Wh, who is it?!!!"

Dymlos: "My name is Dymlos. I'm the Swordian you hold in your hand."

Stahn: "Th, the sword spoke!!!"

Dymlos: "Calm down, you fool! I'll protect you from the enemy."

Stahn: "What? Pro, protect me?"

Dymlos: "Look in front of you! They're coming!"

Monster: "I've got you now! Give it to me!"

{The monster attacks Stahn.  
He uses the sword he just got to slay the monster.}

Stahn: "Did I just do that?"

Dymlos: "Not bad for a novice. But...oh, never mind.  
So, what's your name?"

Stahn: "What? Oh, sorry. It's Stahn Aileron..."

Dymlos: "Now, Stahn Air-something or other, you're powerless, so I've give you a spell."

Stahn: "A spell? What do you mean?"

Dymlos: "I've given you a spell called Fireball. This spell enables you

to shoot small fireballs at your enemies. Remember, you must always have me, a Swordian, to cast a spell. By the way, it won't be easy for you to master them."

Stahn: "What do you mean by that?!"

Dymlos: "You'll see for yourself in time. Anyway, hurry up and get out of here now. You're finished with this place."

Stahn: "Okay, okay, I hear you... But say, wait a minute!"

Dymlos: "What now?"

Stahn: "What do you mean, 'what now'?! You called yourself Dymlos, right? You're a sword, for crying out loud!"

Dymlos: "No, I'm a teapot! Of course, I'm a sword!!!!!"

Stahn: "How in the world can you speak?"

Dymlos: "I can speak because I'm alive."

Stahn: "Aw, come on, do you expect me to believe that?!"

Dymlos: "Right now, I don't care if you believe me or not. What matters is that I'm here before you. Have you ever heard of the AETH'ER WARS? I was born in that distant past. And now, I have reawakened, And I've chosen you as my master. Do you understand me?"

Stahn: "Understand you? Err..."

Dymlos: "I will help you with my powers. Believe what I say. If you don't want to die, that is."

Stahn: "Hmmm...Okay..."

{In the Control Room...}

Captain: "I knew it... You've come...for the...sword..."

Stahn: "Wha?"

Captain: "No, it can't fall...into the hands of... monsters..."

Stahn: "So this is the important thing you were talking about?"

Captain: "Arggggh!...Ugggh!!!"

Stahn: "Come on, wake up!!!"

Captain: "....."

Stahn: "Damn it!"

{After some treasure hunting and monster bashing, Stahn reaches the deck. In there, monsters attack another crewman.}

Stahn: "Damn monsters!"

{The monsters decides to attack Stahn next, but they were no match for Stahn's newly acquired power.}

Stahn: "Are you all right?!"

Crewman: "Forget about me...I'm dying. There's an escape pod over there..."

Stahn: "But..."

Crewman: "Shut up and go! The ship will crash soon... Aaaggggghh..."

Stahn: "Come on, don't die!"

Crewman: "Arrggh..."

Stahn: "No, this isn't happening!"

Dymlos: "Stahn, escape now. We're really going to crash!"

Stahn: "No, I'm going to take them on! I'm going to crush them all!! Dymlos, give me strength!"

Dymlos: "You stupid fool!!!"

Stahn: "Dymlos?"

Dymlos: "Are you foolish enough to think that if you sacrifice yourself here, this man will come back to life?! I'll spell it out for you. You're an inexperienced weakling right now! Crush them? Hah! They'll crush YOU!! Listen to me! Calm yourself! Know your limits!"

Stahn: "But I thought you said you'd lend me your powers!"

Dymlos: "Yes, that I will. But I don't want to see you die in a place like this. It was our destiny to become partners. I've been waiting many years for this to happen."

Stahn: "Dymlos... I think I understand. Sorry."

Dymlos: "Stahn, hurry up. Wedon't have much time left..."

{Stahn rides the escape pod.}

Monster: "There is no escape!"

{The monster tries to stop the pod but he fails. }

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{The escape pod lands in a lake in the mountains.}

Stahn: "I'm still alive..."

Dymlos: "Hey, Stahn! Be strong, stay awake! You fool! Stahn!"

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#2--Deep in the Mountains of Phandaria-----[d.02]#  
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{Stahn wakes up in a cabin.}

~~Mountain Cabin~~

Stahn: "Where am I?"

????: "Ah, awake at last."

Stahn: "Where am I?"

????: "You're deep in the mountains of Phandaria. We found you lying unconscious by the lake, kid."

Stahn: "Who are you?"

Garr: "My name is Garr. I'm a traveler."

Stahn: "Thank you very much for rescuing me."

Garr: "Don't mention it. You look like you're doing some traveling yourself..."

Stahn: "Yes, I left to see the world and maybe become rich and famous along the way."

Garr: "What were you doing by the lake?"

Stahn: "I was aboard a flying dragon, it was attacked by monsters...but I managed to escape from it."

Garr: "A flying dragon was attacked? Is it true?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Garr: "Hmrrrr...seems like you've had quite an adventure."

Stahn: "Oh, by the way..."

Garr: "What is it?"

Stahn: "Ummm..."

Garr: "Ah, your sword. Come this way."

{Stahn follows Garr.}

Garr: "It's on the table."

{Stahn grabs the sword.}

Stahn: "Whew, what a relief."

Garr: "By the way, you have something interesting there."

Stahn: "What?"

Garr: "I'm talking about the sword."

Stahn: "Th, the sword? Is...is there...what do you mean?"

Garr: "This sword will help you some day."

Stahn: "Dymlos will? Do you think so?"

Garr: "You'd probably get an answer faster from Dymlos if you just asked him. Isn't that right, Dymlos?"

Dymlos: "....."

Stahn: "Hey, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "....."

Stahn: "Hey, I'm talking to you!"

Dymlos: "....."

Garr: "Ha, ha ha, it's okay. I don't think he likes me."

????: "That's right. Especially someone with a cynical attitude like you, Garr."

Garr: "Master Alba!"

Alba: "Ah, are you better now?"

Stahn: "Yes. Thanks to you."

Alba: "Well, I'm glad to hear that, my boy. By the way, Garr... She hasn't returned yet. Can you go look for her?"

Garr: "Again? Consider it done."

Stahn: "What's going on?"

Garr: "Well, his granddaughter went deep into the mountains but hasn't returned yet. I'm going to look for her."

Stahn: "Please take me with you."

Garr: "But you're still recovering. You should rest."

Stahn: "I'd like to do something to repay you for helping me."

Alba: "Well, that's very noble of you, son. I'll take you up on your offer. It'll be dark soon, and I'm a little worried. All right, then we'll both go. Listen, Stahn."

Stahn: "What? How do you know my name? Can you read my mind or something?"

Garr: "(Chuckle) Something like that... Let's leave it at that for now. We'll get going then."

Alba: "I'm counting on you."

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{Stahn and Garr leaves the cabin and looks for Alba's granddaughter in the forest.}

Garr: "Chelsea!"

Chelsea: "Garr! Is there something wrong? Did grandfather send you here? What does he want now?"

Garr: "I think he was saying that he needs your help badly...  
...He said something about sewing buttons on his pants."

Chelsea: "Sew buttons on his pants? ...He needs me for THAT?  
He was once a revered master archer! This is so embarrassing!"

Garr: "There's more to it than that. Master is genuinely worried about you. He's afraid that you got lost again."

Chelsea: "No way, I'm not lost! I was just hanging out with Keyaki and my other friends. We were having so much fun, and we just lost track of time. I'm not lost or anything... I don't deserve to be treated like a baby."

Garr: "Well, a 14-year old is still a child, if you ask me.  
Let's go home before it gets dark."

Chelsea: "You're treating me like a baby again! ...By the way, who is this?"

Garr: "Oh, this is Stahn. He's on a journey to seek fame and fortune."

Stahn: "I'm Stahn Aileron. Nice to meet you..."

Chelsea: "How do you do? I'm Chelsea Torn, Master Alba's granddaughter. I'm honored to make your acquaintance, sir."

Stahn: "Honored to...make your acquaintance...? Wow, your manners are very good for a 14-year old."

Chelsea: "It's hard growing up with a grandfather who can't do anything by himself."

Garr: "Well, it's hard for the master to have a grandchild who easily gets lost."

Chelsea: "Phoooey!"

Garr: "Okay, let's go."

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{The party returns back to the cabin.}

~~Mountain Cabin~~

Alba: "Ah, you're back."

Garr: "Yes, we just got here."

Alba: "I'm glad you're all safe."

Chelsea: "Grandpa! Can't you fix your own pants?!"

Alba: "Now, calm down, child. You've got plenty of time to fix it."

Chelsea: "No I don't!"

Alba: "Really...?"

Chelsea: "Of course! I can't keep doing everything for you for the rest of my life!"

Garr: "Chelsea. that's more than enough."

Chelsea: "Garr, you're on his side too?!  
You shouldn't spoil Grandpa like that."

Alba: "..."

Chelsea: "I have to put my foot down like this to make him understand my point!"

Alba: "I see, is this how you young ones gang up and abuse a helpless old man?"

Chelsea: "Who's the helpless old man?!"

Alba: "Have you no gratitude for the one who has taken care of you so far?"

Chelsea: "..."

Alba: "I think I'm going to be depressed..."

Chelsea: "Okay! I'll fix your pants... But only this one last time only!"

Alba: "Oh, goody. Chelsea is so kind."

Chelsea: "(Sigh)"

{Chelsea leaves.}

Garr: "Master, what do you mean by 'gang up and treat you badly'?"

Alba: "It's just a figure of speech, son. Don't dwell on it too much  
Oh, yes. I should give you two a reward for finding Chelsea."

Garr: "Master, please. A reward for adults like us...?"

Alba: "Well then, Garr, there's no reward for you.  
Let's see now. And you are Stahn, right?"

Stahn: "Y, yes sir."

Alba: "Here, I'll give you this."

{Stahn receives a Melange Gel.}

Alba: "Well, there's no need for us to stand around here freezing like this. Let's go back inside the cabin."

{Stahn, Alba and Garr heads inside the cabin. Inside...}

Alba: "By the way, where were you heading to before we found you?"

Stahn: "I was going to Darilsheid in the kingdom of Seinegald..."

Alba: "Hmmm, Seinegald... You'll need to pass through Janos to get there from here."

Stahn: "Janos?"

Alba: "It's a border town to the southwest between Seinegald and Phandaria."

Garr: "I can take you to Janos if you want. How about it?"

Stahn: "Yes, thank you."

Alba: "Garr, are you coming back?"

Garr: "Not right away, master. I'm thinking about going back to my hometown temporarily."

Alba: "I see... Then, give my regards to your father."

Chelsea: "Whaaaaat! Are you leaving me, Garr?!"

Garr: "Well, it's not like I have a lot of free time on my hands."

Chelsea: "Phooooey!"

Garr: "Oh, do behave. I'll come back again."

Chelsea: "Chelsea will wait impatiently for you."

Garr: "Hey, hey, don't get so serious."

Stahn: "Thanks for everything."

Alba: "Take care of yourself, son."

Garr: "Shall we get going, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Sure."

{Garr and Stahn leaves the cabin. They got past the forest and reaches Janos.}

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#3--The Border Town of Janos-----[d.03]#  
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~~Janos~~

Garr: "If you go through the north gate, you'll be in Seinegald."

Stahn: "Thank you for everything."

Garr: "Don't mention it. Have a safe journey."  
Stahn: "Thanks. Please take care of yourself too."  
Garr: "Okay. Goodbye, and good luck."  
Dymlos: "He's gone at last."  
Stahn: "Why didn't you say anything?"  
Dymlos: "I don't trust Garr."  
Stahn: "Why not? He's a nice guy."  
Dymlos: "Listen! He knew that I existed."  
Stahn: "Well, I learned about you too."  
Dymlos: "You're special. You've been chosen!"  
Stahn: "Chosen?"  
Dymlos: "Hey, don't let it go to your head!  
You've still got some learning to do."  
Stahn: "Learning..."  
Dymlos: "Anyway, don't attract attention to yourself."  
Stahn: "Why?"  
Dymlos: "Why?! Just think about it!"  
Stahn: "Now, hold on Dymlos!"  
Dymlos: "I won't speak unless it's absolutely necessary. Do you understand?!"

{Stahn explores the town. On the tavern he encounters a group of people.}

-John: "Our boss'll be a hero someday and earn his rightful place in history. I can talk to him like this now but I might not be able to hang out with him if he becomes an important man."

-Grid: "We're the 'Black Wings' Lens hunter gang."

--> 1. Wow, that's cool!

Grid: "Ah, so you seem to appreciate how magnificent I am."

--> 2. Yeah, so what?

Grid: "Whaaaaaaat?! Don't you know who the 'Black Wings' are?! Hey, listen up, pal. We hunt for Lens by going on difficult adventures and then sell them to Oberon Corporation. And many products used by ordinary people are made from these Lenses. ...In short, we're a godsend to the people of the world. And 'Black Wings' are superior to all the other Lens hunters!

We're invincible!! We're immortal!! John, 'The Beast'!!

John: "Gwaaaar! Grrrrrr!!"

Grid: "Whirlwind Milly!"

Milly: "What? ...Don't call me that!"

Grid: "And I'm the illustrious leader of the Black Wings- Grid, the Omnipotent! You poor helpless peons. Remember this day and my words forever in your hearts. You shall be saved by me some day!"

John: "Yo boss! U da man, U da man!!"

Grid: "My greatness rules the day again...  
Heh, you wretched commoners. Sorry, but no autographs."

-Milly: "Oh? Oooooohhhhhh! Your body! It's so ripped!  
And your face kinda reminds me of that way cute actor Leon DiCarpaccio!! You're soooo cuuuuuute! I think I'm in love! Say, why don't you join our gang? I'll take care of you, if you know what I mean."

--> No.

Milly: "(Sigh)... That's a shame. I'm soooooo disappointed!"

--> Yes

Milly: "Then, you need to donate 30000 Gald to us for our defense fund. Do you have it?"

Stahn: "Thirty...(gulp)...thousand?!"

Milly: "You don't have it?! Well, that's too bad.  
See you later, lover boy!!! (Smoooooooooch!)"

{Stahn continues to explore the town. In the inn he finds a troubled middle-aged man.}

Middle-Aged Man: "Hmmm...Looks like I lost my passport to Phandaria...  
I have to return to Phandaria soon, but I can't go through the border without a passport. Oh, I'm in deep...  
(mumble, grumble)... Where did I drop that blasted thing?"

{Stahn goes outside.}

Old Woman: "A lot of travelers pass through here and they often lose their passports. I just picked one up a little while ago and took it to one of the soldiers."

{Stahn goes to the station.}

Phandarian Soldier: We have a lost passport here. Is it yours?

Stahn: (Even if I get this, it's probably for the wrong country, and besides, it belongs to someone else...)

Phandarian Soldier: "What's wrong? Isn't it yours?"

Stahn: "Um, well...No it's not."

{Stahn returns to the inn...}

Stahn: "If you're looking for a passport, I think someone at the border station has yours."

Middle-Aged Man: "Oh, really?! I have to go get it. Thanks for the tip! This is a token of my gratitude. Please take it."

{Stahn receives 50 Gald.}

Stahn: "Um, (ahem)..."

Middle-Aged Man: "What is it?"

Stahn: "Where can I get a passport?"

Middle-Aged Man: "Didn't you get it from the guard when you entered the town? You don't have one?"

Stahn: "Well, you know...I was..."

Middle-Aged Man: "If you don't have a passport, you must be a criminal or an illegal alien..."

Stahn: "No, no, no, no. It's not that I don't have one... I just don't have it with me..."

Middle-Aged Man: "Sure, I believe you. Oh, I'd like to chat some more, but I've gotta run. I've got to go get it now. Thanks for your help."

{Stahn is about to leave the inn when Dymlos starts talking.}

Dymlos: "You're not using your brain, Stahn."

Stahn: "Wha? What gives?"

Dymlos: "You should have used that guy's passport to get out of town..."

Stahn: "Then I'd be going to wrong way. I'm going to Seinegald, not Phandaria."

{The inn-keeper looks puzzled, seeing Stahn talking to a sword.}

Dymlos: "Who cares? You need to get out of this town somehow."

Stahn: "Hey, didn't anyone bother teaching you about not stealing things from others?"

Dymlos: "This wouldn't be stealing. It's something that someone dropped. Finders keepers."

Stahn: "It's the same thing. You're so wrong."

Dymlos: "Fine...Whatever! See if I ever give you advice again!"

{Stahn leaves the inn and bumps to a red-haired woman.}

Stahn: "Yow!" "Are you all right?!"

????: "I'm sorry...I wasn't paying any attention to you because I've got a lot on my mind. To be honest, I'm in trouble."

Stahn: "Trouble? What happened?"

????: "Actually, what I should have said is that my friend is in serious trouble. My friend was caught in a trap inside the ruins by the snow mountain."

Stahn: "That doesn't sound good."

????: "I'd like to help her, but I can't do it by myself."

Stahn: "I see. Then, I'll help you."

????: "Are you sure? That'll be great. My name is Mary Argent. Call me Mary."

Stahn: "I'm Stahn Aileron. Let's get going."

Mary: "We can go to the snow mountain from the exit on the right side of this town."

Stahn: "Okay, lead on."

Dymlos: "Man, you are such a pushover. Weren't you going to Seinegald?"

Stahn: "Will you shut up?! I can't abandon someone in trouble!"

Mary: "What is it? Are you talking to yourself?"

Stahn: "It's nothing. Let's hurry up."

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{Stahn and Mary goes into the forest in search for the ruins.  
Mary gives him directions.}

Mary: "Stahn, turn left here. Near the end of this path, there's a hidden entrance to a passageway that will take you to the temple."

Stahn: "Okay, gotcha."

{Stahn follows the directions he was given. They reach a cavern.}

Mary: "You'll find the temple after you get through the cave. Like I said before, my friend is trapped there. Stahn, I'm really counting on you."

Stahn: "Sure, just leave it to me."

{Stahn and Mary get past the cavern and into the temple. In there, they see Mary's friend trapped in midair.}

Mary: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "Mary! Where did you run off to?!"

Mary: "I couldn't help you all by myself. I've recruited some help."

Stahn: "Mary, is this your friend?"

Mary: "Yes. Her name is Rutee."

Rutee: "Let's leave the introductions for later! Just get me out of here now!!!"

Mary: "Okay, okay, we'll get you down now. Stahn, please help me."

Stahn: "Sure thing. What do you want me to do?"

Mary: "Stand in front of the right pedestal."

Stahn: "Okay."

{Mary and Stahn stand on the left and right pedestals.}

Mary: "Do you see that switch on the pedestal?"

Stahn: "Is this it?"

Mary: "Well, don't push the bu... Oh no, run!!!!!!!!!"

Stahn: "Yeeeeeeeeeeooooowwwwww!"

{Stahn gets into a similar trap as Rutee.}

Mary: "Stahn, are you all right?"

Stahn: "Ye...yeah..."

Rutee: "Hey! What do you two think you're doing?!"

Stahn: "We're doing our best..."

Mary: "Stahn, hold on, I'll help you."

Rutee: "I don't believe this. @\$%!.. Is your head just an ornament?"

Stahn: "Hey, look who's talking! I don't need verbal abuse from someone suspended in midair."

Rutee: "What?! What are you talking about?! You're no better off than me!!!!"

Mary: "Knock it off, you two. Stahn, I'll get you down."

{Mary gets Stahn down.}

Stahn: "Whew..."

Mary: "Okay. We need to push the buttons at the same time when I say so. Stahn, don't blow it this time."

Stahn: "Okay, okay..." (What did I do to deserve this?..)

Mary: "Okay, ready?"

Stahn: "Yeah."

Mary: "Push!"

{Mary and Stahn are able to push the buttons at the same time.  
Rutee is now free from the trap.}

Mary: "Rutee! Rutee, are you hurt?"

Rutee: "Ugh. Why me? Why do these things always happen to me?"

Mary: "I'm sorry."

Rutee: "Well, don't worry about it. Let's get what we want and get out of here."

Stahn: "Hey, don't I get a word of thanks from you?"

Rutee: "Thanks?! No way!! Are you crazy?!"

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "I didn't ask for your help. Mary brought you here, right?"

Stahn: "But she did that to get help for you..."

Rutee: "I think we have a failure to communicate here. By the way, who's the wonderboy that got trapped and had to be rescued by Mary?"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "So, we're even."

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "We're wasting our time. Mary, let's go. We're going home."

Mary: "Rutee, wait,"

Rutee: "What?"

Mary: "Someone's coming."

{Three guys dressed like Seinegaldian Soldiers come in the area.}

Man: "Hey! What are you scum doing here?!"

Man: "You've got some explaining to do. And quickly!!"

Man: "Yeah, yeah!"

Rutee: "And who do you think you are? You sound like a bunch of thieves trying to snatch other people's treasure!"

Man: "Thieves?!!!!!"

Rutee: "Oh, no? Then, bandits? Sheesh. What's the world coming to?"

Man: "Why you little...we're..."

Mary: "Just shut your trap and come and get us if you dare!  
That is, if you want to lose your life."

Man: "My, my. Don't you have a big mouth."

Man: "Aw, forget it. Let's finish the three of them together!"

Man: "Yeah, yeah!"

Stahn: "What do you mean, 'Finish the three'...?"

Rutee: "I guess you're with us now."

Stahn: "Hey, wait a minute! I'm not..."

Man: "Shut up! save your excuses for the afterlife!"

{Stahn, Mary and Rutee beat down the soldiers.}

Man: "Re, retreat!!"

Rutee: "They're all talk after all!"  
(Hey this guy might actually be useful!)  
"Um, Stahn, is that your name?"

Stahn: "Ye, yeah."

Rutee: "I guess this is the second time you've saved me now.  
Thanks, Stahn."

Stahn: "Huh?"

Rutee: "If it hadn't been for you, we would have been killed."

Stahn: "Now, what did I do to deserve this outpouring of gratitude all  
of a sudden?"

Rutee: "You saved our lives. Mary, you should thank him too."

Mary: "Stahn, thank you for your help."

Stahn: "But, I really haven't..."

Rutee: "I'd like to thank you somehow. Can you come along with us to  
town? Mary, you ask him too!"

Mary: "Stahn, come on, let's go together. Traveling is fun with more  
people, the more the merrier."

Stahn: "What? Oh, um...sure...(I guess)"

Rutee: "Terrific. There's an exit to the south. Let's go."

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{So the party heads back to Janos.}

~~Janos~~

Seinegaldian Soldier: "Here is your passport. If you lose it, you won't be able to reenter Seinegald."

Stahn: "Oh, okay. Thanks for the tip..."

Rutee: "It's a little too busy here. Let's go somewhere we can sit peacefully."

{The party goes to One Million Roses Tavern.}

Rutee: "What are you going to do now? Are you joining the army or something?"

-> Yes

Stahn: "Yeah, that's my intention..."

Rutee: "So, you have a plan."

Stahn: "Well...no, not really."

Rutee: "Oh, I see..."

-> No.

Stahn: "No. I'm not planning to do that..."

Rutee: "Then, what are you going to do?"

Stahn: "I don't know yet..."

Rutee: "Oh, I see..."

Rutee: "By the way, where are you from?"

Stahn: "I'm from the village of Lienea..."

Rutee: "Lienea? Where's that?"

Stahn: "It's in Fitzgald..."

Rutee: "Fitzgald?"

Stahn: "Wha,whaaat? Something wrong?"

Rutee: "That means...you're a country boy!"

Stahn: "Who're you calling a 'country boy'?!"

Rutee: "You, it's Y...O...U! About the only place worth visiting in Fitzgald is Neustadt, right? Lienea? Where the heck is that? I've never heard of that place."

Stahn: "Hey, enough about me. Where in the world were YOU born, miss I'm-better-than-you?!"

Rutee: "Why, I, I was born into a good family in Seinegald! Don't put me in the same boat as you!"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "Okay, that's enough of that subject... Can I see your sword?"

{Stahn shows Dymlos.}

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "Can I?"

Stahn: "Ummm...well..."

Rutee: "Never mind. Can you hold this sword?"

{Rutee places a sword on the table.}

Stahn: "This?"

{Stahn grabs the sword.}

Rutee: "Go ahead and speak, Atwight."

Atwight: "How do you do, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Who, who is it?!"

Rutee: "I thought so! You can hear Atwight's voice!"

Dymlos: "Atwight?"

Atwight: "That sounds like...Dymlos?!"

Rutee: "I was right! You're a Swordian user!"

Stahn: "What's going on? Tell me, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "In short, we are both swords created in ancient times. However, we are different from ordinary swords because we are sentient."

Atwight: "But unless the user's neural wavelength is the same as ours, we can't even communicate with the user."

Stahn: "Does that mean the user is chosen?"

Atwight: "Chosen... You haven't changed a bit, Dymlos. You are so good at fooling people."

Dymlos: "Sh, shut up, Atwight..."

Stahn: "Hey, Dymlos..."

Rutee: "Looks like you've been had."

Dymlos: "Oh, well... His mind was simple and easy to read. But more than anything, he seemed like a good person..."

Stahn: "(Grrrr).....!"

Dymlos: "Wait, Stahn. You really have a special talent."

Otherwise, you wouldn't be able to hear my voice."

Rutee: "I know I'm interrupting, but..."

Stahn: "What!"

Rutee: "Do you want to work with us?"

Stahn: "Work?"

Rutee: "You don't have any plans, right? It might be better for you to travel with us instead of being alone."

Stahn: "What shall we do, Dymlos?"

Dymlos: "Why are you asking me...?"

Atwight: "It would feel safer if Dymlos was with us."

Dymlos: "I wouldn't object if you want to join them..."

Stahn: "Then, let's work together. But I won't take part in any crimes."

Rutee: "Of course! What do you think I am?"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "Well, think what you like. At any rate, we're in business together. Oh, can you give me Atwight back?"

Stahn: "Sure."

Rutee: "Well now... I'm gonna go out for a while."

Stahn: "Where to?"

Rutee: "I'll make arrangements for our lodging. You wouldn't want to stay in our room would you?"

Stahn: "Of course not!"

Rutee: "Besides, I wouldn't want to be bothered by someone like you."

Stahn: "Who would bother you?!"

{Rutee leaves Mary and Stahn.}

Rutee: "That was a good move, Atwight."

Atwight: "I just said the truth. I'm not helping you."

Rutee: "All you really want is to be with that Himlos or whatever, right?"

Atwight: "His name is Dymlos. He's just an old comrade. You wouldn't understand."

Rutee: "You're not exactly a young girl in love or anything."

Atwight: "I don't want to hear that from a money-obsessed maniac

like you."

Rutee: "What?! You don't know a thing about me!"

Atwight: "That's right, I can't read your mind because you won't open it to me."

Rutee: "You know, I can just throw you away right here if I want to!"

Atwight: "Do whatever you like. I'm interested in finding out what'll happen to a defenseless girl if she doesn't have a Swordian."

Rutee: "I'll get you for this someday!"

Atwight: "I look forward to it."

{Rutee leaves the tavern.

Meanwhile, Stahn starts talking to Dymlos.}

Stahn: "What's going on...?"

Dymlos: "I don't know, but leave her alone."

Mary: "They do this often. Don't worry."

Stahn: "I see... By the way, why did you set out on your adventure?"

Mary: "Me? I...can't remember."

Stahn: "What?"

Mary: "I don't remember. My memories only begin from the time I first met Rutee."

Stahn: "Isn't that called amnesia...? don't you remember anything?"

Mary: "This."

{Mary shows a sword.}

Stahn: "What's this sword?"

Mary: "I don't know why I have it or to whom it belongs to... Before I knew it, I had this sword... This is the only connection to my past for me."

Stahn: "I'm sorry...I shouldn't have pried..."

Mary: "Don't worry about it. It's kind of liberating to not have any memories. Besides, everything I see, hear, touch, taste...everything is new to me."

Stahn: "Is that right...?"

Mary: "You'd understand if it happened to you."

Stahn: "That's quite all right... that's the last thing I need."

Mary: "Ha, ha, ha. You're right."

{Rutee returns.}

Rutee: "I got our rooms."

Stahn: "Great."

Rutee: "Well, I'm going to call it a day. We'll leave early in the morning tomorrow. Don't be late!"

Stahn: "I know, I know."

Mary: "See you later, Stahn."

{Mary and Rutee leave Stahn.}

Stahn: "I'm going to bed too..."

{Stahn goes to sleep.}

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{The next morning...}

Rutee: "Stahn! Stahn!"

{Rutee and Mary enters Stahn's room.}

Rutee: "Stahn!"

Stahn: ".....Zzzzzzzz..."

Rutee: "Wake up!"

Stahn: "....."

Mary: "Stahn, wake up!"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "Hey! I'm telling you to wake up!"

Stahn: "Oh...good...morning..."

Rutee: "Good morning?! How much longer are you going to sleep?!"

Stahn: "Yaaaaaaaawwwwwnnnnnn..."

Rutee: "I don't believe this. You're a zombie in the morning!!"

Stahn: "Huh? Wha?"

Rutee: "Ooooh! It doesn't matter! Just wake up!"

{Stahn gets up from bed.}

Rutee: "Come on, let's go."

Stahn: "Go where?"

Rutee: "Oh. give me a break! I told you yesterday Don't you remember?"

Stahn: "No, not at all..."

Rutee: "I can't believe it!! There's a village called Harmentz in the northwest! We're supposed to give that cane to a guy named Walt! Do you remember now?"

Stahn: "Not really..."

Mary: "Rutee, I don't think you told him that."

Rutee: "What? Oh, no, Mary, you don't remember either?"

Mary: "I don't forget a thing."

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "Well, listen up, we're going to Harmentz!"

Stahn: "Oh, sure..."

Rutee: "But before that..."

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "We'll exchange the Lens for money."

Stahn: "Lens?"

Rutee: "Let me guess..."

Stahn: "Whaaaaat?"

Rutee: "...Do you want me to tell you what Lens are?"

-> Yes

Stahn: "Well, um, (cough) yeah..."

Rutee: "I don't believe it! You're so out of it!"

Stahn: "Hey, sorry for being a country boy!"

Rutee: "Okay, I'll teach da wittle country boy how the Lensy-wensy gets changed into M O N E Y!!!"

Stahn: "Hey, cut that baby-talk out!!!"

Rutee: "I don't know what you're talking about."

Stahn: "Err, um, never mind..."

Rutee: "Well, fine! It's settled then. Let's go."

-> No

Rutee: "Hey, you don't have to be such a know-it-all jerk."

Stahn: "I, I'm not like that!"

Rutee: "You don't really know, do you?"

--> Yes

Stahn: "Well... (cough)...no..."

Rutee: "You have the IQ of your shoe size! You're hopeless."

Stahn: "Sorry for being stupid!"

Rutee: "Well, since I'm such a nice girl, I'll teach you at the exchange. Okay, let's go."

--> No

Stahn: "Of, of course I know! I'm not some common fool!"

Rutee: "Oh, good... I'm glad to hear that (I guess). Okay, let's go."

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{The party goes downstairs, at the exchange.}

Lens Girl: "Welcome!"

Rutee: "Can you please explain the Lens recycling system to this country boy?"

Stahn: "You don't have to keep on calling me country boy!"

Rutee: "Just be quiet and listen to her."

Lens Girl: "I'd be happy to explain. At Oberon Corporation, we buy Lens from people in order to manufacture our fine line of Lens products."

Rutee: "Wait!"

Lens Girl: "Yes, what is it?"

Rutee: "Can you start by explaining what Lens are?"

Lens Girl: "Sure. Lens are a type of energy generating device. The name comes from its shape. They're round and about 2.5 inches in diameter. The most commonly accepted theory says that Lens are technological legacy left by ancient civilization. Moreover, no one has been able to clearly understand its scientific properties."

Rutee: "Oh, whatever. I don't care as long as it can be exchanged for money."

Lens Girl: "Lens are usually found in ancient ruins. However, some monsters have them inside their bodies. Since our company uses Lens as energy source for our products, they are in high demand. We buy them at a reasonable price from Lens hunters."

Stahn: "Lens hunters?"

Rutee: "They're adventurers like us who hunt monsters to get Lens."

Lens Girl: "The Lens are processed in a factory at our headquarters and turned into useful products. The products are then distributed and sold through retail outlets."

Stahn: "HMMMMMMMM..."

Lens Girl: "Now, would you like to take this opportunity to purchase a Lens product for your family?"

Rutee: "We're not here to buy anything. We want to exchange Lens for Gald."

Lens Girl: "Sure, I'd be happy to help. You have 100 Lens. Our exchange is 3 Gald per Lens, so you'll receive 300 Gald. Is this all right?"

Rutee: "Your rate is kind of low."

Lens Girl: "A large quantity of Lens were purchased recently, so we have an excess supply of them right now. Therefore, the rate is temporarily low. Would you still like to do the exchange?"

Rutee: "Sure. That's fine."

Lens Girl: "Thank you very much. We look forward to serving you again soon."

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{The party journeys to the Village of Harmentz.}

~~Harmentz, Seinegald~~

Rutee: "We're finally here. Walt's house is the largest mansion at the back of this village."

{Stahn encounters his uncle in this village.}

Uncle Bob: "Hey, it's you Stahn! I never thought we'd meet again here. Let me help you. I'll give you some money."

-> 1. Accept

Stahn: "Thanks, uncle."

{Stahn receives 10 Gald.}

Uncle Bob: "If you return to Lienea, say hi to my Maggie."

-> 2. Refuse

Uncle Bob: "Okay, I'll give you this."

{Stahn receives 10 Lens.}

Uncle Bob: "If you return to Lienea, say hi to my Maggie."

-> 3. Ask for more.

Stahn: "Hey, only 10 Gald? Can't you spare some more? Come on!"

{Stahn receives 15 Gald.}

Uncle Bob: "I don't want to see your face. Get lost."

{Rutee and the others goes to Walt's mansion.}

Bodyguard: "Oy! Ya ain't passin' tru here, ya gottit? Dis ain't no place for punks like ya."

Stahn: "Punk? YOU talking to me? I'm no punk!"

Bodyguard: "Ya wanna piece o' me, little punk?!"

{The Bodyguard hits Stahn.}

Rutee: "My, oh my. We bring something important for Walt, and all we get for our troubles is this lousy welcome?"

Bodyguard: "Oy, den why dintcha say so in da faaast place? Big Boss be waitin' upstairs."

Stahn: "Owww! @#%\*!!!"

Rutee: "Man, you got smacked for nothing... You're not very bright, are you?"

{The party heads upstairs, to where Walt is waiting.}

Walt: "Hey, Rutee. You brought what you promised, right?"

Rutee: "Did you?"

Walt: "Man, you're so predictable. You're exactly what I heard. First thing first. Give me the item."

Rutee: "All right. Take it."

{Rutee gives the Old Cane to Walt.}

Rutee: "Now, you got what you wanted. Well, it's my turn to get paid for my work."

Walt: "Fine. Wait a minute."

{Walt gets something... from a plant.}

Walt: "Here you go."

{Rutee receives 5000 Gald.}

Rutee: "Hey, wait."

Walt: "What?"

Rutee: "What do you mean what?! Did you seriously think I'd be happy with this little money?! I bet I can get at least 50,000 Gald if I put this thing up for auction!"

{Rutee goes to the plant where Walt got money from.}

Walt: "Hey, what are you doing?!"

{Rutee gets another 5000 Gald.}

Rutee: "Well, I'll let you go this time."

Walt: "Now, just a minute, Rutee! I made a reservation at the inn for you, and I was even going to wine and dine you to thank you for your work. And then you pull this fast one on me? You've got some nerve biting the hand that feeds you!"

Rutee: "Whatever. Thanks for taking care of our accommodations. We'll make sure to stay at the inn. See ya! Have a nice life! Come on, we're going Stahn."

Stahn: "She's a witch..."

Walt: "I don't ever want to see your ugly faces again! LEAVE!!!"

{They go to the inn.}

Front Desk Clerk: "Welcome. I'm sorry but we're completely booked today."

Rutee: "Oh, we have a room reserved under the name Walt. Can you check please?"

Front Desk Clerk: "Ah, I see. Just a moment please. ...Yes. We have confirmed a reservation for a Mr. Walt on file. And the room is prepaid as well. Please make yourselves at home."

{The party goes to sleep, The next morning...}

Rutee: "Hey, are you up? ...that would be wishful thinking..."

Mary: "Rutee, wake Stahn up!"

Rutee: "He's such a baby. Hey, wake up!"

{Rutee attacks Stahn.}

Stahn: "Mmmphgrmbplphbt..."

{Stahn wakes up... maybe.}

Rutee: "Hey!!! Sleeping beauty!!! You should feel lucky that a pretty girl like me is waking you up."

Stahn: ".....ZZZZZZZZ...ZZZZ..."

Rutee: "...Are you listening to me?"

Stahn: "Mmmph...huh (yawn)? Oh, good (yaaaaaawn) morning. ...Did you have something to say?"

Rutee: "...Oh, forget it!"

Stahn: "By the way, what are we going to do next?"

Rutee: "I heard that the head of the Armeida village was looking for someone who could give his grandson lessons in swordsmanship. The pay is pretty good. What do you think?"

Stahn: "Swordsmanship..."

-> 1. That sounds good

Rutee: "Okay then. Armeida is northeast from here."

-> 2. I don't think so

Rutee: "Then, what do you want to do?"

Mary: "How about the capital, Darilsheid? There's always something interesting going on in that city. Besides, it's on the way to Armeida."

Rutee: "Yeah, you're right. There are more chances for us to make money in a place where there are more suckers...(ahem)...people. And, Stahn, if you're lucky, you might be able to apply for the army there."

Stahn: "Do you really think so?"

Rutee: "Okay, then. Darilsheid is directly east from here."

{Downstairs, three guys dressed as Seinegaldian soldiers are talking with the Front Desk Clerk.}

Front Desk Clerk: "Why yes, those three are staying here. Is there anything wrong?"

Man: "They're..."

Rutee: "Hey, hey, hey! What's going on here?"

Man: "Shaddap! It's none of your business... Wha, h, hey!"

Man: "Waitaminit!!"

Man: "Huh? Who do you think you are? Th, there they are! It's them!!"

Man: "Yup, it sure is."

Man: "Yeah, yeah!"

Stahn: "???"

Man: "Hey you! Return what you've taken from us!!!"

Rutee: "Oh, now I remember! You're those thieves who tried to mess with us before!"

Man: "Who're you calling theives?!"

Soldier: "We're Seinegaldian soldiers."

Commander: "Hold it right there! At ease, men! Did you know that the temple

was under the protection and care of our kingdom?"

Stahn: "What?! ...Hey, hey, Rutee."

Rutee: "Stahn, did you know that?"

Stahn: "How the heck would I know that?!"

Rutee: "Jeepers! Well, gentlemen and sirs, as you can see, we didn't know that."

Soldier: "Why you little punks! You're lying through your teeth!!!"

Commander: "Aren't...aren't you...? You're Rutee Katreia, aren't you?"

Rutee: "Why, am I that famous? Do you want my autograph or something?"

Commander: "I've heard many bad things about you. Listen you, surrender peacefully. We want to take you to the castle for questioning."

Rutee: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "Wha...what?"

Rutee: "Run!"

Stahn: "Ru...huh?!"

{Rutee and Mary runn. Rushing through the Commander, leaving Stahn behind.}

Stahn: "Wa...wait! Wait a minute!"

{Stahn gets away.}

Soldier: "Co, commander! Are you all right?"

Commander: "You idiots! They got away! What are you morons doing?! After them!"

Soldier: "Y, yes sir!!!"

{Outside...}

Soldier: "Surround them!"

Rutee: "Is this an ambush?!"

Stahn: "What's going on?! I thought you weren't involved in bad things!!"

Rutee: "Ugh! Will you stop your whining, Stahn?! My plan is completely screwed up now... Okay, we'll have to do things the hard way! Mary and Atwight, come on!"

Stahn: "Mary, please stop Rutee!"

Mary: "Hee, hee, hee! Come on, you little girlie boys!! Show me what ya got!!!"

Stahn: "Wha, now, hold it right...!"

Atwight: "We have no choice..."

Stahn: "You, you must be joking...!"

Dymlos: "We have to make our stand now."

Stahn: "Argh! ...Lilith, I'm so sorry. I might not be able to come home ever..."

Rutee: "What are you blubbering about?! They're coming!!"

{The party gets in a fight against the soldiers,  
and defeats all of them.}

Rutee: "Aren't you boys a bit too young to carry weapons?!"

Soldier: "What are you waiting for?! There's only three of them!"

????: "Move out of my way!"

Soldier: "Sir Leon!"

Leon: "Damn it, you spineless worms... Quit slacking your job, you morons! Get up now!! I'll take care of them. You fools are going against the national army. Surrender peacefully or suffer the consequences. This is your last chance..."

Mary: "You little arrogant twit!"

Rutee: "When did they let you out of preschool?!"

Leon: "I've given you a fair warning... You'll regret you insolence. Criminals have no rights. Now, you shall pay!!"

-> If the party defeats Leon...

Rutee: "You brag about yourself, but you're really helpless!"

Stahn: "Do we have to fight these soldiers? ...Don't I have a choice?"

Rutee: "What's your problem, Mr. Gloom-and-Doom?!  
If we stick together, nothing can stop us."

Stahn: "B...but..."

Rutee: "Can't you see there's no turning back now? Let's get crazy!"

Stahn: "B...but..."

Stahn and the others defeated the Seinegaldian Soldiers...

...And finished off the master swordsman, Leon Magnus...

...The three went on to take their place in as an infamous gang  
of lens hunters who roamed the four corners of the world

But that's another story...

-> If Leon defeats the party...

{Leon has the party tied up.}

Stahn: "Damn it..."

Leon: "How amusing. I wasn't aware you had Swordians."

Rutee: "Yeah, so what? What is it to you?!"

Leon: "Your Swordian skills are so primitive. What a waste of the poor Swordians..."

Chaltier: "You shouldn't have challenged my young master."

Dymlos: "Chaltier!"

Stahn: "Hey, what's this? Chaltier? Who? Dymlos, what's going on?!"

Dymlos: "Chaltier was our comrade during the ancient war."

Stahn: "That means he's a..."

Dymlos: "Yes, he's a Swordian master."

Rutee: "If he's a Swordian master like us, why won't he let us go?!"

Chaltier: "No way. I can't go against my master."

Atwight: "So, who is this master of yours?"

Chaltier: "Leon is my master. He's the best swordsman in the Kingdom of Seinegald. He's highly respected."

Dymlos: "Kingdom of Seinegald?"

Atwight: "It's a kingdom that was established after the war in the northern part of the Prime Continent in this world."

Dymlos: "I've never heard of it."

Atwight: "You don't know because you've been sleeping for ages."

Stahn: "What is the Prime Continent?"

Atwight: "This is the Prime Continent. It was called by that name long ago."

Stahn: "Oh..."

Dymlos: "By the way... Chaltier, you talk differently now."

Chaltier: "Do you think so? Perhaps, it's because of my young master. ...Well, I've also been through a lot..."

Leon: "Chal!"

Chaltier: "I know, master. I'll behave..."

Leon: "All of you should be silent as well. Surrender your weapons now."

Rutee: "Yeeessss, maaasssstter...!"

Stahn: "Hey you, Leon or whatever. What are you going to do with us?"

Leon: "There is only one place for criminals to go. Just make sure to remove the unnecessary jewelry and clothing around you neck... Send these scum to Darilsheid!"

Soldier: "Yes, sir!"

Stahn: "Criminals...Hey, wait a minute!"

Rutee: "Why did we have to be caught by you, of all people in the world?!!"

Leon: "Take them!"

Soldier: "Yes, sir!"

Rutee: "Hey, watch where you're grabbing! Hey, lemme go!! Lemme go!!!"

Leon: "...What a big mouth!"

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#5--Darilsheid, Capital of Seinegald-----[d.05]#  
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~~Darilsheid, Seinegald~~

{Stahn, Rutee and Mary were taken to Darilsheid, in a jail.  
Stahn is in one cell while Rutee & Mary is in a cell beside Stahn's. }

Stahn: "Hey, let me outa here! I didn't do anything wrong!"

Guard: "Shut up!!!! Who said you could talk, you pond scum!"

Stahn: "(Sigh)... Man, what did I do to deserve any of this?"

Rutee: "Yeah! why do I have to put up with any of this?!!"

Stahn: "Hey, that's my line."

Rutee: "What did you say?! First of all, Stahn, this is YOUR fault. You're the one who fought with all those soldiers!"

Stahn: "Hah! Look who's talking! Okay, then tell me who got us into this mess in the first place!!!"

Rutee: "Oh, stop your whining. Whatever the case, it's all your fault, so why don't you be a real man and take responsibility?!"

Stahn: "Hey, who made you the judge, jury and executioner?!"

Rutee: "Mary, say something."

Mary: "Why don't you two love birds stop fighting? You two sound like a married couple."

Rutee: "Why you traitor... Hmmm?"

{A group of men comes in the scene.}

Jailer: "All of you, get out!"

Rutee: "Where are you taking us?"

Jailer: "You're going to see His Majesty."

Rutee: "What's going on?"

Jailer: "You don't have the right to ask me that question."

Rutee: "Ooooooh! You're useless."

Jailer: "Take them."

Guard: "Yessir!"

{The men take the party to the King.}

Isard: "Here they are."

Dryden: "Ah, good."

Rutee: "What does the king want from us?"

King of Seinegald: "Now, take a moment to reflect upon you heinous deeds."

Rutee: "What did I do? I haven't a clue. Right, Stahn?"

Stahn: "What? Err..."

King of Seinegald: "Who do you think you're fooling, you imbeciles!!  
You wreaked havoc in a temple under the protection of my  
kingdom and terrorized citizens with acts of senseless  
violence! Now, you shall pay for your transgressions!"

Stahn: "But, but..."

Hugo: "One moment, your majesty."

King of Seinegald: "Hugo, what is it now?"

Hugo: "Do you know what a Swordian is, sire?"

King of Seinegald: "That's a strange question, Hugo. What is your point?"

Hugo: "These criminals before you are Swordian masters."

King of Seinegald: "What? Are you sure of that?"

Hugo: "Yes, sire. According to Leon, although they are immature, they  
may be of some use to us."

Rutee: "Hey, what do you mean by immature...?"

Hugo: "If I may be so bold as to make this proposal sire, what do you

think about the idea of sending them to Straylize Temple?"

King of Seinegald: "Although you're my trusted vassal, I think this proposal of yours does not make any sense. These wretched miscreants are criminals. We cannot afford to have them on the loose."

Hugo: "But sire, I have a solution for that. I have no intentions whatsoever of allowing them to run free. As long as we attach these restraining devices made for prisoners on them, they will be unable to escape. Guard! Hold this one!"

Guard: "Yes, sir!"

Stahn: "Let go of me! Hey, watch where you're grabbing! What are you doing to me?!"

Hugo: "You can untie the rope now. Sire, this device is capable of generating a severe electric shock via remote control. Now, a simple demonstration of the device."

{Hugo activates the device on Stahn.}

Stahn: "Yeeooooooooooooowwwwww!!!!!"

Rutee: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "Owwwww..."

Hugo: "The test shock just given to the subject wasn't much, but any attempt to remove the device will generate a lethal shock."

King of Seinegald: "Ah. I see. So, if they try to run away, we can control them with the device."

Hugo: "Exactly sire. I believe that these criminals can be easily controlled by assigning a single escort to watch over them."

King of Seinegald: "Yes, but..."

Hugo: "What is troubling you, sire? Please tell me, I can't read your mind."

King of Seinegald: "What I'm about to say does not leave this room. Hugo, you've heard of the Eye of Atamoni, have you not?"

Hugo: "I believe that was the doomsday weapon from the time of the ancient Aeth'er Wars."

King of Seinegald: "Yes, you are correct. And it is kept underground beneath Straylize Temple."

Hugo: "What?!"

Ashley: "Excuse me, your majesty. Please send me to Straylize Temple. There isn't a moment to lose."

King of Seinegald: "No, Ashley! If even one of the Seven Generals of Darilsheid investigates this matter, the public may panic. This must be kept a state secret."

Hugo: "In that case, I believe using them would be the most expeditious way to handle this matter..."

King of Seinegald: "But Hugo, can we trust them with the task?"

Hugo: "We'll send Leon along with them. He'll be able to handle them easily."

King of Seinegald: "Hmmm, Leon, eh? All right, make it so."

Hugo: "Attach the device on these two and untie their ropes."

Guard: "Yes, sir."

Rutee: "Where do you think you're touching me! Let go of me, you pervert!!"

Mary: "Wow, this is a great fashion accessory."

Rutee: "You're such an airhead..."

Stahn: "Hmmm..."

Rutee: "Hey there, mister. I don't know if it's the Eye of Atamoni or the Evil Eye or whatever, but you're going to compensate us for our work, right? Otherwise, this is totally ridiculous!"

Leon: "You brazen hussy! Who told you to speak?!"

Rutee: "What?!"

Hugo: "Why, isn't she just a lovely lady? I guess having her life spared isn't a good enough reward... Rutee...was that your name? I can't promise you anything right now, but how about a reward upon completing the mission? Of course, the mission must be completed successfully. This is a very important task. I realize that you are simple people who need some kind of motivation to get things done. Would this be all right, your majesty?"

King of Seinegald: "Yes."

Hugo: "Come to my mansion later. I have something to give you. My mansion is the largest building in Darilsheid. You can't miss it. Oh, and..."

Rutee: "What?"

Hugo: "My name is Hugo Gilchrist, the president of Oberon Corporation. Remember my name."

Rutee: "The...president of Oberon Corporation... You mean THE Oberon Corporation?!"

Hugo: "Yes, the one and only. Well, if you'll excuse me..."

{Hugo leaves.}

Rutee: "Okay, so what are we supposed to do?!"

King of Seinegald: "I shall give you two tasks. One is to inspect the temple.  
Contact Archbishop Marton and ask for an update.  
Something may have happened to him.  
If Marton is not there, ask anyone who's available."

Rutee: "And then what's the other task?"

King of Seinegald: "If something is going on, put a stop to it, whatever it  
may be. I don't care HOW you do it- just get it done."

Stahn: "What could that something be?"

King of Seinegald: "You have to find out for yourself.  
Just follow Leon's instructions."

Rutee: "But he's just a little kid! Are you sure it's all right?"

Leon: "Hey!"

King of Seinegald: "Leon's skills are easily on par with the Seven Generals.  
Not to worry."

Rutee: "How lovely! I feel sooooo much better now!"

Leon: "Just stay out of my way."

King of Seinegald: "The temple is located deep in the mountains northeast of  
Darilsheid. Prepare for the trip at Hugo's mansion and  
head for the temple. Do you understand?"

Stahn: "Yes."

King of Seinegald: "All right. You are all dismissed."

{The party heads to the city, into Hugo's mansion.}

Leon: "Marian! Marian!! Are you here?"

{The party walks further in.}

Leon: "Ah, Rembrandt. Where is Marian...I mean, Hugo?"

Rembrant: "Leon, my boy. It's so good to see you."

Leon: "I told you not to call me that."

Rembrandt: "Master Hugo in his office, my boy."

Rutee: "Hee, hee. He called you a boy!!"

{Leon activates the device on Rutee's head.}

Rutee: "Eeeeeaaaaahhhhh!!"

{The shock causes Rutee to fall down the stairs.}

Leon: "Silence!"

Rutee: "Why you little (grumble, grumble)..."

Leon: "What did you just say?"

Rutee: "No, nothing, I swear (mumble...mumble)."

Leon: "That's what I though. Now, shut up."

Rembrandt: "By the way...who are they?"

Leon: "Don't mind them. I'm traveling with them out of convenience."

Stahn: "Hey, I thought we were working together..."

Leon: "Was I talking to you?"

Stahn: "Well, you don't have to treat us like a bunch of lepers or something."

Rembrandt: "Kind strangers, please don't fret over what the boy says."

Rutee: "You've got to be kidding! I've had it with him!"

Leon: "Hah!! Speak for yourself!"

Rembrandt: "Leon tends to keep people at a distance on purpose."

Leon: "Nonsense!"

Stahn & Rutee: "....."

Rembrandt: "Well, any guests of the young master Leon are welcome here."

Leon: "Sorry, but we don't have time for that right now."

Rembrandt: "That's a pity..."

Leon: "Hugo is in the office, right?"

Rembrandt: "Yes, that's right."

Leon: "Fine. Well, let's go."

Rutee: "Oh, whatever!"

Leon: "You're hopeless."

{The party heads to Hugo's office.}

Leon: "Hello, Hugo."

Hugo: "You're here earlier than I thought.  
Well, let's go to the hall and talk."

{Hugo takes the party into the hall.}

Hugo: "I want to give you something... Marian, bring them here."

Marian: "Excuse me."

Hugo: "Let me introduce all of you to Marian. She's our housemaid."

Marian: "Hello, how do you do?"

Hugo: "Marian, give them the Swordians."

Marian: "Yes sir."

Stahn: "Dymlos!"

Dymlos: "I thought I was going to be stuck in storage again."

Rutee: "Atwight!"

Atwight: "I was beginning to worry about our fate."

Hugo: "Well, just add Chaltier and that makes a total of three Swordians. History books say that 6 Swordians saved our world in the ancient Aeth'er Wars."

Dymlos: "That's correct."

Hugo: "And now, half of them are assembled here. I expect you to be successful. And take this too."

{Stahn receives a World Map.}

Hugo: "This will help you find your way around the world. Now go ahead with your mission."

{On their way to leave the mansion, Leon starts to say something.}

Leon: "Hey, wait a minute."

Stahn: "Wh, what?"

Leon: "I remembered something. Wait here for a while."

Stahn: "Where are you going?"

Leon: "It's none of your business. Remember, there's no use trying to escape. I'll hunt you down in the end."

Stahn: "I, I know."

{Leon heads back to the hall.}

Leon: "Marian!"

Marian: "Leon, what's wrong?"

Leon: "Don't call me that. No one can hear us here."

Marian: "...I'm sorry. But I thought you went off to some place."

Leon: "I don't think I'll be able to see you for a while, so I just wanted to talk to you before I left."

Marian: "You came back just for that?"

Leon: "I'll miss you."

Marian: "Oh, poor thing. Master Hugo wouldn't like it if he knew about this."

Leon: "Don't even utter that bastard's name in front of me!"

Marian: "Emilio...you shouldn't say such things."

Leon: "..... I'm sorry, Marian...I was wrong."

Marian: "It's fine as long as you understand."

Leon: "Then, I'm off."

Marian: "Emilio...please be careful."

Leon: "Yeah, don't worry, I'll be fine."

Marian: "What's wrong Emilio?"

Leon: "Marian...  
...Sorry, it's nothing."

Marian: "....."

{Meanwhile...}

Rutee: "He's late..."

Stahn: "He said he had to take care of business.  
I wonder what he meant by that?"

Rutee: "I don't know! Don't ask me!"

Stahn: "I wasn't asking you!"

{Leon comes back.}

Leon: "Good. It looks like you were able to behave yourselves.  
Well, I would have caught you if you tried to escape."

Rutee: "You never know!"

Leon: "You fools! those tiaras on your heads work as homing beacons.  
We know exactly where you are, wherever you go.  
Don't even try to get smart on me, do you hear?"

Stahn: "Anyway, where were you?"

Leon: "It's none of your business.  
I don't have to answer any of your inane questions!  
Let's get going!"

{The party leaves Darilsheid.}

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#6--Straylize Temple-----[d.06]#  
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{Stahn and the others pass through a forest.  
They reach Straylize Temple.}

~~Straylize Temple~~

Leon: "Something's wrong..."

Rutee: "Do you think so too?"

Stahn: "What's wrong?"

Leon: "It's too quiet."

Rutee: "Yeah, no one seems to be around."

Dymlos: "Maybe everyone is dead."

Stahn: "No, they couldn't be..."

Leon: "Well, we're here to find that out. Come on, let's go!"

{The party enters the Cathedral.  
There, they find a priest lying on the floor.}

Stahn: "Are you all right?!"

Priest: "...The bishop...and the others... are...in the back..."

Stahn: "Hang in there!!  
.....?  
....."

{The party goes in the back. They find the bishop together with two girls.}

Stahn: "Oh, you're alright!"

Bishop: "P ...please spare these girls!!"

Stahn: "Whoa, hey, wait a minute! We've been sent here by the King!"

Bishop: "Wh, what? You gave me a good scare..."

Leon: "We've been dispatched by the King of Seinegald.  
What happened here?"

Bishop: "What happened? Maybe you can tell me!! I was visiting one of  
our sister temples in another country... When I returned, it was  
like this. Since I had to protect these girls, I couldn't leave  
here at all. In fact, I don't know how the others are doing..."

Leon: "...You really don't know what's going on, do you?  
Well that'll do for now. We're going to search for the  
Archbishop. If you value your life, remain here for a while and  
don't attract attention to yourselves."

Bishop: "I...I believe evil beings are still in the temple.  
Please take this with you."

{Stahn receives a Talisman.}

Bishop: "Please save the Archbishop..."

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{The party leaves the Cathedral and enters the main temple.  
They hear a person talking at the other side of a door.}

????: "Is anyone there...? Oh, Atamoni.  
Am I condemned to die here, trapped without hope?"

Rutee: "There's something strange about that door in the back.  
Let's check it out."

{The party checks the door.}

Stahn: "This door won't budge..."

????: "Is anyone out there?!"

Stahn: "Are you on the other side? Please open the door."

????: "I can't"

Rutee: "What are you talking about?!"

????: "W, wait. I've already tried many times but it just won't open.  
I'm telling you, it won't open."

Dymlos: "Stahn, a force field is blocking this door."

Stahn: "Force field?"

Leon: "How quaint..."

Chaltier: "We have to destroy the shield crystals.  
They must be around here somewhere."

Rutee: "We'll open it for you. Hang on."

????: "Thank you."

{The party explores the temple to destroy the force field that seals the  
door. They destroy five crystals guarded by some armed lizardmen.}

{The party enters the door that was sealed.}

Ayles: "Thank you for saving me. I'm Ayles, a bishop of this temple."

Leon: "What happened to Archbishop Marton?"

Ayles: "Marton...perished at the hands of Lydon..."

Rutee: "And, where is that THING?"

Ayles: "Excuse me? Thing? What are you talking about?"

Rutee: "Don't play the fool. I'm talking about the Eye of Atamoni."

Ayles: "How do you know about that?!"

Dymlos: "The Eye of Atamoni! The Eye of Atamoni?!"

Stahn: "Yes."

Atwight: "Oh, my..."

Leon: "Show us around this place."

Ayles: "I can't."

Leon: "I came here by the order of the king to investigate.  
Show us around. Now!"

Ayles: "B, but..."

Dymlos: {to Stahn} "Why did you tell me?"

Stahn: "I don't know. Didn't Hugo explain it to you?"

Dymlos: "No, he didn't!"

Atwight: "No, we didn't know about that."

Rutee: "Arrrrgh, be quiet!"

Atwight: "Hey, Rutee! Do you know how serious this is?!"

Rutee: "I just want the Eye of Atamoni so I can get the reward money  
from Hugo. This had nothing to do with you."

Dymlos: "Oh no, this is more serious than your petty concerns!!"

Stahn: "Calm down, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "How can I be calm at a time like this?!"

Rutee: "I said be quiet!"

Ayles: "....."

Leon: "Ignore them. They're a little funny in the head.  
Anyway, this is an order in the king's name.  
You can help us, or we can go about doing things our own way."

Ayles: "..... All right. I'll go with you.  
There's a cathedral to the left rear of the temple.  
Go there first."

{The party reaches the cathedral Ayles was talking about.}

Ayles: "This way. Please follow me."

{The party follows Ayles to the altar.}

Ayles: "This pedestal is the key. Watch closely.  
May Atamoni bless us with her mercy...  
...And with everlasting truth to guide our wayward path...  
Our guardian against darkness... We ask...in the name of the  
Goddess, to show us the way..."

{An entrance appears.}

Stahn: "Well, I'm impressed..."

Ayles: "Now, let's hurry."

{The party explores the area. They enter a room where water is flowing.  
A statue of a female can be seen in front of them. Ayles looks surprised.}

Stahn: "There's nothing here..."

Ayles: "No...it can't be..."

Leon: "What's going on?"

Ayles: "It's gone...the Eye of Atamoni is gone..."

Rutee: "What?!"

Ayles: "Philia...Why is she here?"

Leon: "An acquaintance of yours?"

Ayles: "She is an apprentice priestess studying under Lydon."

Leon: "I see, an ally of the enemy.  
I'm going to use the Panacea Bottle on her. Step aside."

{Leon uses a Panacea Bottle on the statue.}

Stahn: "She...she became human!"

Philia: "What happened to me...? Ph! High Priest Lydon! Oh, no!!!!!!!"

Ayles: "Philia, calm down!"

Philia: "Oh, sir..."

Ayles: "Will you explain to us what happened?"

Philia: "Y ...yes...but... Who are they...?"

Leon: "We came to check on the Straylize Temple by order of the King of  
Seinegald. What's going on?! You have some explaining to do."

Philia: "It's terrible! But the High Priest couldn't be...  
How awful..."

Rutee: "Hey, calm down. You're not making any sense!  
Who is this High Priest?"

Philia: "His name is Lydon. I was working on many research projects  
under his guidance but..."

Rutee: "But?"

Philia: "...I never imagined anything like this would happen."

Leon: "Don't bore us with your self-loathing!  
We don't have time to listen to your whimpering."

So, I'll make things really simple.  
Tell us only the important things! What did Lydon do?!"

Philia: "He stole the Eye of Atamoni that was kept in this room!"

Leon: "What?!"

Stahn: "The Eye of Atamoni?"

Ayles: "Oh, no!!!! What has he done?!"

Dymlos: "He took the Eye of Atamoni?!"

Atwight: "I can't believe it!"

Stahn: "What's the big deal?"

Dymlos: "You must get the Eye of Atamoni back.  
It shouldn't be in the hands of mere mortals."

Stahn: "Get it back? First of all, what is this eye of Atamoni?"

Dymlos: "The Eye of Atamoni is a gigantic Lens that has enough power to  
destroy the whole world!"

Stahn: "Destroy the world? Oh, come on..."

Dymlos: "The world once was on the brink of disaster because of the Eye  
of Atamoni痴 power. It was hidden and kept in the confines of  
this remote temple... How could someone steal it...?"

Leon: "Don't worry! Lydon won't get away from us!  
Looks like you won't go free anytime soon."

Rutee: "(Sigh) I guess it can't be helped...  
We're just passengers along for the ride."

Stahn: "Okay, let's go!"

Philia: "Ex...excuse me... May I join you?"

Leno: "An enemy spy traveling with us? Are you crazy?"

Philia: "I feel totally responsible for not stopping the High Priest.  
Please let me go with you."

Leon: "How can I possibly trust your words?"

Philia: "Please!"

Mary: "You can trust this girl. Her eyes aren't lying."

Stahn: "Yeah, I agree."

Ayles: "Philia is not a liar."

Rutee: "Hey, Philia...was it?"

Philia: "Yes?"

Rutee: "We may have to fight against Lydon.  
Do you still want to come with us?"

Philia: "Yes, I'm prepared to face what's ahead."

Rutee: "Good, I like her attitude. Let's take her with us.  
She might be even useful."

Leon: "Hey, who do you think is in charge here?!"

Rutee: "Okay, hot shot, do you actually know what Lydon looks like?  
Philia, you know him well, don't you?"

Philia: "Yes..."

Leon: "..."

Stahn: "Come on, let's take Philia with us, Leon."

Leon: "..... Stop referring to Lydon as the High Priest."

Philia: "I beg your pardon?"

Leon: "That thief is our enemy. Do you understand me?!"

Philia: "Ye, yes!"

Rutee: "How about that, Philia?"

Philia: "Thank you!"

Ayles: "The Eye of Atamoni is about 20 feet in diameter.  
I think it'll attract the public's attention wherever it goes."

Stahn: "Okay, we'll gather information as we go along and pursue Lydon  
and the Eye of Atamoni."

Rutee: "Well, I suppose we don't have any other choice."

Stahn: "Let's go!"

{The party leaves the main temple and checks on the bishop on the  
Cathedral they were in earlier.}

Philia: "...I'm so glad you're all right!"

Bishop: "Philia, we've been through unspeakable horrors!!  
...And where are the others?"

Philia: "...Ayles is at the back of the temple. I think he can fill you  
on the details. I'm going after the high priest... ...I mean..  
Lydon. When things settle down a bit, please see Ayles..."

Bishop: "Yes, I'll do as you say... Please look after Philia.  
May the grace of Atamoni be with you on your journey..."

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{The party goes back to Darilsheid to report.  
They meet with the king.}

~~Darilsheid , Seinegald~~

King of Seinegald: "Welcome back."

Leon: "Sire, I wish to make my report.  
The Eye of Atamoni was stolen from Straylize Temple."

King of Seinegald: "Stolen?! By whom?!"

Leon: "Please ask this woman for the details."

Philia: "I'm honored to meet you, sire. My name is Philia Felice.  
I'm a priestess at Straylize Temple."

King of Seinegald: "What happened?"

Philia: "The Eye of Atamoni was taken from the temple by High Priest  
Lydon Bernhardt."

King of Seinegald: "What happened to the Archbishop Marton?"

Philia: "Marton died at the hands of Lydon..."

King of Seinegald: "That is most regrettable...  
You must find the Eye of Atamoni at any cost."

Leon: "Yes, your majesty."

{Leon informs what happened to Hugo.}

Leon: "Hugo."

Hugo: "Leon, you're back. How did it go?"

Leon: "The Eye of Atamoni was stolen from the temple by high priest,  
Lydon."

Hugo: "I see...just as I thought..."

Philia: "I'm so sorry! All of this happened because I was too weak to  
stop it..."

Hugo: "Hmmm? And who is this beautiful young lady?"

Leon: "She is Philia Felice, an apprentice priest and Lydon's former  
mistress."

Philia: "No, I'm not! That's not true!!"

Rutee: "She used to work for him.  
She's helping us because she really feels responsible."

Leon: "Hah! Who can trust her?"

Hugo: "Well, in any event, we're counting on you, Philia."

Philia: "I'll do my best."

Hugo: "All of you, do your best to find the Eye of Atamoni.  
Leon, I'm counting on you."

Leon: "Yes, Hugo."

{Clueless on what to do next, the party gathers information.  
They listen to sailors as they are talking.}

Crewman: "I heard that a worker was moving around a huge piece of cargo.  
It looked like a statue...must've been quite a sight."

Four Eyed Crewman: "Yeah, a seaman got axed on the job 'cause he almost  
dropped the front of the package."

Crewman: "The package must be something really valuable."

Rutee: "That's gotta be it!"

Stahn: "Do you know where they went?"

Crewman: "Let me see..."

Four Eyed Crewman: "Oh yeah, I think they were going to Calvalese."

Leon: "Calvalese...that's Baruk's territory."

Stahn: "Who's Baruk?"

Leon: "He's an Oberon Corporation employee in charge of the Calvalese  
area. I've met him a few times before."

Stahn: "Then, maybe we can ask him for information..."

Leon: "I hope so."

Philia: "Thank you very much. Let's go tell the king."

Crewman: "That ship there is going to Calvalese."

Four Eyed Crewman: "There's been reports of monster activities recently, so  
be careful."

{In the harbor, the party sees the 'Black Wings' Gang.}

John: "Whaddaya mean? Why can't you set sail?!"

Crewman: "Because the monsters are out there and it's dangerous!"

John: "Huh? Who do you think we are?  
Hey, we're the infamous 'Black Wings' Lens hunter gang."

Crewman: "Yeah, and so what?  
I belong to the infamous 'Men of the Sea' gang!"

Milly: "Heeey, meeeester sailorman... If you let us on the ship,  
I might do this, and I might do that, you know. Do you know what  
I mean?"

Crewman: "Really? Well, uhhhh... Heh, heh, heh, heh, heh...  
Well then...what kind of THINGS to you have in mind?"

John: "She means I'll train you!"

Crewman: "...Thanks, but no thanks!!"

-Grid: "Hmmm...the ship won't set sail... Does this mean even Atamoni  
in envious of my talent...? Hah! It ain't easy being a hero.  
Ah, you're the one of those simple folk that crossed my path the  
other day. I see that you have more friends with you now.  
Well, don't follow me too closely, eh?  
If you're close to me, you might accidentally get associated with  
my greatness. Now, we wouldn't want that, would we?"

Stahn: "What in the world are you talking about?!"

Grid: "Listen up buddy, I told you this the last time.  
I DON'T SIGN AUTOGRAPHS!!  
Man, hasn't anyone taught you manners?!"

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{The party goes to Seinegald Castle.}

King of Seinegald: "What have you found out about the Eye of Atamoni?"

Leon: "I have some interesting news."

King of Seinegald: "What is it?"

Leon: "We have information that the Eye of Atamoni was disguised and  
shipped to Calvalese."

King of Seinegald: "What?!"

Leon: "We would like your approval to ready a ship for Calvalese."

King of Seinegald: "Leon, are you aware of the risks involved?  
Especially with all the recent monster activities....."

Leon: "Yes, I'm aware of that."

King of Seinegald: ".....Guard!"

Guard: "Yes, Your Majesty."

King of Seinegald: "Go to the harbor and have a ship ready for departure to  
Calvalese. This is a direct order."

Guard: "Yes, your majesty!"

Leon: "Thank you, sire."

King of Seinegald: "This is the only way.  
You must retrieve the Eye of Atamoni at any cost."

Leon: "I'll try my best to live up to your expectations."

{The party reports to Hugo.}

Hugo: "What did you find out?"

Leon: "According to what I've heard at the harbor, the Eye of Atamoni was transported to Calvalese."

Hugo: "What? Calvalese?"

Leon: "Yes. We've already got the king's permission to travel to Calvalese."

Hugo: "Excellent. Well done. That's the kind of forward thinking I expect from you, Leon."

Leon: "Thank you."

Hugo: "You must get the Eye of Atamoni back. Do not return without it."

Leon: "I won't fail you."

Hugo: "Marian will be waiting for your safe return."

Leon: "I shall bring back the Eye of Atamoni to you at any cost."

Rutee: "Hmph. Easy for you to say..."

{The party gets ready before they leave  
Once they're ready, they head for the docks.}

Captain: "I heard about ya. We can leave for Calvalese any time ya like!"  
Are ya ready?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Captain: "Well, get yourself on board, matey!"

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{The ship sails heads to Calvalese. Inside...}

Rutee: "The clouds are getting darker."

Stahn: "Is the weather getting bad? Or is it something else?"

Rutee: "What? Are you worried about the Demon's Reef?"

Stahn: "Well..."

Rutee: "Hey, come on! Are you a coward? Come on!  
Even kids know that it's a fairy tale."

Stahn: "But..."

Leon: "Oh, spare me. If any monsters appear, we'll destroy them.  
End of story!"

{A nervous crewman enters.}

Crewman: "M, m, mm mmm, monsters! Do something! Hurry!"

Leon: "Come on, let's go!"

{Stahn and his friends goes to the deck.  
There they see a dragon-like sea monster.}

Stahn: "What's that?!"

Dymlos: "What is a sea dragon doing here?!"

Stahn: "Hey, don't ask me!"

Atwight: "There's no chance of us winning against a sea dragon."

Rutee: "Well, isn't that nice?  
But as fast as I'm concerned, we're not gonna die here!"

Stahn: "Wha, wha, what should we do?!"

Rutee: "We're gonna fight it!!"

Philia: "Please wait!"

{Philia comes closer to the sea dragon.}

Stahn: "Philia! What are you doing?!"

Philia: "It's all right, Stahn... ..It's calling out to me."

Rutee: "Knock it off!! You're crazy!!"

Mary: "Philia is going to be fine. Let's go ahead and follow her."

Rutee: "Mary, have you lost your mind?!"

Philia: "...It's telling me to get on..."

{Philia and Mary gets on the dragon.}

Stahn: "Philia, wait for me."

Rutee: "Stahn! Have you gone nuts too?!"

Stahn: "I can't let her go off on her own!!"

Rutee: "Ugh! I don't care anymore!! We've got nothing to lose  
(...except our lives...)"

{Stahn gets on, Rutee follows him.}

Rutee: "Hey Leon, come on!"

Chaltier: "What do you want to do, young master?"

Leon: "Hey, captain!"

Captain: "Yes?"

Leon: "If we're not back in one hour, go ahead and leave. Agreed?"

Captain: "...Aye...Understood."

Leon: "They're nothing but trouble!"

Chaltier: "But master, you're the one who allowed them to accompany you."

Leon: "Silence! Who asked you for your opinions?!"

{Leon gets on the dragon.}

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{The dragon takes the party to what looks like an underwater city.}

~~Underwater Ruins~~

Stahn: "Where are we?"

Rutee: "It looks like an undersea city."

Stahn: "The architecture looks so different from modern cities."

Leon: "Philia, do you still hear that voice?"

Philia: "Yes. It's coming deeper within the city.  
I think we should go up to exit this room."

Stahn: "Fine, let's go."

{The party heads deeper into the ruins.}

Philia: "It sounds like it's coming from above us."

Stahn: "Can you hear a voice?"

Philia: "Yes. It sounds as if it's getting closer."

Stahn: "Okay, let's try to go there."

{After some more exploring and monster bashing...}

Philia: "I can hear the voice from below us... It's a lot close now."

{The party goes below, as Philia suggested. They explore the ruins more.}

Philia: "I can hear the voice from above us."

{The party follows the direction given by Philia. It leads them to some place that looks like a control room. A sword is lying on the floor.}

Stahn: "Is this the central area?"

?????????: "Welcome, Philia Felice."

Philia: "Who are you?"

Dymlos: "That voice!"

Chaltier: "Clemente!"

Atwight: "Can it be?"

Clemente: "Oh, it's you. You're spoiling this poignant moment..."

Stahn: "Are you a S...Swordian?"

Clemente: "That is correct, sir.  
My name is Clemente, an authentic Swordian."

Dymlos: "Clemente, the Eye of Atamoni was stolen."

Clemente: "I had a feeling something was wrong.  
That's why I decided to wake up.  
And I selected Philia as my new mistress."

Philia: "I'm not quite qualified to..."

Clemente: "You can hear my voice, can't you?"

Philia: "Yes."

Clemente: "Then that settles it. You have a hidden skill within you.  
All I did was to wake it up."

Philia: "But why me?"

Clemente: "Well, I prefer a young beautiful girl as my mistress."

Rutee: "You dirty old man!"

Clemente: "Oops. I shouldn't have said that."

Dymlos: "Clemente...I'm disappointed in you..."

Clemente: "Hey, don't look at me like that.  
Can't you take a dumb joke?  
Here, Philia, take me in your hand."

Rutee: "Hey, Philia, are you sure about using that thing?"

Philia: "What?"

Clemente: "What do you mean by 'that thing'?"

Atwight: "Rutee, watch your mouth!"

Rutee: "I know it's really a sword, but it's really a dirty old man  
inside. Think about what you're doing."

Philia: "Clemente is willing to lend me his powers..."

Rutee: "Well, yeah, but..."

Philia: "Rutee, you're a strong woman, so you may not understand what  
I'm talking about. I want to carry my own weight amongst you  
and not to be a burden...so..."

Rutee: "Well, I guess I'm wasting my time... Oh, whatever.  
Do what you want."

Philia: "Clemente, I'll accept your offer."

Clemente: "A wise choice, Philia. There will be many trials ahead of you, but I feel you will conquer them all."

Philia: "Thank you."

Stahn: "Okay, we should return to the sea dragon quickly..."

Rutee: "Yeah, we'll be in trouble if the ship leaves us."

{Philia now has Clemente. The party has four Swordians.}

Stahn: "Let's return to the ship."

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Captain: "It's been an hour...the poor bastards...  
But, hey, wait a minute..."

{The sea dragon returns with Stahn and his buddies.}

Captain: "What?! How can this be?!"

Crewman: "Aieeee! M...m...m...monster!!"

Leon: "Calm yourself!"

Captain: "You, you...are ya all right?"

Leon: "But of course!"

Crewman: "The sea dragon...it's going back..."

Leon: "The show's over. There's nothing more to see.  
Make haste for Calvalse!"

Captain: "Aye...aye sir."

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#8--To Calvalse!-----[d.08]#  
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{The ship reaches Calvalse Harbor.}

~~Cherik, Calvalse~~

Captain: "We've arrived in Calvalse."

Leon: "Baruk's office is located in the town. He should be there.  
Baruk is in charge of Calvalse.  
We need to get information from him."

{Looks like the people here doesn't welcome foreigners.  
Anyway, the party goes to Baruk's.}

{The party goes down to the basement.}

Leon: "Baruk is in the back room. Follow me."

Stahn: "What kind of person is Baruk?"

Leon: "Weren't you listening to me at all?"

Stahn: "Well, all I know is that he's the Oberon Corp rep who's in charge of the Calvalesse area."

Leon: "Then, what is it?"

Stahn: "So, what's the Baruk Fund anyway?"

Leon: "What does this have to do with you?"

Stahn: "Well, nothing, but can't I ask?"

Leon: "I don't have time to waste my breath explaining unnecessary things."

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "It's a non-profit foundation established by Baruk to focus on charitable activities."

Stahn: "Um, okay..."

Rutee: "...Did you get it?"

Stahn: "What's a foundation?"

Rutee: "It's a corporation established with seed money or trust fund provided by individuals and groups. It exists as a legal entity."

Stahn: "Um, okay..."

Rutee: "...Did you get it?"

Stahn: "..... No, not really..."

Rutee: "....."

Leon: "That's why I said it's unnecessary to explain to him. Let's go."

Stahn: "I'm sorry, Rutee..."

Rutee: "Well, it's okay. You don't know any better- you're a country boy."

Stahn: "That's harsh..."

Philia: "Stahn, don't worry."

Stahn: "You're right..."

Philia: "Atamoni's blessing doesn't discriminate. Even people from the countryside like you are treated equally."

Stahn: "Philia... Thanks for trying, but your words don't make me feel any better...."

Philia: "I'm really sorry."

Stahn: "No, no, I'm not blaming you. Please don't worry about it."

{The party heads to the back room, where Baruk is.}

Baruk: "Leon, good to see you. What, has it been half a year? Well now, you brought a lot of company today."

Leon: "They're not worth paying attention to at all."

Stahn: "Hey, why do you keep treating us like dirt?!"

Leon: "Say, are you in need of attention or something? No one said that you could talk."

Baruk: "Ha, ha, ha, ha... Allow me to introduce myself. I'm Baruk Songram. I'm Oberon Corp's regional manager for the Calvalesse region. It's a pleasure to meet you."

Stahn: "I'm Stahn Aileron. Nice to meet you too."

Baruk: "Hmm...I can see that you're a man of great potential despite your youth. A diamond in the rough, so to speak. I have a feeling things await you, son."

Leon: "Baruk, enough. All of this will go to his head."

Stahn: "It won't..."

Baruk: "Ha, ha, ha, ha... Well it seems Leon thinks highly of you."

Stahn: "What? What do you mean by that?"

Baruk: "He gives you a hard time because he thinks you are as strong as him. Right, Leon?"

Leon: "Was that supposed to be a joke? If it was, I'm not laughing."

Rutee: "I didn't think it was funny either!"

Baruk: "Now, all of you wouldn't consider a lower-skilled person as your rival, would you?"

Stahn: "....."

Leon: "This is nonsense..."

Baruk: "Of course, he'll never admit it. He's always been like that. But I suppose being competitive is not necessarily a bad personality trait... Well, allow me to apologize for Leon's lack of refinement in the manners department. I hope you all get along."

Leon: "Baruk, I'm sorry to interrupt but I didn't come here for all this silly talk."

Baruk: "Knowing you, there had to be another reason..."

Leon: "Has anything strange happened around here lately?"

Baruk: "Hmm, let's see... Ilene from Fitzgald sent me a report."

Leon: "What kind of report?"

Baruk: "Apparently the lens transport ships are being attacked frequently by a mysterious pirate fleet."

Leon: "A mysterious pirate fleet?"

Baruk: "Yeah, that's right. Although, we have no information on their identity, their target is clearly our company's lens shipments."

Leon: "I see... Did you hear anything about the Eye of Atamoni?"

Baruk: "The Eye of Atamoni?! Oh, no, please. Is that some kind of a sick joke?"

Leon: "It's not a joke. The Eye of Atamoni fell into the hands of a High Priest named Lydon. And we heard he was heading this way."

Baruk: "I haven't heard anything like that... But I'll start investigating on my end. Maybe people in the shipping business might know something. Could you go to the harbor and check that lead out?"

Leon: "Understood. We'll leave immediately. Do what you can on your end."

Baruk: "Yes, I'll do my best. By the way... Take things in the boxes over there. I think they'll be useful to you."

{Stahn checks a bookshelf by Baruk's desk.}

Stahn: "Rutee, what are you doing?"

Rutee: "All right, all right...Just hang on a minute will ya? Well..."

Stahn: "Well? This is..."

Rutee: "Oomph!"

Stahn: "Oomph? Wait a minute..."

Rutee: "Found it!!"

Stahn: "Found it? That's..."

Rutee: "Not yet..."

Stahn: "Not yet?"

Rutee: "Got it!!"

Stahn: "Rutee!! That's stealing!!"

Rutee: "Run!!!"

Stahn: "Rutee!! This is where I draw the line!!"

Rutee: "Oh, come on, I'm just kidding."

Stahn: "Grumble, grumble, grumble..."

{Stahn checks on the bookshelf on the upper-right corner of the same room. He finds a cook book.}

Mary: "This is..."

Rutee: "What? What is it? Oh, a cook book.  
I don't get to see many of these.  
Adventuring and cooking aren't exactly compatible activities."

Mary: "I kind of feel nostalgic.  
I used to make this dish all the time."

Rutee: "Mary, did you get your memory back?"

Mary: "..... No..... No, I don't think so...  
But, I'm sure I made it before.  
I know the ingredients, the preparation, its taste...maybe..."

Rutee: "All right. It may be a way for you to get your memories back."

Stahn: "Why is that?"

Rutee: "Are you stupid?"

Stahn: "Your abuse is really starting to annoy me, you know."

Rutee: "Isn't this dish a specialty of Phandaria?"

Stahn: "That's a good point..."

Rutee: "I hope you get your memories back soon."

Mary: "Yeah, I do too."

{Stahn checks on the bookshelf near the stairs.  
He finds a book of black magic.}

Stahn: "Ooooh...Wow..."

{Stahn reads it.}

Philia: "Shame on you!!"

Stahn: "Philia?! No, no, you've got the wrong idea..."

Philia: "You shouldn't fool around with black magic!"

Stahn: "I'm sorry..."

Philia: "You have to be punished."

Stahn: "What? Oh please..."

Philia: "Here we go."

Stahn: "Hey, wait a minute."

Philia: "Eeeiiiyeeahh!!"

{Stahn cries.}

{The party heads to the harbor, as Baruk suggested.}

Sailor: "I helped someone carry something that looked like a statue."  
I don't know where they went...I think a sailor named Jake knows.  
Jake should be staying at an inn in Cherik.

{Stahn and the Others go to the inn.}

Bell Girl: "Are you asking me about Jake? He said he had some business to  
take care of at the weapon shop and left a while ago.  
What do you want with him?"

{They head to the weapon shop next.}

Weapon Shop Clerk: "Jake? ...He went back to the harbor.  
Are you stalking Jake or something?  
That's why I hate strangers... By the way, are you  
buying anything?"

{They return to the harbor.}

Jake: "I heard you've been looking for me."

Leon: "Do you know about the statue that was recently brought to  
Seinegald?"

Jake: "Yeah, I saw that thing. It was huge."

Rutee: "That's it!"

Jake: "I heard the statue was going to be installed at some temple."

Stahn: "Which temple are you talking about?"

Jake: "Well, there's only one temple in Calvalse. Are you all on a  
pilgrimage or something?"

Philia: "What? Well, you can say that."

Jake: "Be very careful. It's not safe as it used to be in the past."

Philia: "We will. Thank you."

{Back at Baruk's...}

Leon: "We found out where the Eye of Atamoni is.  
It's at the Straylize Temple in Kalviola.  
He's probably hiding there too."

Baruk: "All right. He's all yours.  
I'll try to get information on the pirate fleet."

Leon: "Very well."

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#9--Straylize Temple in Kalviola-----[d.09]#  
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{Stahn and friends enter Kalviola.}

~~Kalviola, Calvalese~~

{At the weapon shop...}

Weapon Shop Mistress: "...Where is Tosh? ...I told him to study."

{Stahn passes by on the wall, outside the city.  
They saw a little kid fighting a puny Sea Slug.}

Tosh: "Hey! Cut it out! Stay the @#\$% away from me!!"

Sea Slug: "Glurrrp..."

Tosh: "What?! Do you wanna get smacked?!"

{Tosh attacks the slug.}

Tosh: "Ugggh...You're pretty tough. How about this!"

{The slug attacks Tosh.}

Tosh: "Agghhh... You no good bastard!!"

Stahn: "What are you doing? That痴 crazy!"

Tosh: "...Get the @#\$% outa my way! I'm gonna protect this town!  
I don't need no foreigner's help!"

Rutee: "...What an arrogant snot!"

Tosh: "Here I come, damn monster!"

????: "Hah! Once a weakling, always a weakling...  
You should have remained quietly at home!"

Sea Slug: "Slurrrrrrp?!"

{The Black Wings come to the scene!}

Grid: "You poor fools, be happy, now that I have graced you with my  
presence. I, Grid, of the 'Black Wings' have deigned to come  
here. You should be grateful!"

Tosh: "...'Black Who'? Are you completely nuts?"

Grid: "F, fool!! You're telling me that you don't know us?  
I'll forgive your ignorance for now.  
Now, listen carefully! John 'The Beast'!"

John: "Gwaaaaar! Grrrrrrr!!"

Grid: "Whirlwind Milly!"

Milly: "...I thought I told you not to call me that! It royally sucks!"

Grid: "And I'm the illustrious leader of the Black Wings- Grid, the omnipotent! The three of us are the 'Black Wings'. Fear us, demon spawn!!"

John: "Boss... I'm so moved by your words..."

{The puny Sea Slug attacks Grid. In an instant, the omnipotent is down.}

John: "B, boss!!"

Milly: "You can't dodge that stupid thing? How humiliating...!"

Grid: "Ugh...I was caught...off guard... You coward! Let's retreat for now. Retreat!"

John: "Awright, boss!"

Gird: "...Call me 'The Leader'!"

{The Black Wings retreats.}

Sea Slug: "Squuuuuuuiish!"

{More Sea Slugs appear.}

Sea Slug: "Wiggle, wiggle..."

Tosh: "Ugh...ack...I'm not afraid...  
.....I'm afraid!!"

Stahn: "Let us take care of it!"

{The party defeats the Sea Slugs.}

Tosh: "Wh, what's the deal here?! I could have killed it by myself!! Don't interfere in my business! You @#+%@^\* bastards!!"

{The party enters the Straylize Temple in Kalviola.}

Philia: "Excuse me."

Priest: "Yes, yes, how can I help you?"

Philia: "My name is Philia Felice, a priestess from Seinegald. I'd like to ask you something."

Priest: "Oh, a priestess. You must have traveled a long way from Seinegald. And now, what would you like to ask me?"

Philia: "I believe a statue has been brought here."

Priest: "No, I haven't heard a thing about any statue."

Philia: "Then, did Lydon visit this temple?"

Priest: "The High Priest has not visited here."

Philia: "Okay...I understand. Let's go."

{The party leaves the temple.}

Philia: "It's strange."

Stahn: "What?"

Philia: "I only said Lydon's name.  
But that man knew that Lydon was a high priest."

Rutee: "Is it that unusual for him to know the name of a high priest?"

Leon: "Please, spare us your ignorance. Lydon's not a high ranking  
bishop or archbishop! Priests at other temples wouldn't know the  
name of a mere high priest."

Rutee: "Hey, back off!"

Philia: "I believe Leon is right. This can only mean that he's somehow  
connected with Lydon."

Stahn: "Then, if we grill them for information..."

Leon: "I don't think so. They're just a bunch of useless underlings."

Rutee: "How about sneaking during the night?"

Philia: "Then, I'll stay at the temple. I'll be able to unlock the  
back door from the inside when it gets dark."

Leon: "Fine, do it."

Stahn: "All right. We'll stay at the inn and wait until nightfall."

Rutee: "Good luck, Philia!"

Philia: "I'll be fine since Clemente will be with me."

Clemente: "Don't you worry about a thing!"

Philia: "Okay, I'm leaving now."

{Philia enters the temple.}

Leon: "We'll wait at the inn."

{The party stays at the inn.}

{That night...}

Leon: "Let's go! Our destination is the temple."

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{Leon's party enters Straylize Temple through the back door.}

~~Straylize Temple~~

Stahn: "It's so dark..."

Philia: "Stahn?"

Stahn: "Is that you Philia?! Where are you?"

Philia: "Wait just a minute. I'll turn the light on."

{Philia opens the lights.}

Philia: "There are priest patrolling the place. Please be careful."

Stahn: "Okay, I will."

{The party explores the temple. Some priests finds them along their way.}

Priest: "Gah! Die, infidels, die!"

{The party defeats the goons. Someone shouts from nearby...}

Priest: "Please get me out of here."

Stahn: "What happened?!"

Priest: "What happened?! I was locked up by a bunch of goons who said they were acting in the name of some high priest!!"

Philia: "Was it...Lydon?"

Priest: "Yes, that sounds about right. Do you know him?"

Philia: "He used to be my mentor. Tell me what happened."

Priest: "I was performing my evening prayers in the cathedral. And this man named Lydon came visiting with a large statue."

Leon: "Hmph, that traitor..."

Priest: "They took over the temple and locked me up...and now, here I am before you."

Leon: "How many of them were there?"

Priest: "There were at least 30 men, I think."

Leon: "Are they in the cathedral?"

Priest: "I don't know. But there is an underground tunnel that's accessed from the cathedral..."

Leon: "I see..."

Priest: "Err...can you get me out of here?"

Stahn: "Sure. I'll open the door now."

Leon: "Wait, don't open it yet."

Stahn: "Leon!"

Leon: "How can we be sure that he's not a monster?!"

Priest: "W, wait a minute. I'm not..."

Stahn: "Man, you're too paranoid."

Leon: "I'd rather not take any chances. We'll leave him here."

Rutee: "I agree with him."

Stahn: "Okay, I understand... We'll take care of the enemy. You'll be safer here, so please stay put."

Priest: "I understand. I'm counting on you."

{Stahn's party reaches the cathedral.}

Stahn: "It's pitch black...is anyone here?"

Leon: "If there's really a secret room, they're probably inside it."

Stahn: "You're right. Let's look for the entrance."

{The party checks on a blue flame.}

Leon: "It's the same set up we saw at the temple in Seinegald...Do they take us for idiots?!"

{The party enters the secret passage.}

Stahn: "This room... ..looks exactly like the room where the Eye of Atamoni was kept..."

{Someone opens the lights.}

???? ??????: "What are you doing there?!"

Stahn: "Yikes!"

{The party see a group of priests coming.}

High Priest: "Ah, I see we have some rodents here. I didn't think you would be able to follow us this far... But unfortunately, what you're looking for is no longer here."

Stahn: "So, the Eye of Atamoni was at this temple."

High Priest: "Yes. But it was taken again by Lydon."

Philia: "I knew it!! Lydon was here!"

Red Priest: "Hmm...I saw you this afternoon! As I suspected, you were an imposter."

Philia: "Speak for yourselves!! Why don't you reveal your true identities!"

Blue Priest: "F, fake?! We're perfectly respectable priests!"

Red Priest: "We swore our allegiance to Lydon's vision- The Eye of Atamoni will control the world!"

High Priest: "And when that happens, we will reign supreme over the world. We will make them understand that humans are powerless before the great Eye of Atamoni."

Stahn: "Hey, you're no different than us!"

High Priest: "We're different from you fools. We have been blessed by Atamoni as the chosen ones."

Philia: "That's heresy! Atamoni's love is universal!"

High Priest: "Nonsense! The complex teachings of Atamoni are beyond the grasp of a simpleton like you!"

Philia: "No, Atamoni is..."

Leon: "Enough! We have no time for theological arguments! We have no use for you fools. If you tell us where Lydon went, we'll let you go!"

High Priest: "Oh, I don't know about that. But I wouldn't tell you even if I knew. All we need to do is sit back and watch Lydon's monster army take control of the world."

Stahn: "The monster army?!"

High Priest: "Do you know what the monsters' source of life is? It's Lens. Oberon Corporation's cargo ships are pirated for their Lens shipments. The Lens is then used to produce monsters."

Stahn: "That can't be!"

Clemente: "That kind of technology shouldn't exist now!"

High Priest: "Heh, heh, heh...it's only a matter of time. Lydon will assume control of weakened countries, one by one, with the power of the Eye of Atamoni."

Leon: "I'm surprised that Lydon was behind the pirating of Lens cargo ships near Fitzgald."

High Priest: "Even the mere interruption of the Lens supply to Seinegald will help our cause. It will disrupt their economy, because Lens is an important part of Seinegald's industry and finance. Since the Lens is also used to create monsters, it's truly a case of killing two birds in one stone. Well, I've had enough idle chatter. We won't allow you to interfere with Lydon. We will destroy you now. Attack them!!!"

{The monks, priestesses and bats attack the party.  
Stahn and his friends beat 'em all.}

High Priest: "Wh, what!? You will pay for this!!!"

{More monsters attack the party. Again, they win.}

Leon: "Hah, powerless lackeys. Well, at least we know what our next destination is."

Stahn: "Go next...?"

-> 1. Go to Fitzgald?

Stahn: "We're going to Fitzgald, right?"

Leon: "Exactly."

Stahn: "Okay, I understand. But let's call it a day, and find an inn so we can get some rest."

-> 2. Return to Seinegald?

Stahn: "We're going to Seinegald, right?"

Leon: "No, we're going to Fitzgald."

Rutee: "That's where we can find out more about the Lens cargo ships that have been attacked by pirates."

Leon: "Exactly."

Stahn: "Okay, I understand. But let's call it a day, and find an inn so we can get some rest."

-> 3. Go to Phandaria?

Stahn: "We're going to Phandaria, right?"

Leon: "Are you an idiot?"

Stahn: "Hey, who're you calling an idiot?"

Leon: "We're going to Fitzgald, you moron!"

Rutee: "We can find out more about the Lens cargo ships that have been attacked by pirates."

Leon: "Exactly."

Stahn: "Okay, I understand. But let's call it a day, and find an inn so we can get some rest."

-> None of the above

Stahn: "Let's see, where are we going?"

Leon: "Are you a moron?"

Stahn: "Hey, I just asked a simple question!"

Leon: "We're going to Fitzgald, of course!"

Rutee: "We can find out more about the Lens cargo ships that have been attacked by pirates."

Leon: "Exactly."

Stahn: "Okay, I understand. But let's call it a day, and find an inn so we can get some rest."

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{The party heads to Calvalse Harbor  
to ask the captain to take them to Fitzgald.}

Captain: "Are you going to Seinegald?"

Stahn: "No. We're going to Fitzgald."

Captain: "Oh, Fitzgald this time, eh? You'll almost go around the world. Very well. Are you ready? All aboard!"

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#10-Pirate Raid-----[d.10]#  
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{The ship arrives at Fitzgald Harbor.}

Captain: "We've arrived."

Leon: "We'll go see Ilene. She is in charge of Fitzgald region. We should be able to see her if we go to Rembrandt Mansion."

~~Neuesdadt, Fitzgald~~

{As they enter Neuestadt, they see a group of kids.}

Karma: "...Get out of the way."

Young Lady: "Why, a rich young boy is shopping at the harbor all by his lonesome. He looks like a servant! Ha, ha!"

Uppercrust Boy: "No, sis, he's an orphan, and he's certainly not rich. Mother told me that these kids had no parents so they were adopted by a rich woman."

Young Lady: "No wonder they're different from us. You and your sister aren't fashionable like us. Your sister is working every day, covered with dirt. She's so dirty!! Ick!!"

Karma: ".....(Grumble, grumble)"

{Karma turns away from the mean kids.}

Uppercrust Boy: "You're going home by the lower road. Your friends are there, aren't they?"

Young Lady: "There are so many children without parents hanging around. I'm afraid to go there."

Uppercrust Boy: "The town looks gloomy when there are poor people around. I hate it."

Rutee: "That's more than enough!!!"

{Rutee and Stahn comes to the scene.}

Young Lady: "What? Who are you?!"

Uppercrust Boy: "Are you telling us what to do?!  
We're not doing anything wrong!"

Young Lady: "Yeah, we're not doing anything wrong!  
Why can't we tell poor people that they're poor?!  
It's the truth!"

Rutee: "Grrrrrr! That's why I hate spoiled rich kids like you!"

Uppercrust Boy: "What?! How dare you talk to us like that!"

Young Lady: "Our papa is a respected man in this town!"

Rutee: "So what? What's your point?!"

Young Lady: "Owww...Why are you yelling at us?!"

Uppercrust Boy: "We'll get you for this!!"

Stahn: "You should go back to your sister."

Karma: "Thanks..."

Stahn: "Rutee, you're very kind."

Rutee: "I'm...I'm just doing what I think is right.  
Come on, let's get moving!"

{Leon's party moves on to the Lens Shop.}

Leon: "Ilene!"

Ilene: "Why, Leon. What are you doing here?"

Leon: "I heard your cargo ships are being attacked."

Ilene: "Yes. We've been having problems with that lately."

Leon: "I have a good plan to deal with this.  
Would you like to be part of it?"

Ilene: "A good plan? Well, come on in.  
I'll listen to what you have to say inside. Can you excuse us?"

Oberon Corp Employee: "Yes, no problem."

Ilene: "This way, please."

{The party follows Ilene.}

Ilene: "I don't think I've introduced myself. I'm Ilene Rembrandt. I'm  
the general manager of the Fitzgald branch. ...And those folks?"

Leon: "They are Stahn, Rutee...Philia, and Mary."

Stahn: "How do you do? I'm Stahn Aileron."

Rutee: "I'm Rutee."

Philia: "My name is Philia Felice."

Mary: "I'm Mary. Nice to meet you, Ilene."

Ilene: "It's a pleasure to meet you all.  
So, Leon, tell me about your plan."

Leon: "We'll be a decoy to draw out the pirates.  
When they come, we'll round them up."

Ilene: "...You make it sound so easy. They are very organized and good  
at what they do. We've lost a lot of shipments this month  
already."

Leon: "All we have to do is to catch their leader. Once we find out  
where they're from, we can do a lot of things."

Ilene: "But the risk is too high."

Leon: "You don't trust me?"

Ilene: "I didn't say that."

Leon: "Besides, these fools here are useful as well."

Rutee: "Fools? Useful? What do you mean by that?"

Ilene: "...Well, I guess there's nothing to lose.  
All right. I have no other choice.  
But please don't do anything rash.  
Remember, I'm the one who will be disciplined by Hugo...  
Don't make any mistakes. Do you understand me?"

Leon: "Yeah, I do."

Ilene: "You can use my house as you like until your departure.  
I'll get the ship ready. Please look for me at the harbor in a  
little while."

{At the harbor...}

Ilene: "Oh, you're here. Are you ready? Okay, let's go."

{The party gets on the ship.}

Ilene: {to Captain} "As I explained before, you must follow Leon's  
orders from now on."

Captain: "Follow this...kid?"

Leon: "Hey!"

Ilene: "Do you want to say that... He is too young?"

Captain: "Pardon me, but...We should select someone with more experience  
to be in charge here..."

Ilene: "By saying that, are you implying that I'm only a little helpless woman too?"

Captain: "No, no, no, I didn't mean to..."

Ilene: "Ha, ha, I was just kidding. But don't worry.  
This is being done under Hugo's orders."

Captain: "...President Hugo...I understand. Then, he's in charge now."

Ilene: "Well Leon, good luck!"

Leon: "I won't disappoint you."

Ilene: "I know you won't"

{Ilene leaves.}

Leon: "Captain, lets set sail right away."

Captain: "Aye, sir."

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{The ship sails the wide blue ocean.  
Inside, in thr dining room...}

Stahn: "(Sigh) It's sooooooo boring to just sit around and wait..."

Philia: "Well, you'll need to have some practice and make the best of our situation."

Leon: "You should be thankful that you have the opportunity to say these inane words while things are peaceful."

{Rutee enters.}

Rutee: "(Grumble grumble...) Arrrrrrrrrgh!  
That's it, I've had it! So, who's turn is next?!"

Leon: "Her loudness graces us with her annoying presence."

Rutee: "Shut up, you brat! Why do I have to go on watch duty?!  
This is so boring, I think I'm going insane! (Mumble mumble...)  
Find someone else to do it!"

Leon: "What an useless woman... Fine, Mary, you go next."

Mary: "Okay."

{Mary leaves.}

Rutee: "Arrrrrgggghhh!! I wish they would just get it over with and attack us right now!"

Philia: "That is the strangest thing I've heard.  
You want us to be attacked?"

Rutee: "Oh, give me a break!"

Stahn: "I think I know what you mean..."

Rutee: "Hey, Stahn, you'd better not start saying weird things too! Remember, it's our STRATEGY to let them attack us and get all of them with one swift blow!"

Stahn: "Well, yeah, you're right..."

Leon: "Hmmm... this strategy might turn out to be a mistake."

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "What do you mean by that?"

Leon: "I mean they are not stupid. They might have recognized that this is a trap."

{Mary enters.}

Leon: "What's going on?"

Mary: "The enemy is here!"

Rutee: "I guess they're stupid after all."

Leon: "Are you being sarcastic?"

Rutee: "Not really..."

Stahn: "Well, let's go!"

{The party hurries to the deck.}

Captain: "The enemy is attackin'! Get the leader of each ship so we can commandeer their ships. You're our only hope!"

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{And so, the party attacks the enemy ships. They get rid of the small-fry ships first.}

Ship Boss: "Can't we all just get along?!"

Stahn: "Okay, this ship is ours! Next!"

{After defeating the 1st ship.}

Captain: "Your fightin' was swift and magnificent! But they keep attackin' us. It's now or never! It's do or die! Attack!!"

{After defeating the 2nd ship.}

Captain: "Well done! We've got their backs against the wall! Now, finish them off! Go on, attack"

{After defeating the 3rd ship.}

Captain: "The enemy's leader has appeared. I don't need to tell you this,

but go and destroy the scum!"

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{The party storms the enemy's main ship. They defeat all goons that come in their way and reach the ship's boss.}

Philia: "Batista!"

Batista: "Philia?!"

Leon: "Who is this?"

Philia: "He is a priest who worked with me."

Batista: "I didn't think you would come after me!  
You should have remained as a statue!"

Philia: "Batista, where is Lydon?!"

Batista: "I'll tell you if you win this fight."

Leon: "You're the only one left. This is your last chance to surrender peacefully."

Batista: "Who do you think you are?!  
You don't know the gravity of your own situation!"

{The party defeats Batista after a tough battle.}

Batista: "Damn it!"

Philia: "Now tell us where Lydon is!"

Batista: "Lydon? Who? I don't have a clue."

Stahn: "What!"

Philia: "You promised you would tell us."

Batista: "You're so naive. Promises are made to be broken!"

Philia: "....."

Leon: "So, you think you're clever, eh?  
I'll interrogate you thoroughly when we get back to store.  
You've been forewarned."

Batista: "Hah! Don't threaten me, you little punk!"

Leon: "You'll regret your insolence later."

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{The party returns to Fitzgald.}

~~Neuesdadt, Fitzgald~~

Ilene: "Leon!"

Leon: "Ilene, meet the leader of the pirates."  
Ilene: "All of you have done well.  
I don't know how to thank you."  
Stahn: "It's no big deal..."  
Leon: "Ilene, we have to use one of your rooms."  
Ilene: "That's fine, but what for?"  
Leon: "I'm interrogating this scum. I need him to give us some  
information. I'll go ahead to Ilene's house.  
Don't waste your time sightseeing! Come straight to her house!"  
Stahn: "Okay, okay..."  
Leon: "Hey, walk straight!"  
Batista: "Okay, all right!"

{Leon, Batista, and Ilene leave.}

Philia: "Let's go."  
Stahn: "Sure."

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#11-Neustadt Tour-----[d.11]#  
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{The party heads to a room in Ilene's house to interrogate Batista.}

Batista: "You're wasting your time. I don't know anything."  
Leon: "We'll find out soon enough if you really don't know a thing.  
Mary, come here."  
Mary: "What is it, Leon?"  
Leon: "Don't move..."  
Mary: "Are you taking this pretty tiara off of me, Leon?"  
Rutee: "Hey, why are you taking Mary's off?! Take mine off too!"  
Leon: "One is enough.  
Besides, I don't trust you enough to behave on your own."  
Rutee: "What? I've been a good girl! I haven't done anything bad!"  
Leon: "You're interfering with my interrogation. Go sightseeing or  
something!"  
Rutee: "Why you little snot-nosed brat!"

{Leon activates the tiara attached on Rutee.}

Rutee: "Eeeeeeyaaaaaah!"

Leon: "Damn it, shut up!"

Batista: "What did you put on my head?!"

Leon: "The same thing that stupid woman has."

Rutee: "What's his problem?! I can't take this any more!"

Stahn: "Hey, where are you going?"

Rutee: "I'll be sleeping in my room!  
Wake me up if Batista says anything! Hey, Mary, you come too!"

Mary: "Okay."

Stahn: "Hey..."

{Rutee and Mary leave the room but stay near the door.}

Philia: "What are you going to do, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Well, I don't know..."

Ilene: "Are you free, Stahn?"

Stahn: "What? Well, now that you mentioned it..sort of..."

Ilene: "Would you like to go out on a date with me?"

Stahn: "On a...d, d, d...date with you?! Errrrr..."

Ilene: "Ha, ha. Look at you, you're blushing. You're so cute.  
I was just kidding."

Stahn: "Wh, what?"

Ilene: "I was kidding about the date part, but I'll give you a tour of  
the town. ...Or you don't want to go out with an older woman?"

Stahn: "Oh, oh, that's not it...  
Yeah, sure, I'll take you up on your offer!"

Ilene: "Okay, then, let's go."

Stahn: "Do you want to come with us, Philia?"

Philia: "No...I'll stay here. I'm worried about something and I can't  
get it out of my mind right now."

Stahn: "All right then. Try to get some rest, and don't worry about  
things that are beyond your control."

Philia: "Thank you for your advice. I'll be fine."

Stahn: "Okay, Philia, I'll see you later."

Philia: "Yes, enjoy yourselves."

{Stahn and Ilene leave. Meanwhile...}

Rutee: "Going out with that older woman... I can't stand it!  
(Grumble, grumble...) Hey, Mary, we're gonna follow them!"

Mary: "Rutee, aren't you gonna sleep?"

Rutee: "No! Just shut up and follow me!"

Mary: "Okay, Rutee. Don't get so upset."

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Ilene: "Stahn, where are you from?"

Stahn: "I'm from a village called Lienea in Fitzgald..."

Ilene: "So you're from here. I thought you were from another country since you were with Leon."

Stahn: "But Lienea is a country village and I've never been to a city like this..."

Ilene: "Oh. Is this your first visit to Neuestadt?"

Stahn: "Yes, it is."

Ilene: "Oh, good. I can show you around then. Shall we go?"

{Ilene and Stahn take a walk around town.  
Rutee and Mary are spying behind them.}

Ilene: "This is Neuestadt Central Park. These cherry blossoms are at full bloom right now. Those cherry trees were also in full blossom when I first came here..."

Stahn: "So you're not from Fitzgald?"

Ilene: "No. I used to live in Seinegald with my father.  
Are you disappointed?"

Stahn: "No, I didn't mean that..."

Ilene: "I love this town now but I really hated it when I first came here. When I felt bad, I came to this park and spent a lot of time looking at these cherry blossoms. Cherry blossoms are the same in Seinegald or in Neuestadt...or anywhere else. And that's when I realized that I was letting silly things bother me... I realized that living in another country didn't really matter... that's when I knew I could face anything."

Stahn: "I see..."

Ilene: "Shall we walk by the ocean?"

{Ilene takes Stahn by the ocean. Rutee is still spying on them.  
But Mary doesn't seem to be around.}

Ilene: "I think the ocean view from here is the best view you can get in Neuestadt. You can see the islands in the distance on a

clear day. The waves are a little high today though."

Stahn: "It looks like you could swim here if it was a little warmer..."

Ilene: "Sigh..."

Stahn: "Is something wrong?"

Ilene: "I can't swim..."

Stahn: "You can't swim?"

Ilene: "No...but it's okay because I don't like to get my hair wet... Besides, I've been so busy dealing with other things in my life that I never get around to learning how."

Stahn: "Oh, that's too bad...It really feels great to swim in a pond or a pool. Oh, yeah! I can teach you how to swim if you want."

Ilene: "Okay...I'll think about your offer. Shall we go?"

{Ilene and Stahn walk more.}

Ilene: "They're tourists."

Tour Guide: "A long time ago, Fitzgald was once a wasteland that no one dared to inhabit. However, Seinegald kingdom's public works initiative to exploit natural resources in this area... ..brought the prosperity that you see before you today."

Ilene: "Fitzgald was certainly reborn as a prosperous country. ...But this country lost something important along the way... I wonder if you can place a price on what was lost..."

Stahn: "What?"

Ilene: "I'm sorry...I guess I'm tired from too much work."

Stahn: "Are you all right?"

Ilene: "Stahn, you're so sweet."

Stahn: "I, I'm just...worried about you."

Ilene: "Thank you. I'm fine. Don't worry. Oh yeah, Stahn, shall we go get some Softy Kreems?"

Stahn: "Softie Crea...wha?"

Ilene: "You don't like them?"

Stahn: "That's not what I mean... I've never had one."

Ilene: "Okay. Then, let's get some. New experiences are important."

{Ilene takes Stahn to the Softy Kreem stall's side.  
Mary seems to be enjoying herself in front of the stall.}

Ilene: "Stahn, they sell cool treats here."

Stahn: "Sounds fantastic."

Ilene: "You know it's so refreshing to be with someone who's so good and honest like you, Stahn."

Stahn: "Good and honest? Aw, come on, that's a joke right?"

Ilene: "No, I think you really are. And humble too."

{Ilene and Stahn go to the front of the stall.  
Mary unknowingly leaves before they can see her.}

Ilene: "Two Softy Kreems, please."

Softy Kreeme Vendor: "Sure. It'll be 100 Gald. Here you go."

Ilene: "Thanks."

Stahn: "Hey, I'll pay half."

Ilene: "No, don't worry.  
I'm the one who asked you to go out on a date with me..."

Stahn: "Oh, but..."

Ilene: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "Ye, yes?"

Ilene: "There are times when you should let a woman take care of you.  
Okay?"

Stahn: "Ye...yes."

Ilene: "I'm glad you understand. Here, try it."

Stahn: "Thanks."

Ilene: "If your Softy Kreem has some letters on the stick,  
you can win..."

Stahn: "Like this?"

Ilene: "Oh, Stahn, you won!"

Stahn: "Really? Cool!!"

Ilene: "Take it to the Softy Kreeme vendor and they'll give you another  
one."

Stahn: "But I don't want one right now..."

Ilene: "There's no expiration date, so you can get one anytime you like.  
Let's see...shall we go to the arena?"

{Ilene takes Stahn to the arena.  
Rutee still follows them, taking Mary with her along the way.}

Ilene: "Two tickets, please."

Ticket Vendor: "Okay, that'll be 200 Gald."

Ilene: "Thanks. Let's go in."

{Ilene and Stahn move on inside.

Mary and Rutee run behind them, without buying any tickets.}

Ticket Taker: "Welcome to Neustadt Arena, where the strength and will of  
real men are put to the ultimate test!  
Please present your tickets!! .....Thank you. Enjoy!!"

{Ilene and Stahn get inside the arena.}

Ilene: "We're inside the arena now.  
Shall we go over to the spectators' seats?"

{Ilene and Stahn go to the spectators' seats.  
As they arrive, a man just defeated his opponent.}

Khang: "Give me a worthy challenger!"

Ilene: "That's the champion, Bruiser Khang.  
He's a monster, who doesn't know the word 'lose'.  
He hasn't lost in years."

Stahn: "He sure looks tough..."

Ilene: "I'll show you the waiting room. Follow me."

{Stahn follows Ilene to the waiting room.}

Ilene: "This is the waiting room.  
The arena field is right outside if you go through that exit.  
Shall we take a look?"

{Ilene takes Stahn to the arena grounds.}

Emcee: "Hey, we have a surprise contestant!"

Khang: "The next challenger is a woman?"

Emcee: "It looks like the challenger is Ms. Ilene of the Rembrandt  
family!"

Ilene: "Unfortunately, I'll pass."

Khang: "Hey babe, come on now."

Ilene: "We're just visiting today."

Khang: "Hey, you with the pointy head in the back.  
Do you want to fight?"

Stahn: "Po, pointy head?"

Emcee: "I see, the real challenger is Ms. Ilene's friend!"

Ilene: "Stahn, don't listen to them."

Khang: "What's the matter with you, little boy?"

Hiding behind a woman's back...how can you call yourself a real man?!"

Stahn: "Wh, what did you just say?!"

Ilene: "Stahn!"

Khang: "First of all, I don't like the fact that a woman entered our holy arena."

Ilene: "What did you say, you pig?!"

Emcee: "What's going on? It looks like they're arguing..."

Khang: "Ooooooooh, I'm sooooooo scared. Hysterical women don't turn me on. Anyway, anyone who's not willing to fight is trash! Trash should be thrown out of here in the dumpster!!! Good bye, pointy head! You're a sissy!"

Ilene: "How dare you say those things to our faces?!"

Khang: "I don't know if you're some kinda politician or what, but you're really beginning to get on my nerves!!! If you calm down a bit more, I'd let you be my girlfriend. Buwahahaha..."

Stahn: "Ooooooh! I've had enough of you!! I'll take you on!!!"

Ilene: "Stahn! Don't! You'll get hurt!"

Stahn: "He said things he shouldn't have... I can't tolerate trash-talking scumbags like this!"

Khang: "Hey! What did you call me Scumbag? Who's the scumbag?"

Stahn: "Well now, let's take a look around. Now, I see one right here, and he's this baldy standing in front of me."

Khang: "B, baldy?!"

Stahn: "I'm not gonna let this bozo beat me! Watch me teach him a lesson!"

Khang: "I'll beat you to a bloody pulp! It'll only take 3 seconds!"

Emcee: "Well, it looks like things are settled. Now, we're going to have a special match! Our champion, Khang, versus Mr. Pointy Head!"

Stahn: "Who's the pointy head?!"

Emcee: "Let's get readeee to rummmmmmmmmmmble!"

-> 1. If Stahn lost against Khang

Ilene: "Stahn!"

Emcee: "The winner is Bruiser Khang! Pointy Head has lost!"

Khang: "I expected more from Mr. Big Mouth here."

Come back if you dare!!"

{In the waiting room...}

Stahn: "Ooooooh... Oooooo, where am I?"

Ilene: "You regained consciousness."

Stahn: "Oh, yeah...I was at the arena..."

Ilene: "The champion wants to say something to you. Can you get up?"

Stahn: "Yes, I'm all right..."

Khang: "Well, um...I'm terribly sorry about what happened."

Stahn: "What?"

Khang: "You're a promising young man. I'm certain there will come a time when we will fight again. But when that time comes, I'll beat you to a bloody pulp! Mark my words!!"

{Khang runs to the arena grounds.}

Khang: "Get outa my way!"

Stahn: "What was that about?"

Ilene: "I guess it's his peculiar way of expressing his friendship to you. Shall we get going?"

-> 2. If Stahn won the battle against Khang

Ilene: "Stahn!"

Emcee: "Oh, my ...this is incredible..."

Stahn: "Watch what you say! You asked for it!  
Well, how do you feel now?!"

Emcee: "(Gasp!)...Khang lost the match!  
This is tremendous...incredible! The impossible has occurred!  
Oh, the humanity!!"

Khang: "Hey kid...you're not bad..."

Stahn: "I didn't win! You did this yourself!  
Well, we have nothing better to do here. Let's go."

{Stahn and Ilene leave the grounds. Khang cries.}

Emcee: "The head referee's comments have been release now.  
This match was an accident, a fluke. Therefore it will be  
treated as a non-title match. That means the champion remains  
the same. Khang retains the title!"

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{In the arena lobby...}

Ilene: "Stahn, you were trying to protect me, weren't you?  
Thank you..."

Stahn: "Well, err...not really..."

Ilene: "You made me very happy."

Stahn: "I just couldn't forgive the things he said..."

Ilene: "I like people who have strong convictions. Shall we go?"

{Ilene and Stahn return to the mansion.}

Ilene: "I had a fun day today. I hope you'll ask me out next time..."

Stahn: "What?"

Ilene: "Come on, let's go home."

{Stahn and Ilene go back to the Rembrandt Mansion.}

Philia: "Welcome back, Stahn."

Stahn: "Philia, how's it going? Do we have information yet?"

Philia: "...No, nothing yet..."

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{In the interrogation room...}

Batista: "Gwaaaaaaaaarrrr!!"

Leon: "Do you feel like talking now? We want information."

Batista: "I, I don't know...Ughhhhh..."

Leon: "Oh, spare us your heroics. All we want is information.  
By hook or by crook, we'll get it!"

Batista: "How am I supposed to tell you things that I don't know  
about...aghhhhh..."

Leon: "Information. We want information.  
You'll die soon if you don't tell me."

Batista: "I don't know a thing...aghhhhaaaaaa!"

{Batista faints.}

Leon: "Tough nut to crack, that one."

{Stahn and Philia enter the room.}

Stahn: "Leon!"

Leon: "Don't mind the mess. He just passed out.  
He still has some value to me, so I'm not  
about to kill him quite yet."

Stahn: "But, this is..."

Leon: "This is it for today, at least.  
But I don't think he'll give us any information even if I  
continue the interrogation."

{Leon leaves the room.}

Stahn: "Let's go, Philia."

Philia: "....."

Stahn: "Philia?"

Philia: "What? Oh, yes..."

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{Philia's memory flashback.}

Batista: "Philia? What are you doing here at this late hour?"

Philia: "Oh, Batista...I needed to research something."

Batista: "Like research something for... the Archbishop?"

Philia: "Yes, sort of..."

Batista: "Sort of...? All this secret cloak and dagger nonsense is the  
reason why you get stressed out and get sick."

Philia: "But this has to be done by tomorrow. I really have no choice."

Batista: "All right. You're hopeless by yourself, so I'll help you."

Philia: "Batista...you're so kind."

Batista: "Hah, knock it off...I'm not kind! Go on and do your research!"

Philia: "Yes."

{End Flashback}

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{At the Rembrandt mansion that night.}

Batista: "Damn it, that kid is merciless!"

{Batista looks at a mirror.}

Batista: "Ugh, will you look at this. My good looks are ruined!  
I'll take this damn thing off my head!  
Gaaaahhhggghh!  
Heh, how cute. I get an electric shock if I try to take  
the damn thing off... That low-life!!"

{Batista bangs the door.}

Batista: "Hmm? Hey, he forgot to lock this."

Ha, ha, ha, ha...idiots!"

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{The next morning, Philia is working in the kitchen. Stahn comes in.}

Stahn: "Good morning, Philia. You're up early."

Philia: "Oh, Stahn. Can you come with me?"

Stahn: "where?"

Philia: "I'm taking something to eat to Batista... He'll die if the questioning continues like this."

Stahn: "Philia... Sure, I'll go with you. Here, let me carry the tray for you."

Philia: "Thank you."

{Stahn grabs the tray and goes to Batista's room.}

Stahn: "Batista, we've brought you some food!"

Stahn: "Huh? He's not here!"

Philia: "Oh, no!"

Stahn: "He. hey!!! Batista escaped!"

Rutee: "What?!"

{Rutee runs to Stahn and Philia's direction. Mary is behind her.}

Rutee: "He escaped? How?!"

Stahn: "I, I don't know..."

Rutee: "Philia, you didn't..."

Philia: "What?"

Rutee: "You didn't let him go because of your past relationship with him, did you?"

Philia: "No! I didn't do anything..."

Stahn: "Stop it, Rutee! You don't know that!"

Rutee: "Well now, Stahn."

{Leon comes to the scene.}

Rutee: "I know now that you're really on Philia's side. But whatever the case, we need to make some things black and white in this world!"

Leon: "What's with this racket so early in this morning?!"

Rutee: "Listen up! Batista escaped! And..."

Leon: "Oh, that. I let him go on purpose."

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "You! Are you insane?!"  
Why did you let our only clue to find the Eye of Atamoni go?!"

Leon: "Calm down, you idiots!"  
Why do you think I put the tiara on his head?!"

Stahn: "Ahhhh!"

Leon: "That tiara has a homing beacon built into it.  
I can find out where he is by using my proximity detector."

Stahn: "So, you're going to let him lead us to where Lydon is."

Leon: "Exactly."

Rutee: "Philia, I'm sorry. I jumped to conclusions...  
Mary, let's go!"

Mary: "Rutee, you made a false accusation..."

Rutee: "Awwwww, shut up will you?"

{Rutee and Mary leave.}

Leon: "Come on, let's go."

{Leon leaves.}

Stahn: "Well, we should go after him..."

Philia: "Stahn...it's my fault.  
I was doing something that made Rutee suspicious of me..."

Stahn: "What are you saying? That's not true.  
As Rutee admitted, she jumped to conclusions."

Philia: "It's okay. I'm too naive..."

Stahn: "You're not naive. I think you're a kind person.  
In fact, you are who you are because of your kindness."

Philia: "But..."

Stahn: "It'll be a big loss for us if you leave us now.  
We're all working together."

Philia: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "Hey, don't worry about it any more...  
Everybody's waiting for you."

Philia: "Yes."

{Downstairs...}

Leon: "Where is Ilene?"

Maid: "I believe Ms. Ilene is at the harbor."

Leon: "At the harbor... Then it'll be convenient for us to ask for a ship."

{Stahn and Philia come down.}

Leon: "You're late!"

Stahn: "Sorry."

Leon: "Ilene is at the harbor. Let's go."

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Neuesdadt Coliseum--[s.01]#  
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{Stahn participates in the coliseum in Neuesdadt.  
He defeats all 8 monsters that were brought to him.}

Emcee: "Unbeeeeelievable!! Stahn defeated 8 monsters!  
This is greeeeeeeat!!"

Stahn: "I'm the champion!!"

Emcee: "Now hey, it's too early to claim just yet!"

Stahn: "You mean I've still gotta fight?"

Emcee: "It's him! It's him! The only one who can stand on the way  
of your path to victory. There can be only one!!  
Heeeeeeeey, kids! Who is this man?! He's our own..."

Spectators: "Khang! Khang!!! Khang!!!!!"

Emcee: "Yeeeeeeees, everyone! The greatest hero of Fitzgald,  
Bruiser Khang! Show us your power!! Here he comes!!"

Khang: "I'm the champion!"

{Stahn defeats Khang.}

Emcee: "Khang's reign is over!! The winner is Stahn!  
And he's only 19 years old!"

Stahn: "I'm the strongest man in Fitzgald!!"

Khang: "Hey, kid! I've got next!! Remember that!"

{Khang leaves the grounds.}

Emcee: "The age of Stahn has arrived!  
This is your first job as a champion!"

Miss Arena Runner-Up: "Congratulations!"

Miss Arena: "I loooooove strong men!"

{The Miss Arena gives the prize to Stahn.}

Emcee: "Please give the new champion, Stahn Aileron, a big round of applause again!"

{In the Waiting Room...}

Rutee: "Stahn, you were great."

Philia: "Congratulations, Stahn."

Mary: "You showed them."

Stahn: "Well, I've still got much to learn..."

Leon: "You're right. I could have easily won that with one hand tied behind my back. How long are you going to celebrate?"

Stahn: "All right, fine."

Leon: "Come on, let's go."

Khang: "Wait a minute!"

Stahn: "What do you want?"

Khang: "Take me with you!"

Stahn: "Why?"

Khang: "The loser should follow the victor.  
That's the way it should be. You defeated me.  
Take me with you."

Stahn: "All right. Let's go."

Khang: "Really?"

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{The party heads to Fitzgerald Harbor.}

Leon: "Ilene!"

Ilene: "Leon!"

Leon: "Batista escaped."

Ilene: "That's what I heard.  
And a transport is missing from the harbor."

Stahn: "I bet he's on that ship."

Ilene: "You're probably right, Stahn."

Ilene: "So, do you have any idea where he went."

Leon: "He went to Aquaveil."

Stahn: "Aquaveil?"

Ilene: "Leon, you're not going there are you?"

Leon: "Yes, I am. Prepare a ship for me."

Ilene: "Do you know that Seinegald and that country are practically at war with each other?"

Leon: "That's why I'm asking you to ready your ship registered in Fitzgald."

Ilene: "That's insane!"

Leon: "Would it be insane if I told you the Eye of Atamoni fell into the hands of Aquaveil?"

Ilene: "What! I didn't know that!"

Leon: "I am on a secret mission from the King of Seinegald."

Stahn: "We have to recover the Eye of Atamoni from them."

Leon: "Please, we need your help."

Ilene: "..... I can only take you there.  
But it'll be a one-way trip. I can't bring you back from there.  
Is that all right?"

Stahn: "That's fine."

Rutee: "We're ready."

Philia: "Please take us."

Ilene: "Okay, I understand...  
Captain, get the ship ready for departure!"

Captain: "Yes, madam."

Leon: "Thank you. I owe a debt to you."

Ilene: "Don't worry about it."

Khang: "Hey, wait!"

Stahn: "What do you want now?"

Khang: "Are you leaving this country?"

Leon: "Yes, we are. Do you have a problem with that?"

Khang: "Then, I'm staying here!"

Stahn: "What?"

Khang: "Anyone who abandons his country is a disgrace to the brotherhood of champions! Someone like that doesn't have the right to be called a champion! I'm staying here!"

And I'll reign as the champion again! Understood?!"

Stahn: "Okay, okay, whatever..."

Khang: "If you want to be champion again, you must defeat me.  
Buwahahahahaha!"

Leon: "...Leave this moron here. Let's go!"

Stahn: "Fine. See you again, Khang!"

Khang: "You won't see me again!"

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#12-Aquaveil Island Hopping-----[d.12]#  
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{The party is inside a ship that sails to Aquaveil.}

Stahn: "Hey, Leon, what kind of place is Aquaveil?"

Leon: "It's an island nation that has several territories.  
Long ago, Aquaveil broke away from Seinegald and became  
an independent country.  
It is still in a cold war with each other countries."

Stahn: "Hmmm..."

Rutee: "In other words, they're surrounded by enemies."

Leon: "That's why the world is in danger.  
They've upset the balance of power in the world  
by acquiring the Eye of Atamoni from Lydon."

Philia: "We must stop Lydon at any cost..."

Leon: "That is correct."

{Ilene comes in.}

Ilene: "We've arrived, Leon."

Leon: "Okay, let's go up on deck."

{The party goes up to the deck.}

Ilene: "This is where we have to drop you off."

Leon: "Where are we?"

Ilene: "We're near the shores just outside the Sheeden territory in  
Aquaveil."

Leon: "I'm sorry for being unreasonable. Have a safe return journey."

Ilene: "Please take care of yourselves, everyone..."

Stahn: "Thank you very much."

Ilene: "Good luck, Stahn."

Leon: "All right, let's go ashore."

{The party swims to the shore.}

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{The party enters the town of Sheeden.}

~~Sheeden, Aquaveil~~

Old Woman: "You don't look familiar. Are you from Moreau or Terazzi?  
I heard that the Lord of Moreau, master Zino, passed away.  
And a person named Batista became the new lord and threw  
the country into complete chaos."

Stahn: "Batista?!!!"

Old Woman: "Although Master Zino had a favorite son named Fayte,  
I wonder why that outsider succeeded him instead?"

Stahn: "Um...How do we get to Moreau?"

Old Woman: "Moreau is on another island. You can get there by sea."

{The party gathers information in the town.  
They learn that Batista is the new lord of Moreau.  
And It seems that Sheeden doesn't have contact with Moreau or  
any other territories.}

{At Sheeden Harbor...}

Crewman: "You want to go aboard?"

Stahn: "Is this ship going to Moreau?"

Crewman: "Sorry bub, but we can't go to Moreau."

Stahn: "Why is that?"

Crewman: "That area is very dangerous enough already because it's very  
shallow. To make things worse, there are monsters wandering  
around there now."

Rutee: "Don't worry, we'll take care of the monsters!  
So, can you take us?"

Crewman: "You, you must be crazy!"

Rutee: "I'm asking you very, very nicely (and I'm usually not nice).  
Do you want to see me beg too?!"

Leon: "Who's...begging?  
I realize we're asking too much from you."

Crewman: "Don't get me wrong. I just value my life."

Rutee: "...Coward!"

Stahn: "Fine. Let's find another way."

{The party finds another way to get to Moreau.  
They talk to an old man.}

Gramps: "You look like travelers. Do you need help?"

Stahn: "Can you tell us the way to Moreau?"

Gramps: "Hmmm...Moreau..."

Rutee: "Those sailors aren't willing to sail to sea because they're  
scared of monsters! Those good-for-nothing men!  
They're a bunch of spineless worms!!"

Stahn: "Hey, take it easy! There's no use complaining to him."

Rutee: "Then what are we going to do?"

Gramps: "...I used to work for master Arthur Sheeden, the current lord  
of Sheeden. His son was quite an adventurer.  
We used to explore caves that lead to Moreau all the time."

Stahn: "The caves to Moreau?"

Gramps: "Yes, Not many people know about it, but there's an underwater  
passageway to Moreau."

Leon: "Where is it?"

Gramps: "I believe there's an entrance near the coastline if you go  
south from our town. The tide is low, so you should be able to  
see the entrance."

Stahn: "Let's go there."

Philia: "Thank you, sir."

Gramps: "Oh, no problem."

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{The party follows the Gramps's idea and goes into Tidal Cave.}

~~Tidal Cave~~

{They explore the area and finds the Black Wings in a room with  
a Sacred Skill monument.}

Grid: "This is a legendary monument that is engraved with the words of  
a Sacred Skill...Finally...I've finally found it!!  
This means that I'll become a truly omnipotent lifeform...  
Heh, I'm so great, I'm running out of adjectives to describe my  
greatness!"

John: "Boss...I'm...I'm so...happy!"

Milly: "Oh, hi, Stahn darling."

Stahn: "Hi, Stahn DARLING?!"

Milly: "Oh, I'm so thrilled to see you again!  
We were destined to meet again..."

{Milly runs to Stahn.}

Grid: "Oh, you're that young man I met before. I know you wanted  
my autograph, but you shouldn't have followed me this far!  
That's overdoing it!"

Stahn: "That's not really why I'm here."

Grid: "Then, did you come here for this monument too?!  
Oh, that's why I hate amateurs! Do you have any idea what  
this thing is?"

Stahn: "Huh?"

Grid: "The words of a Sacred Skill are inscribed on this monument  
and can only be read by the chosen few!  
This isn't something that an ordinary fellow like you can read.  
You should give up on your foolish dreams now.  
Why don't you stand aside and watch until I get the Sacred  
Skill? Observe and learn!"

Grid: "John!"

John: "Yes, boss!"

Grid: "Can you read this?"

John: "Read? I dunno what is says, boss... B, boss, are you telling me  
that you can't read it?!"

Grid: ".....! How dare you even suggest that I, Grid, the  
Omnipotent, am incapable of reading these sacred words!!  
...Of course, I was able to read words from the sacred  
teachings!! John, you can't read this words because you lack  
proper training! If you keep training like me, the path to  
enlightenment shall open to you, and you too can read these  
sacred words!"

John: "Boss...You've been reborn!"

Grid: "Nothing is impossible for Grid, the Omnipotent!"

Milly: "...Oh, brother...gimme a break!"

Grid: "..... You poor, common people!  
I have learned the Sacred Skill!  
Can any of you read this words on the monument?!  
Well, see you again, young man! Farewell!"

Grid: "We're leaving!"

Milly: "Okay, see you later, Stahn darling."

{The party moves along.

They find a monster blocking the exit.}

Stahn: "What is this monster?!"

Rutee: "It looks like we have to beat this one to get through here!"

Mary: "Heh, heh, heh! Come on! Attack us!"

Leon: "It's coming!"

{An Orgus Queen together with other Orgus monsters attack the party. Stahn and his companions beat them all.}

Stahn: "We did it..."

Leon: "It looks like we can go through now."

{The party leaves the cave.}

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#####  
#13-Attack on Moreau Castle-----[d.13]#  
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~~Moreau, Aquaveil~~

{The party enters Moreau. The town is built above waters.  
It looks gloomy right now.}

{While they are exploring the town, they see a mother and child  
surrounded by guards.}

Mother: "Please forgive us. This child meant no harm to you."

Guard Leader: "Shaddap! This punk bumped into me on purpose!  
I can do whatever I please with him!"

Child: "Mooooooooooooommy!"

Mother: "Please, you can do anything to me but please spare  
him...please..."

Guard: "What should we do, sir?"

Guard Leader: "Oooooooh, you make me want to cry. Well, this is usually  
grounds for a public execution, but I'm deeply moved by your  
words..."

Mother: "You mean..."

Guard Leader: "I'll spare the child under special circumstances and punish  
him with a public whipping."

Guard: "Heh, heh, heh, I hardly ever exercise restraint like this.  
Be grateful."

Mother: "P, please...I beg you..."

Guard Leader: "What? Did you hear something?"

{Stahn back-attacks the guard leader with Missile Sword.}

Guard Leader: "Arrrrrgggghhhh!!"

Guard: "S, sir!"

Mother: "Oh, my boy!"

Child: "Mommy!"

{The mother and child run away.}

Guard: "Wh, who are you?!"

Stahn: "You've gone too far!"

Guard Leader: "WHAT DID YOU SAY?!!! I won't let you get away with that!"

{The guards attack the party.

Stahn's party takes them all down.}

Guard Leader: "H, help! There are intruders here!"

Philia: "I don't think we should draw too much attention to ourselves right now... Things are going out of control."

Atwight: "I think we already passed that point."

Rutee: "Then, it's time to get outta here!"

Stahn: "I agree!"

{Everyone hides.}

Stahn: "Did we get rid of them?"

Dymlos: "You idiot!"

Clemente: "Yes! What kind of idiot would attack like that out of the blue?!"

Stahn: "What?! I couldn't bear to watch! I couldn't help it!"

Dymlos: "Bah! That doesn't mean you have to go in there and start Aeth'er wars II!!"

Stahn: "Then are you saying I should let myself be caught by them?!"

Rutee: "We have no time to argue like this!"

{4 guards are looking for them in the other side of town.}

Guard: "@#%! Where did they go?!"

Guard: "They couldn't have gotten that far!"

Guard: "Leave no stone unturned! Find them!"

Guard: "Right!!"

{The guards split up.}

Philia: "What should we do?"

Mary: "It's easy! We just kill them, right?"

Stahn: "Whoa! Wait, Mary, wait!"

{2 guards appear at their backs.}

Guard: "There they are!"

Stahn: "Oh, @\$%!"

{The party runs away from the guards.  
They run into a bard.}

?????: "This way! Quickly!"

Stahn: "What?"

?????: "Hurry up! Do you want to get caught?!"

Stahn: "All right, all right!"

{The party follows the man's suggestion and hides down in the pier.}

Guard: "Damn! Where did they go?!"

Guard: "They should be around here! Search everywhere!"

Guard: "Yes, sir!"

?????: "Wait a sec."

Guard: "Who are you?!"

Karyl: "Me? I'm Karyl. People call me 'Blue Lightning'."

Guard: "Whoever you are, if you interfere, you'll regret it!"

Karyl: "Right on, gotcha. You really want to listen to my tunes that much?!"

Guard: "Huh?"

Karyl: "Well, if you insist..."

Guard: "What's this idiot yammering on about?"

Karyl: "Atchung baby, here's Karyl's song #1! Here we go, baby!"

{Karyl plays a song.}

Guard: "....."

Guard: "Leave this wacko alone! Let's go!"

Guard: "Right!"

Karyl: "Hey, hey, wait, wait a minute! Listen to the rest of my songs!  
Heh, they can't appreciate true art when they see it..."

{Karyl goes back to where they party hides.}

Karyl: "Yo, it's clear now."

Stahn: "Th, thank you very much."

Karyl: "Oh, no sweat. So, what are they after you for?  
What's your story?"

Stahn: "What?"

Karyl: "Although the guards are chasing you, you don't look like  
criminals. Lessee here, there's a swordsman from Seinegald,  
a priestess from Straylize temple, and a pretty girl...  
Well, you have quite a motley crew here."

Leon: "You seem to know a lot."

Karyl: "Yeah, you could say that."

Rutee: "Who are you?"

Karyl: "Me? I'm Karyl. I guess you could call me a wandering  
troubadour. That's what I call myself at least.  
So, I've got a question for you."

Stahn: "What is it?"

Karyl: "Are you after Batista?"

Stahn: "H, how did you know that?!"

Karyl: "I thought so."

Rutee: "Why did you have to tell him that?"

Stahn: ".....(oops)"

Karyl: "Well, if that's the case, I have a proposition to make..."

Stahn: "What is it?"

Karyl: "My best friend's been caught by that bum. I'd really like your  
help so I can rescue him... How about teaming up?"

Stahn: "All right. Let's go together."

Rutee: "Hey, not so fast, Stahn!"

Leon: "Don't go off and make decisions by yourself!"

Stahn: "But don't you think it's better to have more people on  
our side?"

Philia: "I agree."

Leon: "But we can't let a complete stranger join us..."

Stahn: "He just helped us. Doesn't that count for something?"

Leon: "...I understand. But we have to get Batista first.  
After that, we can rescue his friend."

Karyl: "That's fine. I know I'm asking a lot from you."

Karyl: "You guys stirred up the place pretty good, so I'll lead the way  
for now."

{Karyl stops on the way to the castle.}

Karyl: "Hey, hey, wait a sec! The guards are ahead of us at the gate.  
I don't think we can go in from the front."

Stahn: "Then, why don't we force our way in..."

Karyl: "No way man. If we do that, it'll be total and utter chaos."

Leon: "Well, then what do we do? Do you have a plan?"

Karyl: "Absolutely! Let's go down to the pier."

Stahn: "The pier?"

Rutee: "What's there?"

Karyl: "You'll find out when we get there, baby."

{They go back to the pier and talk to the boatman dude there.}

Karyl: "Yo! Can we get a boat?"

Man: "So, is this it? Sure.  
But please make sure you rescue master Fayette!"

Karyl: "No prob, dude. It's under control."

Man: "Are you ready?"

{The man lets the party ride the boat. It leads them below the castle.  
No one seems to be guarding it... Anyway, Karyl uses a grappling hook and  
enters from the balcony.}

Karyl: "So far, so good."

Stahn: "Where are we?"

Karyl: "This is the outer perimeter of Moreau Castle.  
We'll be fine once we get in.  
You're back in charge once we're inside."

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~~Moreau Castle~~

{The party enters a room near the balcony.}

Karyl: "Yo baby, we're here to help you!"

????????: "Karyl?!"

Karyl: "Leianna, how are you?"

Leianna: "How did you get here?"

Karyl: "Well, you know, from the outside."

Leianna: "..... Thank you for saving me."

Rutee: "So, who is she?"

Karyl: "Here's a little surprise for you!  
She's the wife of the next lord of Moreau."

Leianna: "The interior of this castle has been changed around quite a bit."

Karyl: "So, only the outside remains the same.  
Man, their taste in interior design really sucks..."

Leianna: "Karyl, please rescue him..."

Karyl: "No problem, just leave it to me. I'll rescue Fayette.  
You just keep cool and stay out of sight."

Leianna: "Yes."

Karyl: "Shall we go?"

Stahn: "Sure. Let's get them."

{The party explores the castle.}

Karyl: "Whoa, they have an organ. How cool.  
Lemme demonstrate my chops for you."

{Karyl sits in front of the organ.}

Karyl: "Well now...  
Huh?"

{As Karyl plays the piano, a door opens.}

Karyl: "Well, what now?"

Stahn: "I don't know..."

Karyl: "Awright, why don't you guys go ahead while I'm playing?"

Leon: "What? And you lock us in?"

Karyl: "Man, you don't trust me, do ya?"

Leon: "Of course not."

Karyl: "I guess we all have our issues. I'll tell you what.  
Why don't you leave a person or two behind to watch me?  
How's that sound?"

Leon: "Fine, whatever."

Karyl: "So, who's gonna stay?"

-> 1. Rutee

Rutee: "Are you ditching me?!"

Leon: "We have no choice."

Rutee: "Why do you have to say that?!  
Anyway, you better come back soon!"

Stahn: "Of course..."

-> 2. Leon

Leon: "I'll stay. I'll make sure that he won't do anything stupid."

Karyl: "Yeah, yeah, whatever."

Stahn: "Well, Karyl, we're counting on you."

Karyl: "Sure, no problem."

-> 3. Philia

Philia: "I understand. I'll be waiting here."

Karyl: "Whoa. No complaints here. I'm happy to be in the company of a beautiful woman like you."

Leon: "If you have time to chit-chat, hurry up and play something now."

Karyl: "Yessssssir"

Stahn: "We're off then."

Philia: "Yes. Please be careful."

-> 4. Mary

Stahn: "Mary, can you handle things here while we're away?"

Mary: "Sure, I'll be fine."

Karyl: "I'm glad someone like you is staying here with me."

Mary: "Flattery will get you nowhere with me."

Karyl: "Ooof, that's harsh."

Stahn: "We're leaving then."

{Stahn heads to the door in front. He gets a valve at the end.}

Stahn: "Okay, now. I've gotta go back to Karyl."

{Stahn and the others head back to the piano room.}

Philia: "Welcome back."

{Moving on, the party reaches Batista. }

Stahn: "There he is!"

Batista: "What an unpleasant surprise!"

Stahn: "Batista, there's no use trying to escape! we have you now!!"

Batista: "My, what big words from the mouth of a tiny little runt.  
I'm not running of hiding anywhere!"

Karyl: "Yo, what did you do with Fayette?"

Batista: "I've locked him up in a cell!  
I even have the key to his cell right here if you want it.  
Of course, that was a joke. Don't worry, I'll enjoy  
killing him after you."

Karyl: "Gee, it's so nice to know that someone cares about us.  
Now, I think it's about time I play a funeral march.  
A funeral march... for you!"

Batista: "Silence, you insolent punk!  
Do you think you can defeat me?"

Leon: "You stupid moron! Did you forget the tiara on your head?!"

Batista: "Aaarrrrrgggghhhhhh!"

Philia: "Batista, stop it! This is meaningless."

Batista: "Ugh, meaningless?! You make me laugh!  
This electric shocks won't stop me!  
This tiara is useless now! Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha!"

Stahn: "He's lying...Is he some kind of a monster?!"

Leon: "Your strength of will is admirable.  
But how long can you last?"

Batista: "I'll kill you before that! All of you!  
Come on, I'm waiting!!"

{Stahn and the others manage to beat Batista.}

Batista: "You'll pay for this!"

Karyl: "You killed Zino didn't you? ...I'll kill you with my own hands!"

Philia: "Wait!"

Stahn: "Philia?!"

Philia: "Batista, where is Lydon?  
If you tell us the truth, I'll guarantee your safety."

Karyl: "What?!"

Batista: "Philia, you're so naive. You're a fool if you think the world was built on kindness..."

Philia: "If kindness did not exist in this world, life would mean nothing to me. I wouldn't be myself if I didn't believe in kindness."

Batista: "What did you say?"

Philia: "I am who I am. Nothing will change this. Your words mean nothing to me anymore."

Batista: "Ha, ha, ha... You're becoming stronger, Philia."

Philia: "I am being honest with myself. Now, I'll ask you once again, where is Lydon?!"

Batista: "He's not here."

Stahn: "Then, where is he?!"

Batista: "Hey, fool! Take this."

{Karyl gets the key to the prison cell.}

Karyl: "What are you doing?"

Batista: "He's getting weaker by the minute. You'd better hurry..."

Karyl: "What have you done to Fayte?!"

Batista: "Being more honest with yourself..."

Philia: "Batista?"

Batista: "....."

{The tiara on Batista's head activates.}

Batista: "Aaaarrrrrgghhhhhh!!!!!!"

Philia: "Batista!"

Stahn: "Leon! Why did you do that?!"

Leon: "It wasn't me! He took off the tiara by himself. He killed himself."

Stahn: "....."

Leon: "Yes, it was a lethal shock. He's dead."

Philia: "Batista..."

Karyl: "I'm worried about Fayte. Let's get going."

Leon: "I know."

{Karyl goes ahead.}

Rutee: "Philia, let's go."

Philia: "....."

Rutee: "Come on, Philia!"

Leon: "Leave her alone."

Rutee: "Wh, what?!"

Leon: "Have you no tact or decency?"

Rutee: "What did you say?!"

Leon: "Just shut up and come along."

{Leon, Rutee, and Mary leave.}

Stahn: "Philia, stay here. We'll be right back. Okay?"

Philia: "....."

{Stahn leaves.}

{Karyl, Leon, Rutee, Mary, and Stahn rushes to Fayte's cell.  
Fayte is lying in the floor.}

Karyl: "Fayte! Come on, hang in there!"

Fayte: "....."

{Fayte wakes up.}

Fayte: "...Karyl...I'm saved..."

Karyl: "Are you all right?!"

Fayte: "At least I'd like to think so.  
By the way, who are those people behind you?"

Karyl: "These guys are helping me."  
That reminds me...I don't even know your names yet."

Leon: "I'm Leon."

Stahn: "I'm Stahn Aileron."

Rutee: "I'm Rutee Katrea, and this is Mary."

Mary: "How do you do?"

Karyl: "And who's that priestess we left behind?"

Stahn: "She's Philia Felice, a priestess from Straylize Temple."

Karyl: "People call me Karyl, the wanderer."

Fayte: "Ha, ha, ha, you haven't changed a bit. My name is Fayte."

I'm the son of Zino, the former lord of Moreau.  
Thank you for rescuing me."

Leon: "Don't mention it. This was just a natural outcome of dealing with Batista."

Fayte: "Karyl, is my wife all right?"

Karyl: "Yes, she is. So, what happened to you?"

Fayte: "King Tiberius made a secret pact with Lydon to plan the invasion of Seinegald."

Fayte: "My father rebelled against this plan, so he was killed off. In turn, I was imprisoned in this cell."

Stahn: "They're planning to invade Seinegald?!"

Karyl: "I can't believe the King is actually planning something like that..."

Leon: "Where is the King?"

Fayte: "He's in Terazzi."

Leon: "Is Lydon with him?"

Fayte: "Yes, I'm sure he is, but what are you going to do?"

Leon: "We'll kill him."

Stahn: "We won't let them invade Seinegald!"

Fayte: "That's absurd. It's far beyond your abilities."

Leon: "Ask yourself this then. Who defeated Batista?"

Fayte: "...Well....."

Leon: "We defeated Batista. We'll defeat anyone who stands in our way, whether it's Lydon or King Tiberius."

Karyl: "Yeah, they have a point. I know they can do it. Besides, I'm going with them too."

Stahn: "Karyl!"

Karyl: "Hey man, I'm not taking a 'no' for an answer. I've got some unfinished business with Tiberius that I need to take care of. I've got a score to settle with him."

Fayte: "You're not talking about Eleanor are you?"

Karyl: "That's enough. Don't say another word. Besides, I have other reasons. I can't forgive a man who gained his powers through corruption and lies."

Fayte: "But be careful. I heard he has a very powerful ally on his side."

Rutee: "That means he must have the Eye of Atamoni."

Leon: "That would be a reasonable assumption."

Rutee: "We'll find out for sure when we get there."

Fayte: "I understand. I'll get a ship ready for you at the harbor.  
Give me some time."

Karyl: "Thanks man, we owe you one."

{Stahn and the others return to where they left Philia.}

Philia: "Batista..."

Philia: "I'm sorry I made all of you worry about me."

Stahn: "Are you sure you're all right?"

Philia: "Yes, I am."

Rutee: "Philia, we know where Lydon is."

Philia: "Really?"

Stahn: "Lydon is in Terazzi, the capital of Aquaveil."

Rutee: "Yeah, probably with the Eye of Atamoni too."

Leon: "We're going there as soon as we're ready, but are you..."

Philia: "Please don't worry about me. I'm coming with you."

Karyl: "Great. Then, we should cool our heels over at the inn  
until our ship is ready."

Stahn: "Sounds good to me."

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#####  
#14-To Terazzi! Take King Tiberius down!-----[d.14]#  
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{The next morning, outside of Moreau inn.}

Soldier: "The ship is ready. Please come to the harbor."

Stahn: "Great."

Soldier: "If you'll excuse me..."

{In the harbor, the party finds Leianna and Fayte  
talking to the ship's captain.}

Fayte: "Are you ready to go?"

Fayte: "Fine, then we're leaving for Terazzi."

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{The ship sails to Terazzi.

Inside, in the ship's dining room...}

Stahn: "Karyl?"

Karyl: "Stahn?"

Stahn: "Who is Eleanor?"

Karyl: "....."

Rutee: "Hey, Stahn!"

Karyl: "She grew up with Fayte and me. She was Fayte's lover...  
But she passed away..."

Stahn: "I'm sorry I asked..."

Karyl: "It's quite all right. But you know, there's someone I'll  
never forgive until the day I die. I let people think I was  
just a harmless clown to disguise my true intentions.  
I've been waiting a long time to settle the score  
...Vengeance will be mine..."

Stahn: "Karyl..."

Karyl: "Whoa. Sorry I didn't mention to bring you down like this...  
A song...Yeah, I'll sing a song to change the mood."

Philia: "Good idea."

Karyl: "Awwwrighty then. Here's my latest tune..."

{They hear some noise.}

Karyl: "Eh?"

Stahn: "What was that?"

Philia: "It sounded like we collided with something."

Rutee: "I hope we didn't run aground."

{A nervous crewman enters.}

Crewman: "Good grief!"

Leon: "What happened?!"

Crewman: "Monsters!"

Karyl: "Monsters?!"

Crewman: "We're being boarded!"

Stahn: "What?"

Crewman: "Please get out! Hurry!"

{The party gets on the deck.}

Stahn: "What the?!"

Karyl: "Get it before the ship goes down!"

{The Kraaken attacks the party. Stahn and his friends successfully defeats it.}

Karyl: "Whew, that was harsh."

Leon: "But we should be able to infiltrate the enemy's headquarters now."

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{The ship reaches Terazzi Harbor.}

~~Terazzi, Aquaveil~~

Fayte: "We've arrived!"

Karyl: "Thanks, man."

Fayte: "We'll return to Moreau and bring more reinforcements here. Try to buy some time until then."

Karyl: "You'd better hurry up. That is, if you want a piece of my action. We might just have the enemy beggin' for mercy by the time you come."

Fayte: "Great, then so be it."

Karyl: "They're probably at Terazzi Castle in the center of town. No more sneaking around stuff now. We're gonna bust through their defenses and blow them away!"

Stahn: "Right."

{The party rides a boat that takes them to Terazzi Castle. They enter it.}

{The party explores the castle and reaches the King's throne.}

Guard: "Who are you?!"

Karyl: "It's me, Karyl, of course!"

King Tiberius: "You must be Sheeden's third son!"

Philia: "Lydon!"

Lydon: "Philia, what are you doing here?! King Tiberius, finish them!"

King Tiberius: "Consider it done! My sword shall feast upon your blood!"

{The party fights against King Tiberius and takes him down.}

King Tiberius: "Heathens!"

Karyl: "My father was forced off the throne, and Eleanor died of sorrow because of you... Now it's time for you to pay the price for all your evil deeds!"

Leon: "Wait, where is Lydon?"

Stahn: "He's gone!"

{The party hears a growling sound.}

Philia: "What's that sound?"

Rutee: "It's coming from outside!"

{The party goes out in a balcony. They see the Draconis fly away.}

Stahn: "Did he get away?!"

Rutee: "What a coward!"

Stahn: "@\$#! We came this close..."

Leon: "All is not lost. We still have a way."

Stahn: "Leon?"

{Everyone follows Leon back to Tiberius.}

Leon: "Where did Lydon go?"

King Tiberius: "I don't know...or perhaps I should say it no longer concerns me...He went to Phandaria."

Leon: "Phandaria?"

King Tiberius: "Ha, ha, ha, ha...I was fooled.  
Now I know I was merely a pawn in his grand scheme."

Karyl: "...You pathetic old goat!!....  
...How could you call yourself the King of Aquaveil?!!!!  
Take a good look at yourself Tiberius, and tell me what you see!"

King Tiberius: "This is rich coming from a buffoon like you, Karyl.  
You're right, I was a fool."

Karyl: "That's a lesson you learned at the expense of my father  
...you disgust me."

King Tiberius: "Say whatever you like. I thought I was using the power of the  
Eye of Atamoni... But in reality, I was the one who was used.  
How ironic."

Karyl: "He used you by promising to fulfill your sick dream of invading  
Seinegald!"

King Tiberius: "Dream? I think not. ...No, it's not a dream."

Karyl: "What?!"

King Tiberius: "This will become reality soon enough.  
Do you dare stop the winds of change and demons of destruction?  
Nothing shall be spared. Everything shall be destroyed!"

Leon: "Silence!"

King Tiberius: "Even if I end my life here, Seinegald shall follow shortly in  
my footsteps... Destroyed by the power of Lydon and the Eye of  
Atamoni! Ha, ha, ha, ha!!!"

Leon: "I said SILENCE, you fool!"

{Leon kills of Tiberius.}

King Tiberius: "Aaaaaaaaarrrrrggghhhhhh!"

Stahn: "Leon! What are you doing!"

Leon: "I'm sorry, Karyl. You should have taken care of him..."

Karyl: "No problem, man. You just saved me the trouble."

{Fayte enters the room.}

Fayte: "Karyl, are you all right?!"

Karyl: "Oh, you're too late. The show's over. Nothing to see here."

Fayte: "Did you defeat him?"

Karyl: "Yeah...Eleanor can rest in peace now."

Fayte: "I see..."

Stahn: "Lydon got away with the Eye of Atamoni and went to Phandaria on  
the Draconis."

Fayte: "What?!"

Leon: "We'll go after him."

Fayte: "I understand. I'll have Aquaveil's Black Cross Navy fleet  
transport you to Phandaria."

Stahn: "That would be great. Thank you."

Fayte: "It's nothing. I'm sorry that this is all I can do.  
Karyl, are you going with them?"

Karyl: "No, I'll stay here."

Stahn: "Karyl?!"

Karyl: "Sorry, Stahn. I can't leave Aquaveil now after seeing how  
messed up this place is."

Leon: "Don't worry. We'll defeat Lydon whether or not you're with us."

Karyl: "I thought you'd say something like that."

Well, I wasn't much help to you, but come back here anytime you like if you want to hear my songs."

Stahn: "Yes, we will."

Karyl: "Then, I'll see ya when I see ya."

Fayte: "I'll be waiting for you at the harbor."

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#15-To Phandaria! The Chase for the Eye of Atamoni-----[d.15]#  
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{Now that Tiberius is dead. The people are back to their everyday businesses. The party meets Fayte at the harbor.}

Fayte: "We're heading for Phandaria. Are you ready?"

Fayte: "Okay, we're leaving for Phandaria."

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{The ship sails to Phandaria. Inside, in the dining room...}

Stahn: "Damn it! Lydon got away..."

Rutee: "What's done is done."

Philia: "Yes, that's true."

Leon: "At least we know where he is going.  
We'll settle the score in Phandaria."

Stahn: "You're right..."

{A crewman rushes inside.  
What could it be now...?}

Crewman: "The enemy fleet appeared! Fayte needs to see you on deck."

Stahn: "I'll be right there."

{Stahn and the others go to the dock.}

Fayte: "They appear to be a fleet from the kingdom of Phandaria.  
But I can see the monsters on board even from a distance.  
We might as well consider Phandaria being under Lydon's control now."

Stahn: "What should we do?"

Fayte: "We'll fight, of course. And I need your help."

Stahn: "Yes, we're up to the challenge."

Fayte: "Very well, then let me explain how we'll fight them.  
You can move in 8 directions using the directional pad.  
Press the CIRCLE Button to shoot the enemy. Press the TRIANGLE

button if you need help. This will call up the reinforcements.  
Did you understand all that?"

Fayte: "I wish you victory. Okay. Let's take them on!"

{After beating the enemy ships...}

Fayte: "Stahn, the enemy suffered a total defeat! Brilliant!"

Stahn: "Really? Do you think so?"

Fayte: "We confiscated this item off of their ship."

Leon: "Our path is clear now."

Fayte: "Yes. We'll be entering the port of Frostheim soon."

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{The ship reaches Frostheim harbor.}

~~Frostheim, Phandaria~~

Stahn: "Thank you for your help."

Fayte: "Don't mention it... It's you who has saved me.  
I regret that I won't be able to help you any more than this...  
Please come and visit me in Aquaveil again in the future."

Stahn: "You can count on it!"

Fayte: "I'm sure Karyl would like that."

Stahn: "Yeah, I bet he would. I promise to see you again."

Fayte: "Yes, I'll look forward to it. I must now return to Aquaveil and  
rebuild my country. Everyone, take care of yourselves."

Stahn: "We'll defeat Lydon at any cost."

Fayte: "May you be victorious!"

Rutee: "Take care, Fayte. Treat your wife right, okay?"

Fayte: "Why, of course."

Philia: "May fortune smile upon you, Fayte."

Fayte: "I'll see you."

Philia: "Yes, thank you for your help."

Fayte: "Good luck!"

Fayte: "Oh, there's one thing! As you know, Phandaria is a very cold  
place."

Stahn: "Yeah, it's so cold."

Fayte: "You can find a Fur Cape in the town to keep you warm."

Stahn: "Okay, thanks for the tip."

Philia: "Thank you for your kindness."

Fayte: "Farewell, take care."

{The party talks to a crewman.}

Sailor: "Yer not from here, are ya? I don't know if yer lucky or unlucky. Every city in the country is occupied by them, mate. I hear the capital was captured too..."

Stahn: "...Are you talking about Lydon?!"

Sailor: "Aye, matey, it was terrible. He was stirrin' up trouble with a crew of mercenaries and monsters. Although the militia here took them on, they got their beatin' real good, real fast, and real hard, matey. Aye, in a way, yer lucky you got here after the liberation, but it's still a dangerous place. If you don't wanna meet your maker before yer time, get ye back to yer own country."

{The party finds Mary staring at the sea.}

Stahn: "Mary, what happened?"

Mary: "....."

Stahn: "..... Mary, is something wrong?!"

Mary: "Oh, Stahn..."

Stahn: "Mary, is something wrong?"

Mary: "No, nothing..."

Stahn: "But you look down, Mary."

Mary: "Are you worried about me?"

Stahn: "Of course."

Mary: "I'm sorry...I'm always causing you trouble..."

Stahn: "Mary..."

Mary: "I'm all right. This scenery made me feel sad...  
...That's all..."

Stahn: "Cheer up.  
I want to see you happy like the way you usually are, Mary."

Mary: "Yes...yeah, you're right. Being sad isn't fun..."

Stahn: "Okay then, let's go."

Mary: "Yeah."

{Snow starts to fall.}

Mary: "Stahn, it's snowing..."

Stahn: "Yeah, you're right."

Mary: "When it snows... I feel like I can remember my past..."

Stahn: "Oh, really?"

Mary: "Yes... But I feel sad somehow..."

Stahn: "..... If it makes you sad...  
Isn't it better not to remember your past?"

Mary: "I don't think so, Stahn."

Stahn: "..... You're right...I'm sorry.  
I hope you get your memory back."

Mary: "Thanks, Stahn."

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{The party leaves a town and enters a forest to the west.  
3 Soldiers are chasing the man who helped Stahn before, Garr.}

Soldier: "Hey, wait!"

Garr: "Arrrgh, is this the end...?"

Stahn: "Oh, this can't be...no way! Garr!!!"

{Garr is down. The party, led by Stahn, comes to the rescue.}

Soldier: "Ack! They saw us!"

Soldier: "Fine, leave no eyewitnesses"

{The soldiers attack the party.  
Stahn and his friends takes them down.}

Soldier: "Re, retreat!"

Leon: "Hah, they're always quick on their feet when they run away."

Stahn: "Garr! Are you all right?!"

Rutee: "Do you know him?"

Stahn: "He saved my life."

Philia: "He's unconscious."

Stahn: "Let's take him to a town."

{The party takes Garr to Daybreak Inn, in Frostheim.}

Stahn: "He regained consciousness!"

Garr: "Where am I?"

Stahn: "Garr, are you all right?"

Garr: "You're..."

Stahn: "I'm Stahn. You helped me back on the snow mountain."

Garr: "Oh, I remember now..."

Stahn: "Yeah, do you remember now? So, what happened to you?"

Garr: "Heidelberg was attacked, and I barely escaped capture."

Stahn: "What about Lydon? Is the Eye of Atamoni in Phandaria?"

Garr: "The Eye of Atamoni? Is that what they call that thing? It's probably at the castle now. But the castle has been turned into an enemy stronghold."

Clemente: "Are you from a royal family? And are you also a Swordian user?"

Dymlos: "Th...this man is a king?!"

Garr: "Yes, I am of royal blood.  
I know you didn't like me at the cabin...  
...But, I hope we can somehow get along, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "Why...why, yes."

Stahn: "That's why you knew my name..."

Garr: "I could hear Dymlos's voice. I didn't mean to trick you..."

Clemente: "Wasn't Igtenos kept in Phandaria?"

Garr: "...Unfortunately, Igtenos fell into enemy hands."

Leon: "Hmmm, that's a problem... They have a Swordian now."

Stahn: "Let's go to Heidelberg! At least we now know where we can find the Eye of Atamoni!"

Rutee: "Yeah...this might be our chance!"

Leon: "Good grief, you two are hopelessly optimistic...  
Fine, I'll humor you and go with you."

Garr: "Then, allow me to join you as well.  
At least I'm more familiar with the geography of Phandaria than you."

Stahn: "But you're not in any condition..."

Garr: "Not to worry. I was just a little tired."

Leon: "Well, last thing I need is more dead weight.  
My hands are already full dealing with this fools..."

Garr: "Trust me, I won't get in your way."

{Stahn's party leaves the inn.}

Garr: "Let me explain the two routes we can use to Heidelberg  
The first route is to go west through Tilso Forest, and then  
through the town of Cyril. But Lydon's army blocks this route,  
so it'll be difficult to get through.

Garr: Another route is to enter Heidelberg from the mountains behind  
the city. To use this route, we need to walk along the frozen  
river from the cave north of this town.  
This route will take us to the back side of Heidelberg.  
This route is difficult, but there is a good chance we won't  
attract attention from Lydon's army."

Leon: "Are you sure of that?"

Garr: "The frozen river to the north is so cold that you'll need the  
Fur Cape to survive the bitter cold. Besides, only people in  
this country would think of walking on the frozen river, right?"

Leon: "This makes sense. Okay, let's go that way."

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{The party explores the Frozen River. A huge chunk of ice is in their way.}

Stahn: "A huge chunk of ice is in our way."

Garr: "Stahn, use this ring."

Stahn: "What's that?"

Garr: "It's called the 'Sorcerer's Ring' and it fires a beam of light  
by using Lens energy."

Stahn: "Then..."

Garr: "Yes, it will be easy to melt this ice with it.  
But be careful. If you run out of Lens, you can't fire the beam."

Stahn: "Okay, thanks. Let's give it a try."

{Stahn uses the Sorcerer's Ring at the chunk of ice.}

Stahn: "Okay, we can get through now."

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#16-Precious Memory, Mary's Love Story-----[d.16]#  
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{Before heading to Heidelberg, the party stops by Cyril.  
The town is located south of Heidelberg.}

~~Cyril, Phandaria~~

Mary: "This town is..."

Stahn: "Mary, what's wrong?!"

Mary: "Deja vu?"

Stahn: "Mary, do you know this place?"

Mary: "Maybe it's just my... No...It's not my imagination!  
The name of this town is Cyril. And I lived in this town."

Stahn: "Mary, you remembered something."

Mary: "Yeah...but it's not enough...  
I can't remember...something important."

Stahn: "Mary..."

Mary: "Don't look so worried."

Stahn: "But..."

Mary: "I'm fine..."

Stahn: "I really hope so..."

Mary: "But there is something in this town..."

{No one seems to be around. Every door in this town is locked,  
except for the house in the south west. The party enters it.}

Mary: "This is... The house I used to live in..."

{Mary checks a flower vase.}

Mary: "This is a Piyo flower. It only grows on the north ridge of the  
Heidelberg mountains... This flower is also known as  
'Precious Memory'. My mother taught me this...  
What is it doing here?"

{Mary checks the kitchen.}

Mary: "This brings back memories... I used to cook here...  
I made his favorite dish here...  
..... 'His'? ..... I can't remember..."

{Mary checks the fireplace.}

Mary: "There's fire in the fireplace...  
...Does someone live here?  
...Who can it be?  
.....  
We used to try to keep each other warm in front of this  
fireplace...I miss those days..."

{Mary checks the desk.}

Mary: "This desk... I could barely read or write...  
So he taught me... Who was he?  
I can't remember..."

{Mary checks the bookshelf.}

Mary: "Oh... This is the first book I read.  
Since I could only read a little at that time, he  
helped me read this book... I can't believe how hard it is  
to remember things..."

{Mary checks the bed on the left}

Mary: "This bed was his... But when I first came to stay in this house,  
I slept on this bed for a while... He wound up sleeping on the  
table or on the floor.

{Mary looks on the right bed.}

Mary: "And he... He made this bed for me. I used to...  
...look at him until I fell asleep..."

Mary: "Stahn... I remember most of it now.  
More than 10 years ago...  
I began to live in this town.  
Someone in this house saved my life...  
And then, I came to this house to live with him..."

Stahn: "Who was he?"

Mary: "I can't remember..."

Stahn: "What happened after that?"

Mary: "I can't remember that either..."

Stahn: "I see... That's a shame."

Mary: "I'm sure this town and this house played a major part  
in my life.  
That's why all of this has stayed so clearly in my mind."

Stahn: "So, if you can meet the person you lived with..."

Mary: "Yes, I think I should be able to remember everything..."

Stahn: "I see..."

Mary: "Sorry for wasting your time. Come on, let's go."

Stahn: "Don't you want to meet the person who lives here now?"

Mary: "I can do that anytime I want. We have to go to Heidelberg and  
get Lydon as soon as possible."

Stahn: "But as long as we're here..."

Mary: "Stahn, we have to get our priorities straight in life.  
My personal life should be at the bottom of our priorities  
right now..."

Stahn: "..... I understand."

{The party reaches Heidelberg. There are a few people on the town.  
Most of them are soldiers. The party heads to the  
castle's entrance to the north.}

Garr: "This is the castle."

Stahn: "Lydon is here..."

{Someone comes out of the castle.}

?????: "What? Hey, what are you doing there?"

Stahn: "We're just...taking a walk. You know, a walk."

?????: "I don't know what you're doing. Don't come near the castle.  
It's dangerous here. If you get in trouble, don't say I didn't  
warn you."

Stahn: "Sure, I understand. We'll be careful."

?????: "If you understand, go home now."

Mary: "He sounds familiar."

Rutee: "Mary?"

{Mary approaches the man.}

?????: "What do you want from me?"

Mary: "Have you seen this before?"

{Mary shows the sword she showed Stahn before, the one she had before she  
met Rutee.}

Guard: "Master Dalis!"

Dalis: "Don't panic!"

Mary: "Dalis?! Are you Dalis?"

Dalis: ".....Yes. Th, that...sword!  
Why do you have that sword, woman?! Who are you?!"

Guard: "Master Dalis, what's wrong?"

Guard: "It's you, Garr Kelvin!"

Garr: "Damn!! Split up everyone!"

Guard: "Intruders! Intruders!! Garr is here!"

{Stahn and the others run, almost leaving Mary.}

Mary: "Dalis, I found you."

Rutee: "Mary!"

Stahn: "Rutee, what are you doing?!"

Rutee: "We can't leave Mary behind!!"

Stahn: "%\$#@! Damn it!"

Philia: "Stahn! Rutee!"

Stahn: "Philia, don't worry about us! Run! Get out of here!"

Philia: "But..."

Stahn: "Don't argue, hurry up!"

{Philia runs.}

Dalis: "Don't let them go! Surround them!"

Guard: "Yes sir!"

{Soldiers surround Stahn, Rutee, and Mary.}

Stahn: "%@#@! No!!!"

{The soldiers take the three to jail.}

Stahn: "Garr and the others... I wonder if they're okay?"

Rutee: "I hope so. I don't want to stick around here for too long"

Stahn: "Damn it! If only I had Dymlos, I could have easily broken these steel bars!"

Dalis: "What's wrong with them?"

Rutee: "Hey you! How long are you going to keep us cooped up in this stinking place?! Hurry up and let us go!"

Dalis: "I have no use for you. Be quiet."

Rutee: "What?! You locked us up and now you're saying you have no use for us?!"

Mary: "Dalis, did you come to let us out?"

Dalis: "You, woman, step out. I have questions for you."

Mary: "Sure."

{Dalis opens Mary's cage and takes her away.}

Stahn: "Mary! ...What happened to Mary?"

Rutee: "Yeah, she was acting so weird. Even weirder than usual."

Stahn: "Weirder than usual?"

Rutee: "...No, can't be..."

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "She must have remembered something! Because she told me before that her sword is the only clue she had..."

Stahn: "Th...then!"

Rutee: "She probably got her memories back."

Stahn: "That's great!"

Stahn & Rutee: "....."

Stahn: "But..."

Rutee: "We've gotta somehow get out of this stupid place..."

Stahn: "That reminds me..."

Rutee: "What?"

Stahn: "We were jailed before because of a certain someone..."

Rutee: "Wh, what are you talking about?!  
That wasn't... that wasn't my fault!  
Blame it on that little brat!"

{The tiara on Rutee's head suddenly activates.}

Rutee: "Ayieeeeeee!"

{Leon, Garr, and Philia enters the dungeon.}

Leon: "Watch your mouth..."

Stahn: "Leon?!"

Leon: "I thought I came here to rescue you and now this! You fools..."

{Leon opens Stahn's cage.}

Garr: "Are you all right?"

Philia: "I was worried."

Stahn: "I was worried about you too!"

Garr: "Stahn, here is your Swordian!"

Stahn: "Thanks."

{Leon opens Rutee's cage.}

Stahn: "How did you find us?"

Leon: "Have you forgotten what you have on your heads?"

Stahn: "Yeah...that explains it."

Rutee: "Come on, let's hurry up and come after Mary!  
She was taken by a man called Dalis!"

Stahn: "That's right!"

Garr: "What?!"

Leon: "I didn't see anyone leaving."

Philia: "Then...they went upstairs."

Stahn: "Let's go."

{The party goes upstairs on the Guard Station's office.}

Stahn: "I hear someone talking..."

{The Stahn and the others start eavesdropping.}

Dalis: "Why do you have this sword? Tell me why."

Mary: "Because I'm your wife."

Dalis: "Wife? That's amusing. Because my wife... ..is dead."

Mary: "I'm not dead. Dalis, you helped me escape."

Dalis: "She's dead! She died because she was a fool and turned against Lydon!"

Mary: "I'm alive. Dalis, you saved my life twice."

Dalis: "There's no way you can be my wife."

Mary: "You've only forgotten. Remember the town of Cyril!"

Dalis: "I am from Cyril but...  
What does Cyril have to do with you and me?"

Mary: "Dalis, you've forgotten everything?"

Dalis: "I haven't forgotten anything. I've served under master Lydon for a long time."

Mary: "You're lying!"

Dalis: "I'm not lying."

Mary: "Dalis, since I met you...  
...I remembered everything about my past."

Dalis: "Now, what do you remember?"

Mary: "Why I lost my memories...  
...And what was happening at that time."

Dalis: "Why don't you amuse me with your story?  
Tell me about your memories."

Mary: "....."

Dalis: "What now? You're probably going to say that you and I were husband and wife... living in Cyril, right?"

Mary: "Yes... We lived peaceful lives. Until the time when our town was engulfed in flames..."

Dalis: "Engulfed in flames? What do you mean by that? I lived in Cyril for a long time, but Cyril has never had a big fire."

Mary: "Yes it has. I remember so clearly now. It's almost impossible for me to believe that I couldn't remember this until yesterday."

Dalis: "..... Continue..."

Mary: "I'll start from the beginning."

Dalis: "Fine..."

Mary: "More than 10 years ago, Phandaria was in an era of civil unrest and anarchy. Cyril had it's own militia at the time to protect itself.

Mary: There was a big battle in Tilso Forest, which lies between Cyril and Frostheim. I don't know the outcome of the battle, but the peace and stability of the area was greatly upset. The Cyril militia posted sentries around the town in an attempt to protect it from intruders...

Mary: One early morning, a young swordsman of the militia on sentry duty discovered an intruder. The intruder sat dazed next to the parapet in dirty, ragged clothes... Dressed in armor with metal plating torn off... She clutched tightly onto a worn-out sword as if she were embracing it...

Mary: Of course, the young swordsman knew right away that she was a survivor of a defeated army... Her face showed signs of exhaustion from hunger and the cold. He saw that there were tears welled up in her frightened eyes. Knowing very well how a prisoner of war would be treated after capture... The young swordsman took pity on the girl in misery... ..and sheltered her from the enemy, saving her life."

Mary: "Dalis, you used to belong to the militia. And the survivor who was saved... The survivor was me. .... Do you remember anything now?"

Dalis: "I belonged to Cyril's militia long ago. I was married too. But I've never saved anyone... .... My wife and I... Where did we meet?"

Dalis: "..... ...I can't remember..."

Mary: "Dalis, you... Your memories are hidden like mine were. I'll help you remember."

Dalis: "Shut up!! I was assigned by master Lydon to defend Heidelberg a year ago."

Mary: "A year ago? Didn't you say you've served for a long time under Lydon? Or is one year a long time for you?"

Dalis: "....."

Mary: "The false memories... are full of contradictions, aren't they? Dalis, what you believe and say now are completely untrue. I'll tell you the truth."

Dalis: "Shut up!! I've heard enough of these lies!!"

Mary: "Are you afraid of finding out the truth?"

Dalis: "What?!"

Mary: "If I told you the truth, you would lose everything, in a way. But this would be the only way for you to recover your true self."

Dalis: "Your delusions are charming enough. Fine, I'll humor you a little more and listen to you. Then, I'll decide what to do with you!"

Mary: "Do whatever you want... I found myself because of you... Even though my past was difficult to accept, it's much better than not knowing who I really am..."

Dalis: "..... Go ahead, talk."

Mary: "I will..."

Mary: "...Where was I? Oh yes, peace was eventually restored to Phandaria thanks to the efforts of the wise King Sark. It took a long time for this to happen... By then, four years had passed since you rescue me."

Mary: "I joined Cyril's militia during those years and fought to protect the town at every opportunity. The four years I fought beside you were difficult but very meaningful."

Mary: "You taught me many things. Thanks to you, I learned how to read and write. ...And it was you who taught me how to cook... You taught cooking to someone like me who's idea of a meal was sun-dried meat eaten on the battlefield. You liked beast meat stew... I wanted to please you so I wrestled with the unfamiliar task of cooking."

Mary: "...And in time, I was able to lead a normal life... The world was at peace, but... I still felt uneasy. I felt I was always dependent on you from the moment I arrived in Cyril... And I felt I was inferior to everyone else because of this."

Mary: "For that reason, I felt out of place when the militia reduced its ranks to keep pace with the times... I thought I would lose the only place where I could stand on my own two feet and prove my worth... To protect myself as an equal among the others... So as I fell into despair..."

Mary: "Dalis, your words...  
...Your words sank into my heart..."

Mary: "...And the next four years were uneventful to say the least. Four uneventful years of peace and security... If there was a single regret, it was unfortunate that we couldn't have any children. But in hindsight, I think it was a blessing in disguise."

Mary: "And then, two years ago... Someone attacked Cyril. The townspeople escaped safely to Tilso Forest ...but all of those who defended the city were killed."

Mary: "The last two left were you and I... We were desperate, but for some reason I wasn't afraid. I wasn't afraid because I was with you."

Mary: "...With you... ...But... ...But at the very end, you broke the vow we swore...to live and to die together. Just before you prepared yourself to die..."

Mary: "You sealed my memories and made me escape... You wanted me to live, even at the expense of your own life... I understand your feelings now..."

Mary: "...But it's difficult for me to accept what you did..."

Mary: "....."

Dalis: "....."

Dalis: "Are you finished?"

Mary: "....."

Mary: "Yes, that's all."

Dalis: "I'm sorry to say...  
...I know nothing about what you said."

Dalis: "....."

Dalis: "...What...is this memory?  
No, this...can't be... ...in Cyril..."

Mary: "Your memories hold the true key to unlocking your past."

Dalis: "I can hear ...something... familiar... Aaaaggh...my head..."

Mary: "Dalis, be strong!"

{Suddenly, two soldiers appear behind Stahn and the others,  
who are still eavsdropping.}

Guard: "Hey, you!"

Philia: "Shush! I can't hear."

Philia: "Ayiiieee!"

Guard: "You! You're the fugitives!"



Mary: "I have to treat you."

Dalis: "Don't waste your time... ..I won't survive..."

Mary: "No, that's no good... We're finally together again..."

Dalis: "Mary..."

{Rutee checks on Dalis.}

Rutee: "Those are pretty serious wounds but I think I can help...  
Mary, stand up!"

Mary: "Rutee?"

Rutee: "Come on, snap out of it!  
We might be able to save him if we hurry!"

Mary: "Really?!"

Dalis: "Wh...what are you going to do?"

Rutee: "If you don't want to die, be quiet. If we can get out of  
here, I can do different things to treat you."

Mary: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "Let's go!"

Stahn: "Hurry!"

Garr: "Stahn, let's go up on the roof!"

Stahn: "Yes!"

{The party climbs to the roof, carrying Dalis with them.}

Guard: "Come on! They're not leaving here alive!!"

Guard: "Yeaaaaah!"

Guard: "We have special bounty for the one who kills Garr!!"

Guard: "Yeaaaaah!"

Guard: "Attack!!"

{The guards enter the building.}

Stahn: "Let's fight!"

Garr: "No!"

Stahn: "But we can't..."

Garr: "There's still a way out."

{Garr looks as if suggesting to jump from the roof of the building.}

Stahn: "What? ...NO, no way..."

Garr: "It'll be fine. The snow will absorb the shock."

Stahn: "You're kidding me, right?"

Garr: "Prepare yourself. Okay, we're going on the count of three!  
One...two...three!"

{They jump from the building.}

Garr: "Stahn, are you all right?"

Stahn: "Ye, yeah..."

Garr: "There should be a cave ahead of us. Let's hide there."

Stahn: "Okay, let's go"

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{The party heads to the cave in the back.}

Garr: "We should be safe here."

Stahn: "Where are we?"

Garr: "This is the underground passageway created by a king in the  
past. It's connected to the castle."

Stahn: "So if we follow this path..."

Garr: "Yes...But there is a problem..."

Stahn: "What?"

Garr: "There's been stories of ghosts haunting this area..."

Philia: "P, please...stop it! I don't...want to hear about that!"

Stahn: "Philia?"

Leon: "Calm down, it's just stories."

Philia: "But, but..."

Garr: "As Leon just said, don't worry."

??????: "Who's there?"

Philia: "Ayieeee! The ghost...the ghost! It's here!"

Stahn: "Philia, calm down!"

Garr: "Identify yourself!"

??????: "That voice...that must be master Garr!"

Garr: "Who are you?!"

Darzen: "It's Darzen, master Garr. I'm glad you're safe."

Garr: "Darzen! What are you doing here?"

Darzen: "In the midst of all the chaos during the attack, I led some town people down here to escape."

Garr: "I see, excellent work. I'm glad all of you are safe."

Darzen: "The entrance area is dangerous. We're incapable of helping you much, but please come inside..."

Leon: "Can we trust him?"

Garr: "He pledged loyalty to my father. That's enough for me to trust him."

Leon: "Hah, so you say."

{The party goes to the room inside. Rutee uses First Aid on Dalis.}

Stahn: "How is he?"

Rutee: "I think he's okay."

Stahn: "Good..."

Rutee: "But it'll take him a while to make a complete recovery. Mary... You've got to be strong."

Mary: "I understand."

Rutee: "Mary...you should stay here."

Stahn: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "You stay out of this! Time will eventually heal his physical wounds. But you're the only one who can treat the wound in Dalis' soul."

Mary: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "So stay with Dalis, okay?"

Mary: "But then..."

Rutee: "Don't worry. We'll take care of Lydon by ourselves. Right?"

Garr: "Of course."

Leon: "That's a foregone conclusion."

Philia: "Don't worry about us."

Stahn: "You can count on me!"

Mary: "Everyone..."

Rutee: "So as I said, there's something you can do that other people can't."

Mary: "Rutee, I'm sorry..."

Rutee: "Hey, don't cry. We'll visit you when everything settles down. So take care of yourself until then."

Mary: "Yes...Dalis and I will look forward to that."

Rutee: "Well, let's get going."

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#17-Showdown at Heidelberg-----[d.17]#  
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{The party explores the passage and encounters an Ice Golem in their way.}

Stahn: "Wh...What's this?!"

{The party beats the Golem.}

Stahn: "It looks like we can go through now."

{The party reaches Heidelberg castle.}

Garr: "This is the underground prison of the castle. We'll strike Lydon without mercy!"

Stahn: "I'm with you!"

{The party ventures the castle and reaches the Clock Tower. They pull a lever. There hear a sound of something moving.}

Stahn: "That pulley seems to be moving."

{They ride an elevator, but it won't move.}

Stahn: "I think we need to find some kind of switch to activate the elevator."

{They return to the lever they found earlier and pulls it. There is the sound of an elevator moving somewhere.}

Stahn: "This must be the switch to control the elevator. Someone has to stay here and turn it on. Who should stay?"

-> 1. Rutee

Stahn: "Rutee, you do it."

Rutee: "Do I have a choice here?"

Rutee: "Don't worry about me and go ahead to the elevator. I can take care of things here."

-> 2. Leon

Stahn: "Leon, I'm counting on you."

Leon: "Hmph. Don't slack off while I'm not watching you."

Leon: "What are you waiting for! Go to the elevator!  
I can take care of myself."

-> 3. Philia

Stahn: "Philia, I'm counting on you."

Philia: "Sure, you can trust me."

Philia: "Please trust me. Quickly, go to the elevator."

-> 4. Garr

Stahn: "Garr, can you handle this for us?"

Garr: "Sure. Consider it done."

Garr:

"I'll take care of business here. Stahn, go to the elevator."

{The party leaves Garr to take care of the lever, and goes to the elevator.}

Stahn: "Garr, please turn the switch on!"

Garr: "Done."

Stahn: "Great, we made it up here. Garr, we'll be right there."

Garr: "Fine. Be careful."

{The party steps on a pulley.}

Stahn: "The pulley is frozen up...  
I guess it won't move unless we thaw it loose."

{Stahn fires the Sorcerer's Ring at the pulley.  
They climb down the chain to get Garr.}

Garr: "Ah, you're here Stahn. I'm glad you're safe."

Stahn: "I'm sorry I kept you waiting."

Garr: "It doesn't matter. Come on, let's keep moving."

{The party finally reaches the top of the tower.  
There, they found Lydon with a Swordian.  
The Eye of Atamoni is also at the back.}

Philia: "Lydon!"

Lydon: "I want to congratulate you on following me here...  
I'm amused that you made it here..."

Lydon: "Unfortunately, it doesn't matter anymore since your luck and  
your pitiful lives ends here."

Garr: "You won't get rid of us without a fight!  
You'll pay for what you did to my father!"

Lydon: "Oh, spare me...do you really think you have a chance  
against me?"

Philia: "We're not going to allow you to continue your ruthless acts!!"

Lydon: "You should have remained petrified... Now, you've come all this  
way to be killed... Well, there shall be no mercy today!  
Witness the power of the Eye of Atamoni! Prepare to die!"

{Stahn's party defeats Lydon.}

Lydon: "Why, I think I'm beginning to really enjoy this...  
But you insignificant life force means nothing before the Eye  
of Atamoni's real powers! See with your own eyes! This is the  
true power of the Eye of Atamoni!"

{Lydon tries to use the Eye of Atamoni against the party but...}

Lydon: "I'm losing control... Impossible...what is happening to me?"

{Lydon vanishes. The swordian is left on the floor.}

Garr: "How ironic...He was incapable of controlling this source of  
supreme power, and it destroyed him...  
I'll take Igtenos back now."

Stahn: "We finally did it!"

Dymlos: "It's too early to celebrate."

Stahn: "What?"

{The Eye of Atamoni starts releasing more of its energy.}

Clement: "Oh, no! It's overloading!"

Atwight: "It's going to explode at this rate!"

Rutee: "Explode?! What, are you kidding?!"

Chaltier: "Young master! There's no other way!"

Leon: "Damn it! There's no other choice! Quickly, everyone install  
this disc into your Swordian!"

Stahn: "Wh, what?"

Leon: "Hurry up!"

Rutee: "What good is this going to do?!"

Leon: "Split up in four directions and raise your Swordians!"

{The party surrounds the Eye of Atamoni.}

{Philia in the north, Rutee in the east, Leon in the west,  
and Stahn in the south.}

{Garr remains in his place. They raise their Swordians and  
unleash an energy that prevents the catastrophe.}

Stahn: "Is everything all right?"

Rutee: "Hey, what did you just do?"

Leon: "It's a secret weapon from Oberon Corporation.  
Now, we must take the Eye of Atamoni to His Majesty.  
And after that, you'll be free."

Stahn: "Fine, that sounds good to me!"

Garr: "Now, wait a minute."

Stahn: "Garr?"

Garr: "You've all seen the Eye of Atamoni's powers.  
This shouldn't be entrusted to any mortal being.  
We should destroy it right here, right now."

Stahn: "Please, wait..."

Rutee: "If we do that, we won't get our reward!"

Garr: "If you don't want to do it, I'll do it myself."

Leon: "Stop it! It's useless!"

Garr: "Here we go, Igtenos! What...happened?"

Leon: "I told you. That Swordian won't help you destroy the Eye of  
Atamoni. Besides, that little Swordian won't even be able to  
scratch it."

Garr: "This is insane..."

Leon: "You should trust the King of Seinegald.  
The Eye of Atamoni will be kept under Seinegald's protection  
and it will never fall into the wrong hands."

Garr: "...Hmmm...all right. But I'll accompany you to Seinegald.  
I want to personally make sure the King of Seinegald is a man  
worthy of my trust."

Rutee: "Great, now that settles it."

Stahn: "Let's take Lydon's Draconis and go back to Darilsheid!!"

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#####  
#18-Heroes' Homecoming----- [d.18]#  
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{The party departs to Darilsheid using the Draconis.  
Stahn is in his room alone, until...}

~~The Draconis~~

Philia: "Stahn? Are you here?"

Stahn: "Philia? Why, hello there. What's going on? Do you need help?"

Philia: "Have you seen Rutee?"

Stahn: "Rutee? No, can't say I have. Isn't she in her room?"

Philia: "No... I thought she might be here."

Stahn: "But why?"

Philia: "She seems depressed ever since Mary left...  
And I thought it might help her feel better if I cheered her  
up..."

Stahn: "Philia, you're so kind."

Philia: "Oh, no I'm...  
Please don't mention anything to Rutee about this."

Stahn: "Sure. At any rate, let's try to find her."

Philia: "Okay."

{Stahn leaves the room.}

{He enters the room on the right.  
In there, Leon is lying on a bed.}

Leon: "Owwwww..."

Stahn: "Leon! Are you all right?!"

Leon: "Silence! Just...leave...me...alone..."

Stahn: "What happened to you?"

Leon: "I feel...sick..."

Stahn: "Sick? Airsick? From flying?"

Leon: "Yes... Just leave me alone..."

Stahn: "I can't leave you alone! I thought we're friends."

Leon: "Friends? I don't have friends!"

Stahn: "Whatever. Hang on a bit.  
I'll bring you something cold to drink."

Leon: "Are you deaf? Go away, you meddling twit!"

Stahn: "Leon..."

Leon: "You're always like this. I can't put up with you anymore!  
Let me tell you something. People will deceive you no matter  
how much you trust them!"

Stahn: "What's your point?"

Leon: "Can't you see? I don't trust anyone. So leave me alone!"

Stahn: "Your message is loud and clear. Anyway, get some rest. You should feel better in a while."

Leon: "Ugh. I sure hope so."

{Stahn leaves the room.}

{Stahn sees Garr along the way. He talks to him.}

Stahn: "Garr?"

Garr: "Anything wrong, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Have you seen Rutee?"

Garr: "No, she hasn't been around here."

Stahn: "Oh, okay."

{Stahn finds his way to the deck.}

Stahn: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "Hey, Stahn. What do you want?"

Stahn: "Thanks for telling us that you left your room! We were worried."

Rutee: "Come on, now. Am I on a leash or something? I can be anywhere I want. If you don't need me, please leave me alone."

Stahn: "You're being pretty harsh. I was looking al over the place for you. What's with your attitude? You're so damn selfish!"

Rutee: "Selfish?"

Stahn: "Yeah, don't try to deny it! How about the time we first met, or the time we faced Batista? You've always been totally selfish!"

Rutee: "Well, maybe... You might be right. Sorry."

Stahn: "Huh?"

Rutee: "What's that funny look on your face?"

Stahn: "Um, well, I didn't expect you... to apologize like that..."

Rutee: "Do you think it's strange that I apologized?"

Stahn: "Well, um, no, err...but..."

Rutee: "It's alright. By the way, what did you want?"

Stahn: "I was looking for you because you were missing for a while."

Rutee: "Stop right there. Aren't you being a bit too neurotic?"

Stahn: "You seem depressed ever since Mary left...  
Philia was very concerned..."

Rutee: "Philia?"

Stahn: "Oops! Well, ummmmm..."

Rutee: "I don't think I'm depressed...but...  
...but I'd be lying to you if I told you that I don't miss her."

Rutee: "Hey, Stahn, you're going home when this journey ends,  
aren't you?"

Stahn: "What? Yeah... Yeah, I guess..."

Rutee: "Stahn, will you listen to me?"

Stahn: "What?"

Rutee: "I want to tell you why I became a Lens Hunter..."

Stahn: "You wanted money, right?"

Rutee: "Ummm, that's part of the reason. There are some people I want  
to protect. They raised me. Without them, I wouldn't be here  
today. I owe them my life. But they're in trouble now. And  
I need money to save them. You must despise me for being so  
greedy..."

Stahn: "Oh, no..."

Rutee: "It's all right, I know. But I wanted you to know the truth."

Stahn: "But what made you tell me this all of a sudden?"

Rutee: "I don't know. I thought maybe I might not be able to see you  
again after this...And I kind of felt... And I felt..."

Stahn: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "I feel...so relieved."

Stahn: "Rutee?"

Rutee: "Oh, I sound way too serious."

Stahn: "..."

Rutee: "I only need to put up with being called greedy a little bit  
longer. Besides, I'm not doing anything wrong. A lot of things  
happened, but I'm grateful to everyone now.  
Of course, I'm grateful to you too, Stahn."

Stahn: "Hey, Rutee..."

Rutee: "What?"

Stahn: "After this journey... Ummmm...if you want to. .. Um..."

Rutee: "What?"

Stahn: "Well, so, maybe we can... spend a bit more time..."

Philia: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "Philia!"

Philia: "Oh, you were here. I've been looking everywhere for you."

Rutee: "I'm sorry. By the way, thank you very much, Philia.  
You were worried about me, weren't you?"

Philia: "What? Stahn, you told her..."

Stahn: "Well, I, ahhh...no...but..."

Rutee: "This is why we have to be careful around country boys...  
they have big mouths!"

Stahn: "Hey, that's got nothing to do with it!"

Rutee: "We're not too far from Seinegald now.  
Philia, shall we prepare for landing?"

Philia: "Yes, let's go."

Stahn: "Excuse me, but..."

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~~Darilsheid, Seinegald~~

{They finally arrives at Darilsheid.  
They go to Seinegald Castle to report to the king.}

Leon: "We have returned, your majesty."

King of Seinegald: "I have already heard the news. Leon, thank you for  
retrieving the Eye of Atamoni. And Stahn, Rutee and  
Philia, you've also done a commendable job."

Garr: "Your majesty, I want to know something.  
What are you going to do with the Eye of Atamoni?"

King of Seinegald: "Who are you?"

Garr: "I'm Garr, the son of the Phandarian King, Sark."

King of Seinegald: "Ah, so you're the son of Sark, the Wise."

Garr: "My father is deceased, and my Phandaria was devastated by the  
powers of the Eye of Atamoni. I won't allow the same mistake  
to be repeated."

King of Seinegald: "Garr, not to worry. The Eye of Atamoni will never be  
allowed to fall into the wrong hands again. It will be  
secured underground beneath the castle so that it can  
never be used again."

Garr: "How can I trust your words?"

King of Seinegald: "Ah, a skeptic, eh? Then, how do I gain your trust?"

Garr: "I want a written declaration from you stating that the Eye of Atamoni will never be used. I also want you to enter into an alliance with Phandaria."

King of Seinegald: "Are you speaking on behalf of Phandaria as its new king?"

Garr: "Yes, that is correct."

King of Seinegald: "Excellent. I'll have the agreements prepared immediately for your review."

Garr: "I value your wise judgment, your majesty."

King of Seinegald: "By the way, Stahn, Your Swordian, Dymlos... That sword was recovered by our country's archaeological team. As you are aware, it was lost in transit. Therefore it must be returned to us..."

Stahn: "B..but..."

Leon: "Now that the Eye of Atamoni's threat is gone, the Swordian have gone back into stasis. They won't be revived unless another crisis develops."

King of Seinegald: "I guarantee that another crisis will now occur as long as our kingdom exists."

Stahn: "...Okay, I understand. I'll return it to you."

King of Seinegald: "Good."

King of Seinegald: "Guard, take the tiaras off their heads."

Guard: "Yes sir!"

Stahn: "Whew, finally..."

Rutee: "I feel like a new person..."

Hugo: "Since you've completed your mission, we have to compensate you as promised."

Garr: "It sounds like this is not relevant to me."

Philia: "First of all, all of this started because I couldn't stop Lydon. I don't deserve this reward."

Garr: "That settles it. The three of you should get the reward."

Leon: "Hey, don't put me on the same level with them. I'm not interested in any reward."

Rutee: "Really? Then, we'll take the reward. Right, Stahn?"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "Stahn, what's the matter?"

Stahn: "I don't want it either."

Rutee: "Stahn! What are you saying?!"

Stahn: "Can Rutee get all of it?"

Hugo: "That's fine with me, but are you sure?"

Stahn: "I really didn't set out on my journey for the sake of money. I wanted to get stronger and to see as much of the world as I could. Besides, I experienced many things that just can't be bought with money. So, I'm happy as I am. I don't need anything else."

Rutee: "Stahn..."

Hugo: "Very well."

King of Seinegald: "Well now, it sounds like everything's settled. I'll have each of you taken to your homes on the Draconis. Is this acceptable?"

Stahn: "Yes, please."

Philia: "I really don't need this assistance, sire. It's within walking distance to the temple for me."

Rutee: "I'll pass too. Cresta is within walking distance too."

Stahn: "Cresta?"

Rutee: "It's my home town. Didn't I tell you?"

Stahn: "No, you didn't!"

Rutee: "What's the big deal? Let's not get caught up in all the details."

Garr: "I have concerns about the situation at the border. I'll go through Janos and then go home."

King of Seinegald: "I see... Then Stahn, I'll have the Draconis made ready for you. Wait outside for a while."

Stahn: "Thank you, sire."

King of Seinegald: "My thanks to everyone."

Hugo: "At last, case closed."

-Supreme General Dryden: "You appear to be back on the path of righteousness now. You're a different person than the criminal who was once brought before the king."

-General Ashley: "You're free now. Congratulations!"

-General Leen: "All's well that ends well."

-General Lewein: "Your long journey has ended. You should go home."

-General Melina: "Congratulations. You're finally free."

-General Vims: "Nothing comes to an end in this world.  
There are only new beginnings."

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{Near the Draconis...}

Leon: "You're free now."

Stahn: "Thanks for the memories.  
And thanks for all the hard work, Leon!"

Leon: "Well, you deserved it. But you weren't too bad."

Rutee: "Why can't you be gracious for a change?  
Why can't you just say thanks?"

Leon: "Hmph! What do I care?!"

Stahn: "But we're finally free to go our separate ways  
...to go adventuring..."

Rutee: "What are you saying? Are you continuing your journey?  
You have a home and family to go back to! You should go back!"

Stahn: "I hope we can see each other again..."

Rutee: "Oh, no, not me. I'm finished with getting myself into trouble."

Stahn: "What are you talking about, Ms. Troublemaker?"

Rutee: "What did you just say?"

Stahn: "(Ahem) Oh, nothing..."

Garr: "When you settle down, come to Heidelberg.  
You'll be my guest of honor."

Rutee: "Ah, a royal invitation from the king.  
Sure, I'll make sure to drop by sometime."

Garr: "As for me, I must now rebuild Phandaria. And one more thing.  
I'll take care of Mary. After all, she is a citizen of my  
country. As the king, it is my duty to take care of my people.  
Her hometown, Cyril, is a stone's throw away from Heidelberg."

Rutee: "Okay, thank you. I'll try to visit her when I settle down."

Stahn: "I wonder if Mary is gonna be all right?"

Rutee: "...It's hard to say."

Stahn: "And Philia, what are you going to do?"

Philia: "I've decided to return to the Straylize Temple."

Rutee: "What? But why?"

Philia: "I'd like to help Bishop Ayles..."

Rutee: "I can't believe you're still saying stuff like this. I think you should become an ordinary girl. Haven't you had enough of that world?"

Philia: "I only know the world inside the temple... Besides, I don't think I can survive in the real world."

Stahn: "Goodbye, Philia."

Philia: "We'll meet again. I have this feeling inside me that we will."

Stahn: "Okay, take care of yourself until then."

Philia: "Yes, and you too Stahn."

Crewman: "Sir, Draconis is ready for departure."

Stahn: "Great. Please tell them I'll be right there."

Crewman: "Yes, sir."

Stahn: "Well, see you again, everyone."

Philia: "Take care of yourself."

Leon: "Farewell!"

Garr: "Be good, Stahn."

Rutee: "....."

Philia: "Rutee?"

Stahn: "Rutee?"

Rutee: "Oh, it's nothing."

Stahn: "Come on, it's not nothing."

Rutee: "Just shut up and go!"

Stahn: "Hey, wait a minute!"

Rutee: "Please go!"

Stahn: "What's wrong?"

Rutee: "You're awful! Do you want to see a girl cry? You're really a sicko!"

Stahn: "What?"

Garr: "(Cough) Shall we excuse ourselves?"

Leon: "Fine."

Philia: "Yes...let's go."

Stahn: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "You're such a fool.  
You missed your chance to get the reward..."

Stahn: "I just did what I thought was the right thing to do.  
No one forced me to do anything. I wanted to do it."

Rutee: "Thank you, Stahn. If I didn't meet you, my life would have  
been a lot different. I would have thrown it away.  
I'm really glad we traveled together."

Rutee: "When I first met you, I thought you were a naive countryboy  
I could easily manipulate. You're honest to the point of being  
stupid, and you gave your trust to people so easily...  
You're simple and easily flattered. You were at the right place  
at the right time for me."

Rutee: "At one point, I thought I was going to use you up and throw you  
away. But, you know... Everything turned out differently.  
Your goodness and purity won me over.  
Otherwise, I wouldn't have become this honest and open..."

Stahn: "I think you had it in you all along..."

Rutee: "You know, I'm not as good as you think I am..."

Stahn: "You're wrong! I don't think badly of you at all..."

Rutee: "Well, anyway... Whether or not you agree with me, you've helped  
me alot. I can't thank you enough.  
I thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Stahn: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "I'm sorry for keeping you. You'd better go..."

Stahn: "We've just saved the world! We're heroes!  
They can wait a little while longer."

Rutee: "Unsung heroes, that is."

Stahn: "Don't say that."

Rutee: "Now, don't let it bother you.  
I know in my heart that you, Stahn Aileron, are a hero!"

Stahn: "Will we ever see each other again?"

Rutee: "Of course we will, you silly boy!"

Stahn: "Yeah, that sounds more like the Rutee I know...  
All right, I'm going now. Take care!"

Rutee: "You too!"

Stahn: "Thank you for everything. Bye..."

Stahn: "Oh, I almost forgot."

Rutee: "What?"

Stahn: "I'm just going back home. But you need money, right?  
Here, take this."

Rutee: "No, I couldn't take your money.  
You don't need to worry about me..."

Stahn: "Besides, I don't use money or Lens that often anyway.  
So, I'd rather pass it to someone who can put it to good use.  
I can't help it because I know you need help.  
I can't ignore you like some perfect stranger."

Rutee: "Thank you...Stahn."

Stahn: "And you can sell my things for money too..."

Rutee: "No, no...this is plenty."

Stahn: "Don't be shy now."

Rutee: "Really, I'm fine . Thank you, Stahn. I can't thank you enough."

Stahn: "Hey, don't worry about it. I've gotta go now.  
Take care, Rutee."

Rutee: "You too."

Stahn: "Let's meet again someday."

{Stahn boards the Draconis.}

Crewman: "You're late!"

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...It was business as usual for the people of this world...

...Today was just another day-another uneventful day in life...

...Our heroes returned to their homes to resume their lives...

...They returned home with the knowledge that they saved their  
world from the verge of disaster...

~~Lienea, Fitzgald~~

Child: "Wow! Stahn! You're back!"

Stahn: "Yup, I'm back."

Child: "Wow, this is too cool. I've gotta let Lilith know!"

Stahn: "I'm sure she's really upset...  
I have a feeling bad things are gonna happen...bad things..."

...Yet little the know that another chapter in this  
Tale was about to unfold...

Aunt Maggie: "Why, it's you, Stahn. When did you get back?"

Stahn: "Just now, Aunt Maggie."

Aunt Maggie: "Well now, hurry up and go see your grandpa Thomas and Lilith.  
They're both worried about you."

Stahn: "I know...(sigh)"

?????: "Yo, Stahn Airhead-ron, you're back!"

Stahn: "Hey, Doofus, how goes?"

Rufus: "I'm not Doofus, I'm Rufus!  
Remember that, Airhead-ron, you idiot!"

Stahn: "Well, my name isn't Airhead-ron either!"

Rufus: "Awwww, shut up! I hate you anyway! Get outta my sight!  
Bzzzzzzzzzt!! Bzzzzzzzzzt, fly away little fly!!"

Stahn: "Yeah, yeah sure, sure... Whatever...!"

Lilith: "Oh, you came home, Stahn..."

Stahn: "Yup, I'm home, Lilith."

Thomas: "You seem to be doing well... And I see that you've grown  
some since I last saw you."

Stahn: "It's good to see you, Grandpa!"

Lilith: "You're staying with us from now on, right?"

Stahn: "Yup...I'm staying here... (At least for a little while...)"

Lilith: "Really?"

Stahn: "Yeah, really. I promise."

Lilith: "Stahn, I missed you so much!!"

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?????: "The Eye of Atamoni has been returned to us and peace has been  
restored to our world. Let us rejoice..."

?????: "However, you must realize this peace is transitory and shall  
only last for a fleeting moment..."

?????: "The world must change...the world must change for true peace to  
reign supreme..."

?????: "The time is right. I want you to entrust your lives to me..."

?????: "I will obey your every command..."

?????????: "I shall gladly give my life to you..."  
?????: "I'm prepared for what awaits..."  
?????: "....."  
?????: "What is it?"  
?????: "....."  
?????: "...Never mind. I'm counting on all of you.  
Our future is in your hands..."

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#19-Peaceful Country Life, Lienea-----[d.19]#  
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{Lienea. Stahn's House.}

Lilith: "Stahn! Wake up! Stahn!!"

Stahn: "Mmmmmphgrmxlbpzzzzz..."

Lilith: "You're a total zombie in the morning as usual...  
Breakfast is ready! Come 'n get it now, or I'll put it away!"

{Lilith leaves the room. Stahn gets up and heads to the dining room,  
where Lilith and Grandpa Thomas is.}

Lilith: "You're late again, Stahn! You've overslept every morning for  
the last 10 days straight!"

Stahn: "What's wrong with that? I'm not going anywhere."

Lilith: "Well, that might be all right with you, but think about the  
person who cooked breakfast for you."

Stahn: "Okay, okay..."

Lilith: "If you understand, go ahead and eat."

Stahn: (First of all, I just got up... I don't even have an appetite...)

Lilith: "...Did you say something?"

Stahn: "No, nothing."

Lilith: "I know...you want to say you don't want to eat, right?"

Stahn: "Yikes..."

Lilith: "I'll never, EVER cook breakfast for you again!"

Stahn: "W, wait, Lilith! I'm sorry!"

Lilith: "Are you really sorry?"

Stahn: "I am, really I am."

Lilith: "Really? No foolin'?"

Stahn: "No foolin'!"

Lilith: "Will you wake up early from now on?"

Stahn: "I will, I will."

Lilith: "And will you eat your breakfast?"

Stahn: "Yes I will, I promise."

Lilith: "Okay, then. I forgive you."

Stahn: "Whew...saved..."

Lilith: "But..."

Stahn: "What?"

Lilith: "You have to run an errand for me.  
I need you to do some shopping."

Stahn: "Sure, that's cake.  
What do you want me to buy and where do I go?"

Lilith: "Let's see... I'd like some fish. Yes, get some fish."

Stahn: "Okay. I'll get a really big one."

Lilith: "Good...and..."

Stahn: "What else?"

Lilith: "Put your dishes in the sink. I'll clean them later."

Stahn: "Okay, okay..."

{Stahn places the dishes in the sink.}

Stahn: "Here we are..."

{Stahn goes near the window, where Lilith is also standing.}

Stahn: "Tomorrow...I'd like to have a cup of tea with you,  
window-side in a cafe..."

Lilith: "What are you mumbling about? Don't you have an errand to run?!"

Stahn: "Hey, hey, don't get so mad..."

{Stahn goes to the village market and talks to the fish monger.}

Fish Monger: "Hullo, guv'. What can I do you for?"

Stahn: "Hi. I'd like a big fish. The biggest one you've got."

Fish Monger: "....."

Stahn: "Is there something wrong?"

Fish Monger: "I'm sorry, Stahn!"

Stahn: "Wh, what is it?"

Fish Monger: "I don't have one."

Stahn: "What?"

Fish Monger: "Like I said, I ain't got one."

Stahn: "But... How about this? Or that?"

Fish Monger: "Do you want to eat these day-old unsold fish?"

Stahn: "Well, not really..."

Fish Monger: "Besides, the weather's been bad lately, so I'm not sure about the quality of the fish."

Stahn: "They don't look so good..."

Fish Monger: "See what I mean?"

Stahn: "But I don't know...I was asked to get fish, and I can't go home empty-handed."

Fish Monger: "Lilith asked you to get one?"

Stahn: "Yeah."

Fish Monger: "Ah, then these won't do at all. If you take one of these fish home to her. She'll get angry."

Stahn: "I think so too..."

Fish Monger: "Well, you either tell the truth or go to Neuestadt and get one."

Stahn: "Neuestadt...that's pretty far."

Fish Monger: "Or..."

Stahn: "What? Do you know something?"

Fish Monger: "How about 'borrowing' some fish from the village pond?"

Stahn: "I...I can't do that."

Fish Monger: "They're fresh! And they're free. It's a simple answer to your problems!"

Woman: "What are you two idiots talking about? That's outrageous!"

Fish Monger: "We...we were just kidding. Right, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Errr...yeah...."

Fish Monger: "Well, so be it...I guess you'll have to give up."

-> 1. Stahn returns home empty-handed

Lilith: "Did you get it?"

Stahn: "Well, umm...they were sold out."

Lilith: "Well, I guess there's nothing we can do about it."

Stahn: "I'm sorry, Lilith."

Lilith: "You don't have to apologize. It's not your fault."

Stahn: "Lilith..."

Lilith: "But...Don't complain about what's going to be at the dinner table tonight!"

Stahn: "That's what I'm afraid of..."

-> 2. Stahn gets a fish from the pond.

Stahn: "Gotcha!"

{Stahn takes the fish home to Lilith.}

Stahn: "I'm home! Hey, I got some fish, Lilith."

Lilith: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "It's fresh!"

Lilith: "...That...where did you...?"

Stahn: "I caught it in the village pond."

Lilith: "What were you thinking?!"

Stahn: "Um? It's no good?"

Lilith: "Of course not! Take it back to the pond right away!"

Stahn: "Ye...yeeessss!"

Lilith: "Boyoboy, why is he like that...? He's unbelievable!!"

-> 3. He asks the Fish Monger with at the north of Neusdadt harbor.

Stahn: "Excuse me, I'd like a fish..."

Fish Monger: "Fish? What kind of fish do you want?"

Stahn: "I'd like the biggest one."

Fish Monger: "A big one...how about a hunk of this whale steak?  
How about this piece...for 100 gald. Do you want it?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Fish Monger: "Thank you!"

{Stahn gets Lilith's fish and takes it home.}

Stahn: "I'm home!"

Lilith: "Welcome home. What took you so long?"

Stahn: "I went to the market at the Neuestadt harbor to get this."

Lilith: "To Neuestadt?"

Stahn: "Yeah, here's the fish. I asked for a big one."

Lilith: "Hey, Stahn, what's the name of this fish?"

Stahn: "I think...they called it... ..whale...?"

Lilith: "...Stahn?"

Stahn: "What, Lilith?"

Lilith: "Whale is not a fish."

Stahn: "What?"

Lilith: "...You didn't know?"

Stahn: "Um, well..."

Lilith: "Well, never mind... Thanks anyway."

{Lilith goes near the sink.}

Lilith: "(Sigh) Oh, dear me... It's something Stahn is likely to do, but... Why is he like that? He's my brother, but I'm ashamed."

-> 4. He talks to the other Fish Monger in Neusdadt harbor.

Stahn: "Excuse me. I'd like a fish..."

Fish Monger: "Wha, what kind of fish do you want?"

Stahn: "I'd like the biggest one."

Fish Monger: "B, big one...How about a swordfish?"

Stahn: "How much is it?"

Fish Monger: "It's...150 Gald. Do you want it?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Fish Monger: "Tha, thank you..."

{Stahn got the fish and takes it home.}

Stahn: "I'm home!"

Lilith: "Welcome home. What took you so long?"

Stahn: "I went to the market at the Neuestadt harbor to get this."

Lilith: "To Neuestadt?"

Stahn: "Yeah, here's the fish. I asked for a big one."

Lilith: "Hey, Stahn, what's the name of this fish?"

Stahn: "I think...they call it... ..Sunfish?"

Lilith: "...Stahn?"

Stahn: "What, Lilith?"

Lilith: "Why did you have to get such a weird fish?"

Stahn: "What?"

Lilith: "I thought I asked you to get an ordinary fish...  
...Why did you get a Sunfish?!"

Stahn: "Um, err..."

Lilith: "It's okay. Thanks anyway.  
By the way... Can we really eat this fish?"

Stahn: "H...how would I know that?!"

Lilith: "Okay, then. You'll be the first to taste it!!"

{The next day.}

Lilith: "Stahn, wake up! Stahn!"

Stahn: "Mblgrmplxfxzzzz..."

Lilith: "Who was the one that promised to wake up early?!"

Stahn: "....."

Lilith: "You have visitors! Now, get up!  
I don't think he's going to wake up at this rate..."

{Lilith goes out of the room.}

Lilith: "I'm sorry. My brother won't wake up..."

???????: "I don't mind. I'm used to it."

Lilith: "You're USED to it?"

?????????: "He's so lazy! Hey, Dymlos! Wake the sleeping beauty up!"

Dymlos: "Yes, Clemente. Hey, Stahn! Wake up, you fool!"

Stahn: "D, Dymlos?! Whoa!"

{Stan falls from his bed.}

Lilith: "What's that sound?!"

{Lilith and Philia rush to Stahn's room.}

Lilith: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "Ouch..."

Lilith: "Are you all right?"

Stahn: "Dymlos! You surprised me..."

Lilith: "Dymlos? No, she's Philia."

Philia: "Stahn, you haven't changed."

Stahn: "Philia! Why are you here?  
I don't think you came just to see me..."

Philia: "I'll tell you the important things, so listen carefully.  
The Eye of Atamoni is missing again."

Stahn: "What?!"

Philia: "The King of Seinegald is asking for our help to search for it."

Stahn: "What happened?"

Philia: "I'll tell you on the way there. We don't have much time."

Stahn: "...Okay. Let's go."

Lilith: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "Lilith..."

Lilith: "You told me you wouldn't go anywhere anymore!"

Stahn: "I can't help it. I have to go."

Lilith: "You promised! Are you gonna break your promise to me?!"

Stahn: "This is very important. Please try to understand."

Lilith: "I hate you Stahn!!! You liar!!  
I don't care about you anymore!"

{Lilith leaves the room and Thomas enters.}

Thomas: "Now, you've done it."

Stahn: "Grandpa..."

Thomas: "Go ahead and go, Stahn.  
You're the only one who can do this, right?"

Stahn: "Yeah..."

Thomas: "Then, don't fret, my son. Now, don't you worry about Lilith.  
I'll make her understand."

Stahn: "Thanks, grandpa, you're the best."

Thomas: "Ms. Philia, please look after my grandson."

Philia: "Yes, you have my word."

Stahn: "We don't have time, right? Let's hurry up."

Philia: "Yes. I'll give Dymlos to you."

Stahn: "Dymlos!"

Dymlos: "Well, it looks like we're going to be together for a while again."

Stahn: "Dymlos, did you wake up because the Eye of Atamoni is missing?"

Dymlos: "Not exactly...but it's something like that. I'll explain later."

Stahn: "Oh, all right."

Philia: "Let's go to Neustadt first."

{Stahn talks to Lilith outside their house.}

Stahn: "Lilith..."

Lilith: "I hate you, hate you, hate you! Go wherever you want!"

Stahn: "Wait Lilith, please listen to me. I originally left this village because I wanted to live in a big city. But I'm different now. You may not believe me, but the world might be destroyed if we don't lift a finger to do anything about it. I have to go on a journey to stop our world from being destroyed. Please try to understand. Lilith."

Lilith: "No, you're the one who doesn't understand! Why does it have to be you! Protect the world? Since when did you get so strong?!"

Stahn: "Lilith..."

Lilith: "All I want is for the three of us to live happily together as a family. That's all! Why...Why can't you understand that!"

Stahn: "I know, I understand. That's why I have to go."

Lilith: "No, you don't!"

Stahn: "I apologize for running away before. That was selfish. I'm sorry. I'm really, truly sorry, Lilith... But I'm not irresponsible any more. I feel responsible for the people here and the friends I have made during my journey... And most importantly, I'm leaving for battle to protect you and grandpa."

Lilith: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "I promise you that I'll come back home after we bring peace back to our world. Please let me do this my way..."

Lilith: "....."

Stahn: "Well, I have to go now. Take care.  
And take care of grandpa too. He's getting old, so don't let  
him do anything foolish... See you..."

Lilith: "Wait! Take this with you!"

{Stahn receives a large food sack.}

Stahn: "What's this?"

Lilith: "I had a feeling you'd leave again.  
I wanted to help you somehow, so I made this."

Stahn: "Lilith..."

Lilith: "Stahn, promise me that you'll come back."

Stahn: "Yes, I promise."

Lilith: "Really?!"

Stahn: "Yes, really."

Lilith: "But if you give up and come back...  
There'll be no supper for you!"

Stahn: "Okay, I'll remember that."

Lilith: "Well, good luck."

Stahn: "Thanks!"

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{Stahn and Philia head to Neustadt.}

Philia: "The ship is waiting at the harbor.  
Let's go there first and then we'll talk."

Stahn: "Sure thing."

{They explore the town a bit. Seems like Ilene is not at home.  
She's at Darilsheid to visit Hugo Gilchrist.  
Also, the coliseum is closed. They head to the harbor.}

Philia: "Sorry to keep you waiting."

Captain: "What is your destination?"

Stahn: "Destination? I thought the King sent for us."

Philia: "We have to get Rutee and Garr too..."

Stahn: "Yeah, we should hurry..."

Philia: "By the way, who should we pick up first?"

-> 1. Garr

Philia: "Okay, then let's go to Heidelberg.  
Please take us to Frostheim in Phandaria."

Captain: "Very well."

Philia: "It looks like we'll have to walk from Frostheim to Heidelberg.  
There's no other way to get there."

Stahn: "Well, we have no choice. Captain, let's go."

Captain: "Certainly. Prepare to set sail!"

-> Rutee

Philia: "Okay, let's head for Cresta.  
We'd like to go to Cresta in Seinegald..."

Captain: "Cresta...But there's no harbor there.  
You'll have to walk from Darilsheid. Is that all right?"

Philia: "That's fine."

Stahn: "Captain, please take us."

Captain: "Very well. Prepare to set sail!"

-> 3. It doesn't matter

Philia: "Let's go to Heidelberg first."

Stahn: "Why?"

Philia: "Cresta is in Seinegald, it's better to go to Heidelberg first."

Stahn: "I see..."

Philia: "Please take us to Frostheim in Phandaria."

Captain: "Very well."

Philia: "It looks like we'll have to walk from Frostheim to Heidelberg.  
There's no other way to get there."

Stahn: "Well, we have no choice. Captain, let's go."

Captain: "Certainly. Prepare to set sail!"

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{The ship sails to Phandaria.}

Stahn: "Tell me what's going on."

Philia: "First off, we heard Clemente's voice.  
I was concerned about what Leon said and went to the capital."

Stahn: "Do you mean the thing about the Swordians not waking up until  
a time of crisis or something like that?"

Philia: "Yes."

Clemente: "Hogwash!"

Dymlos: "Indeed!"

Stahn: "Be quiet! Philia, please continue."

Philia: "Yes. The King of Seinegald told me that the Eye of Atamoni was missing. And he asked me to gather the Swordian masters."

Stahn: "That's why you came to get us."

Philia: "Yes."

Clemente: "Things got really messy while we were put to sleep."

Stahn: "Wait a minute. Did you say you were put to sleep?"

Dymlos: "It's Leon. When the Eye of Atamoni got out of control, Leon installed the Aura Discs that made us powerless."

Stahn: "I can't believe it! He told me that he completed his mission, and you went to sleep!"

Clemente: "Looks like we were bamboozled."

Philia: "We can't solve anything by hypothesizing everything. We must return to Darilsheid with the two of you as much as possible."

Stahn: "You're right."

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~~Frostheim, Phandaria~~

Captain: "We've arrived in Frostheim."

Philia: "Let's hurry and go to Heidelberg to see Garr."

Stahn: "I guess we have to ask Garr for help again... How are we gonna explain this to him?"

Philia: "Stahn, you're not responsible for what's happened at all."

Stahn: "I know, but I can't help it. Anyway, let's go to Heidelberg."

Philia: "Okay."

{The party goes to work when they see the 'Black Wings'.}

Gird: "It's so cold...My blood feels like it's going to freeze. I didn't know that a place as cold as this existed..."

{Grid is down.}

John: "Hey, boss! Don't give up!"

Grid: "The blizzard is getting worse. I can't even see your face...  
Am I going to...die here? It's poetic, don't you think?  
An adventurer...freezing to death in the far reaches of a  
frozen wasteland..."

John: "B, boss...don't say stuff like that..."

Grid: "John, I told you...not to call me boss..."

John: "Boss, hey, boss! Boooooooss!!"

????????: "Hey, hey!!"

Crewman: "Hey, stop what you're doing!! What, are you nuts, pretending]  
like you're dying?! You'll bring us bad luck."

Grid: "What! Pretend? Nonsense! We're having a rehearsal for my  
magnificent, heroic death!"

John: "You were so magnificent, boss..."

Grid: "Naturally, naturally!"

Crewman: "I see. You must have completely lost your sense of reality  
because of this severe cold. I feel sorry for you.  
You're still so young. Okay, I'll take care of you.  
Leave everything to me."

Grid: "Wha, what are you doing?! Stop it!"

{The Crewman takes Grid away.}

John: "B, boss! Where are you going?!"

{John follows them, dropping 100 Lens along the way.}

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{While they are in Phandaria, Stahn's party checks on Mary in  
Cyril.}

Stahn: "I think this is Mary's hometown. I wonder how she's doing?  
Mary..."

{Stahn goes to Mary's house.}

Stahn: "Mary."

Mary: "Dalis is safe, thanks to you. I'm very grateful."

Dalis: "Stahn, I'm sorry... Although I was misled by Lydon,  
I helped his cause... What can I do to take responsibility for  
my actions?"

Stahn: "Please don't worry."

Dalis: "I must do something."

Stahn: "Then, make Mary happy."

Dalis: "Stahn, I'm truly sorry..."

Stahn: "Please get well soon."

Dalis: "Stahn?"

Stahn: "Dalis, please get well soon and make Mary happy."

Dalis: "I've made Mary suffer until now.  
But this is going to change from now."

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{Stahn and Philia travels to Heidelberg.  
They reach the castle's gate.}

Guard: "Oy! Halt! You!! Yes, you!!"

Stahn: "Yes?"

Guard: "What do you mean yes? What are you going to do in the castle?"

Stahn: "...We want to see Garr..."

Guard: "You want to see master Garr? Who are you?"

Stahn: "My name is Stahn Aileron. I have important business with him.  
Please let him know I'm here."

Guard: "Master Garr is currently very busy. He won't see anybody."

Stahn: "Please, this is very important."

Guard: "Why don't you give up? Everyone wants to see master Garr  
since he became our king. Well, it's not that I don't sympathize  
with you, but there are limits... He's good-looking and  
thoughtful. He's the young king of Phandaria known throughout  
the world. You can call him 'the greatest king who has ever  
lived. Well that's enough yakking from me.  
Now, it's time for you to leave!"

Philia: "Please help us. The world is in danger of being destroyed."

Old Soldier: "Excuse me, but aren't you Philia?"

Philia: "Yes, but how do you know my name?"

Old Soldier: "I knew it! Hey, report to master Garr that mistress  
Philia is here."

Guard: "But...we can't just let these complete strangers into the  
castle..."

Old Soldier: "You idiot! Our country would have perished if it hadn't been  
for them! Shut up and go notify him!"

Guard: "Ye...yes!"

{The Guard enters the castle.}

Old Soldier: "Please excuse him... He's a new recruit and doesn't know any better."

Philia: "How do you know about us?"

Darzen: "Philia, have you forgotten me?"

Philia: "You're that..."

Darzen: "Yes, that 'ghost'..."

Stahn: "Darzen, are you still upset about that?"

Philia: "...Please forgive me."

Darzen: "I'll think about it."

{The Guard is back.}

Guard: "He'll see you now. Please come this way."

Darzen: "I'll see you later."

Stahn: "Thanks."

{The Guard takes Stahn & Philia to the audience hall.  
Garr is in the throne. Chelsea is also there.}

Guard: "Here they are."

Garr: "Very good, you can go now."

Guard: "Yes, sire."

Garr: "Welcome. I'm glad you came."

Stahn: "I'm glad to see you."

Garr: "Won't you stay for a while? You must be tired."

Philia: "We appreciate your kindness but there are more pressing things we must take care of. The Eye of Atamoni is missing."

Garr: "What?!"

Philia: "I believe the King of Seinegald can give us the details. We'd like to ask your help one more time."

Stahn: "We're going straight to Darilsheid after we leave here."

Philia: "We must go to Cresta first. We need Rutee's help too."

Stahn: "You're absolutely right."

Philia: "Cresta is east of Darilsheid."

Garr: "Say no more... I'll go with you."

Philia: "Thank you."

{Garr removes his robe.}

Chelsea: "Garr, take me with you!"

Garr: "No, Chelsea. This is serious business."

Chelsea: "Phoooooey! Sure, that's what you always say! I don't care...  
Don't worry, I'll keep myself busy here..."

Stahn: "See you later, Chelsea."

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{The party rides the ship that will take them to Darilsheid.  
They leave the city and travels to Cresta.}

~~Cresta, Seinegald~~

{Rutee appears to be in an orphanage.}

Rutee: "You should watch where you're going or you'll hurt yourself."

Children: "Yeeeeesssss."

{The party hides from Rutee.}

Philia: "This looks like an orphanage."

Stahn: "Oh, when Rutee said she had to protect someone, she meant these  
children... Philia, do we have to take Rutee with us?"

Philia: "I was thinking the same thing."

Stahn: "After seeing her like that, it's hard to ask her to come with  
us."

Garr: "I agree."

Dymlos: "Stahn, what are you saying?! Don't you understand how bad our  
predicament really is?! The world may perish if we take any  
chances!"

Stahn: "Dymlos, stay out of this."

Philia: "I agree with Stahn."

Clemente: "Philia, you too? Do you realize what's at stake if the Eye of  
Atamoni is abused?"

Dymlos: "Bah! You fools! You'd better think really hard about this!"

{Rutee finds them and starts to eavesdrop.}

Stahn: "Why can't you understand?!  
...Have you forgotten the meaning of happiness?!"

Dymlos: "What?!"

Philia: "Let's go."

Stahn: "Yeah, we can do it by ourselves."

Rutee: "Wait just a minute!"

Stahn: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "I've been listening quietly to you guys.  
Now, don't go making up your minds about what's good for me!!"

Stahn: "Oh, you heard..."

Rutee: "You must be happy since you two are together...  
But being left out of the cold is no fun, and I'm not gonna  
let that happen!"

Philia: "We didn't mean to...'"

Rutee: "...I'm just kidding...At any rate,  
we've traveled together before. You should know better!"

Stahn: "But you're living here happily with these children..."

Garr: "Yes, leave it to us. We'll take care of this."

Rutee: "That's okay. I don't really belong here anyway...  
Besides, if there's anything I can do to protect this kids,  
I'm up for any challenge that comes my way."

Stahn: "Then..."

Rutee: "Yeah, take me with you. Please."

Stahn: "All right."

Rutee: "Then, can you wait just a minute?  
I'll take Atwight out of storage."

{Rutee leaves.}

Stahn: "In storage?"

Philia: "I'm afraid to ask..."

Garr: "Sounds like our Rutee."

{Rutee comes back.}

Rutee: "Thanks for waiting. Let's go!"

Stahn: "Let's hurry back to Darilsheid!"

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#20-Revelations: Libra IV-----[d.20]#  
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{The party heads to Seinegald Castle, in the capital city, Darilsheid.}

Stahn: "I'm here, your majesty."

King of Seinegald: "Thank you for coming."

Garr: "Please explain what happened."

King of Seinegald: "The Eye of Atamoni under our protection was stolen by someone."

Stahn: "Someone? You don't know who stole it?"

King of Seinegald: "It's not confirmed...but two people have been missing since the theft occurred."

Rutee: "Who are they?"

King of Seinegald: "Hugo and Leon."

Rutee: "What?!"

Stahn: "No way!"

Philia: "I don't believe it!"

Rutee: "You must be mistaken!"

King of Seinegald: "Sadly, it's true. If you doubt my words, go ahead and check Hugo's mansion. People at Oberon Corporation are looking for them as well. Hugo and Leon disappeared with the Eye of Atamoni and the Draconis."

Stahn: "The Draconis too..."

Garr: "I mean no disrespect... However you told us that you would secure the Eye of Atamoni underground beneath the castle."

King of Seinegald: "Well, yes....."

Garr: "How will you take responsibility for this blunder?"

King of Seinegald: "Yes, this was my mistake. I placed too much trust in Hugo... And I'm willing to take full responsibility for my actions."

Garr: "Your majesty..."

King of Seinegald: "However, we must act, and act fast.  
I want you to find these two, and the eye of Atamoni."

Stahn: "I understand."

Rutee: "We don't have any choice."

Philia: "I'll do my best."

Garr: "I shall return with good tidings."

-General Isard: "Just as I suspected...  
I had the premonition that they were up to no good."

-General Lewein: "Thomas must be proud of his grandson..."

Don't let him down, Stahn."

-General Melina: "We're all liable since we couldn't see through him.

-General Vims: "Damn that @\$%\*&! bastard... The next time I see him,  
I'll cut him in half!"

-General Leen: "About the only thing that we knew about Hugo was his title as  
the President of the Oberon corporation.

-General Ashley: "I never thought Hugo would do anything like this.  
I guess you can never tell."

{The party goes searching in Hugo's mansion for clues.  
It's packed with Oberon Employees who came to report that the Lens  
on the factory were stolen. They're all looking for Hugo.}

{Anyway, the party goes to the room where they always find Hugo before.}

Stahn: "Hey, there's a book on the table in the back...  
I wonder what that could be?"

{Stahn checks out the book.}

Stahn: "'Libra IV'? I wonder what that means?"

Rutee: "Someone from Oberon Corporation might know something  
about this."

Stahn: "Yeah, you might be right."

Oberon Corp Employee: "'Libra IV'? How did you find out about that code?"

Stahn: "Do you know what it means?"

Oberon Corp Employee: "Libra is the code name for our factory that used  
to be on an island north of Cresta."

Stahn: "Used to be? It's not there any more?"

Oberon Corp Employee: "Yeah. That place's been closed for many years.  
I think no one's there."

Rutee: "Something sounds fishy."

Stahn: "How do we get there?"

Oberon Corp Employee: "There's really no way to go there. We used to be able  
to go there by ship, but no ships travel that route  
now... Unless you charter a boat or use the Draconis,  
it's pretty much impossible."

Stahn: "I heard the Draconis was missing too..."

Oberon Corp Employee: "Maybe you'll just have to give up."

{The party returns to the King of Seinegald to report what they've found out.}

Garr: "I wish to report that we've discovered a code at Hugo's

mansion that tells about his whereabouts."

King of Seinegald: "What? You know where Hugo went?"

Garr: "Yes. Although we haven't confirmed this yet, it appears that he went to an abandoned factory.

King of Seinegald: "Where is that?"

Garr: "It's on an island north of Cresta."

King of Seinegald: "Good work. Use one of my ships and go there."

Garr: "Yes, sire."

{The party heads to Darilsheid Harbor and to ask one of the captains to take them to the factory.}

Captain: "This ship is goin' to Calvalse. Are ya headin' that way?"

Stahn: "No. I want you to take us to an island north of Cresta."

Captain: "An island north of Cresta?"

Stahn: "We heard that a factory was located there. We have to go there."

Captain: "A factory eh? Awright, matey. If it's an order from the King, it's an order that I'll obey. Prepare to set sail!"

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{The ship takes them to the Oberon Corp Secret Factory.}

~~Libra IV~~

Rutee: "Wait! Wasn't this factory supposed to be out of commission?"

Stahn: "Yeah, that's what it's supposed to be."

Rutee: "But the place is alive!"

Garr: "Rutee is right. This must all be Hugo's doing."

Philia: "Then, we must hurry."

Dymlos: "You must act quick or it will be too late!"

Stahn: "I know that!"

Philia: "Excuse me... I wonder if Leon really took the Eye of Atamoni?"

Stahn: "Philia..."

Rutee: "Look, this abandoned factory is active! Who else would do something like this?!"

Philia: "But he might be under Hugo's control! There must be some rational explanation for all of this..."

Rutee: "Whether or not he had his reasons, the fact remains that the Eye of Atamoni is missing! And... And that kid wouldn't pause for a moment to pull a stunt like this."

Philia: "Rutee...  
Stahn... Have you no faith in Leon?"

-> 1. I still have faith in him.

Stahn: "I have faith in Leon."

Rutee: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "We've traveled together for a long time! This is all Hugo's fault. Leon's just being used by him. That's all."

Rutee: "Stahn...  
"All right. I'll try to give him the benefit of the doubt for now. But we have to get the Eye of Atamoni back."

Stahn: "Yeah..."

-> 2. I think he's responsible for this.

Stahn: "Unfortunately, I think Leon's behind all of this."

Philia: "Stahn!!"

Stahn: "Of course, I want to believe in him! But I think he put Dymlos and the others to sleep so that he could steal the Eye of Atamoni!"

Garr: "...It has to be him."

Philia: "B, but..."

Stahn: "Whatever the case, we must get the Eye of Atamoni back as soon as possible!"

Rutee: "You're right."

-> 3. I don't know

Stahn: "....."

Philia: "Stahn?"

Stahn: "...I don't know! Leon betrayed us... I don't even want to think about things like that right now!"

Garr: "...We must get the Eye of Atamoni back first."

Rutee: "You're right."

{The party explores the place and finds an Oberon Corp Employee in one of the rooms.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "You @#\$%&\* dogs! I won't let you leave here alive!"

{The party defeats the employee. They explore the area more and encounters

another employee.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "You!!! Intruders!!! Don't think you can leave this factory alive!!"

{After the battle...}

Stahn: "Hey? What's this?"

{Stahn gets ID Card (Blue). The party checks the factory more and encounters a lock door, with a blue panel beside it. It looks like an insertion slot for something.}

Stahn: "...Maybe I can use that thing I picked up earlier..."

{Stahn inserts the ID Card B (Blue) in the opening. They enter the door and encounter another employee.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "Destroy the intruders! Destroy! Destroy!"

{They defeat the Oberon Corp goons.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "You're strong. I like strong people. You know, I'll tell you something good. Did you know that the 'I' in the password means 'metal' I think you're smart enough to figure out the password...  
....."

{The employee is dead. The party moves along and finds their way into a room with some terminals. They checked the upper-left one first.}

Stahn: "Some characters are displayed on the monitor..."

[Monitor]: "V=Blue"

{Then they check the one on the lower-right...}

Stahn: "Some characters are displayed on the monitor..."

[Monitor]: "X=Green"

{They walk more and gets into a room with another employee. They approach and talk to the employee.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "You must be the infidels who dare to go against Master Hugo!!"

{They defeat the enemies...}

Oberon Corp Employee: "Heh, non bad... ...I'll tell you what, here's something you might find interesting. The door on the second hallway won't be easy to open. If you want to open it, you have to enter a password into a computer. It'll be difficult for you just to guess the password... Part of the password is a color. For example, 'X' means 'Green'... If you still can't figure it out, get a hint from the terminal in the other room. But it'll be impossible for you to get to master Hugo even if you find out the password! You'll be utterly helpless and hopeless!!

Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha!!! Ughh...  
....."

{The employee dies. The move along to reach a room with a computer in the center.}

Stahn: "This monitor is on."

[Monitor]: "Enter <IV>."

{They enter Blue first, then Metallic Blue.}

[Monitor]: "Verifying password... ..  
Password verified. Disabling security system...  
Gate 8 security disabled."

{The door to the north is now open. The party enters it and talks to the seemingly busy Oberon Corp Employee.}

Oberon Corp Employee: "You'll never get this!"

{The party trashes the employee.}

Stahn: "Hmm, a card..."

{Stahn gets ID Card R (Red). They get into a locked door with a panel on its right, just like the one earlier except that this has a red one.}

Stahn: "The red card should open this..."

{Stahn inserts ID Card R (Red) in the opening. They enter the door and explore the area. They reach a room with another employee in it.}

Oberon Corp employee: "This is a restricted area.  
Unauthorized personnel may not enter."

Rutee: "This factory isn't even operational! There can't be any restricted areas!"

Oberon Corp Employee: "How do you know that?!"

Rutee: "Why don't you just come clean and say that Hugo is up to no good back there!"

Oberon Corp Employee: "...Since you know too much already,  
I can't allow you to live.  
You'll take our secret to your grave!"

{After all that talk, the party defeats the employee.}

Stahn: "Hugo must be back there."

Rutee: "Let's hurry."

{They enter the door into an area that looks like a giant machine.}

Stahn: "Is this an elevator that goes underground?"

Dymlos: "Hmmm, there's something suspicious going on here."

Stahn: "It's moving!"

{The elevator takes them far down into an area that looks like a cave.  
They explore this area and finally reach a room.}

Hugo: "Leon, what's wrong?"

Leon: "....."

Hugo: "You look as if you want to say something. It's fine with me if you don't come. I'll go through with this myself. You'll be left here to await your death. This woman will be with you, of course. Are you happy now?"

Leon: "You dirty, rotten..."

Hugo: "Why do you think I brought this woman? She's only a hostage. Or did you forget your promise that you'd help me if I spared this woman's life?"

Marian: "Emilio, stop it! I don't care what happens to me!  
This is insane..."

Hugo: "A hostage should be quiet. Or must I gag your mouth by force?"

Leon: "Don't you dare touch Marian! You're right.  
I'll do anything if you save Marian's life."

Marian: "Emilio..."

Hugo: "Ha, ha, ha, I'm glad we have an understanding. If you behave yourself, she won't have to die. Why couldn't you be more understanding like this from the beginning, Emilio?"

Leon: "....."

Hugo: "Well, never mind... Hmmm...I hear some unwelcome visitors..."

{The party enters the scene.}

Dymlos: "Be careful Stahn! Someone's there!"

Stahn: "Yeah! There they are!"

Rutee: "Hugo, wait a minute!"

Rembrandt: "Stop! Don't come any closer!"

Hugo: "Emilio! Finish them!"

Marian: "No! Stop!"

Stahn: "Marian!"

Hugo: "You! Shut up!"

{Hugo and Rembrandt move along, taking Marian with them.}

Stahn: "Leon! Step aside!"

Leon: "....."

Garr: "Leon!! Don't you understand what's going on?!"

Leon: "It is you who doesn't understand."

Garr: "What?!"

Leon: "You were used by Hugo. He used you to get the Eye of Atamoni from Lydon. Everything has happened according to his plan."

Chaltier: "Well, with the exception of all of you coming here."

Dymlos: "Chaltier! You traitor!"

Atwight: "You knew everything!"

Clemente: "You fool! Have you lost your mind?!"

Chaltier: "Say what you want. But it's out of our control now."

Clemente: "You have no right to say that!"

Chaltier: "You should acknowledge the fact that is useless to go against the ancient ways."

Dymlos: "Shut up! Traitor!"

Philia: "Wait, Leon. Aren't you really the one who was used by Hugo?"

Stahn: "That's right! Wake up, Leon!"

Leon: "You know, you're absolutely right. I am merely a disposable tool to Hugo."

Philia: "No..."

Rutee: "How can you still be on Hugo's side knowing all of this?"

Leon: "....."

Rutee: "Are you stupid?! What were you thinking?!"

Leon: "I'm not doing this for Hugo! I'm doing this to protect the most important person to me!"

Stahn: "Important person?"

Rutee: "Hey, what's with the heroics?"

Leon: "Someone who was abandoned like you can never truly understand."

Rutee: "What did you say?!"

Garr: "Rutee, he's trying to anger you."

Rutee: "Oh, shut up! Leon! You'd better not say another word about me!!!"

Leon: "Haven't you figured it out yet?  
You wouldn't be talking like this if  
you realized that you were abandoned by Hugo!"

Rutee: "What are you talking about?!"

Leon: "Yes, you!"

Rutee: "What?"

Leon: "You were abandoned by Hugo. Yes, you were abandoned with  
Atwight. The Atwight your mother gave you!"

Rutee: "What are you talking about?!  
There's no way you could know that kind of thing..."

Leon: "I'm Hugo's son."

Stahn: "What?!"

Leon: "And the oldest daughter of Hugo and my mother, Chris Katrea,  
is... you Rutee!"

Rutee: "Atwight..."

Atwight: "This, this is nonsense!"

Leon: "Oh, you haven't told Rutee?"

Atwight: "Rutee, don't believe him!"

Leon: "You're so cold-hearted. Well, my kind sister...  
Can you still kill me now?"

Rutee: "....."

Stahn: "Stop it Leon! You've said enough already!  
Don't say anything else!"

Leon: "Oh, how chivalrous, like a knight. It really suits you."

Stahn: "What?!"

Leon: "Well, I can kill anyone. I'll kill my parents, brothers,  
or sisters to protect what's important to me!"

{The party fights Leon and defeats him.}

Leon: "Not yet...it's not over yet."

Stahn: "Leon, stop."

Leon: "I can't let you come after me..."

{The place starts shaking.}

Stahn: "What's that?!"

Leon: "Heh, heh, heh...it's started. Victory shall be mine..."

Stahn: "What?!"

Leon: "The countdown to the end of the world has started.  
Now, no one can stop it."

Dymlos: "Oh no, it's falling!"

Clemente: "Run, hurry!"

Rutee: "We can't turn our backs against the enemy!"

Stahn: "We have to finish this first!"

Dymlos: "You idiots! We don't have time!"

Philia: "Aaaahhh! Water!"

{A flood fills the cave. The rapids take the party.}

Leon: "Ha, ha, ha...Farewell... Marian..."

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{The party ends up near the Draconis.}

Stahn: "Are you all right?!"

Rutee: "Yeah, barely..."

Philia: "Where is Leon?"

Garr: "If he's not around here, he may have been swallowed up  
in the rapids..."

Stahn: "That fool..."

Garr: "It's a matter of time before this place sinks.  
Let's escape on the Draconis Hugo was using."

Stahn: "Let's go then."

~~The Draconis~~

{On the deck, they witness the island sinking.}

Stahn: "It's sinking..."

Garr: "It this it? Is this the end?"

Philia: "Look! Look at that!!"

Rutee: "What's that?!"

{The party witnesses a huge thing rise from the sea to the sky.  
Something like a huge sword is noticeably attached below it.}

Dymlos: "It's the Aeropolis..."

Stahn: "The Aeropolis? What are you talking about?  
Dymlos, what's going on?!"

Dymlos: "They have returned..."

Stahn: "Hey, Dymlos!"

Rutee: "What's that noise?"

Atwight: "Oh, no! Quickly! Get inside the Draconis!"

Rutee: "What?"

Atwight: "Hurry! Quick!"

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~~Darilsheid, Seinegald~~

{In front of Seinegald castle, two guards are talking.}

Soldier: "Oy!"

{Another soldier comes from inside the castle. They stare in the sky.}

Soldier: "What's that sound?!"

{A ray of light from the Aeropolis' weapon hits the land,  
sucking the terrain into the sky.}

Soldier: "Arrrrrrrrrrgh!"

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~~The Draconis~~

Rutee: "The ground..."

Stahn: "What's going on?!"

Dymlos: "It's Belcrant."

Stahn: "What did you say?"

Dymlos: "Belcrant is the ultimate weapon of mass destruction.  
It's the ultimate weapon and a relic of the ancient  
Aeth'er Wars."

Rutee: "A relic of the Aeth'er Wars? What's it doing here?!"

Atwight: "The Eye of Atamoni... The capital of all the Aeropolis is  
called Dycroft. Belcrant is located there...  
It operates with energy from the Eye of Atamoni."

Dymlos: "But what is this shell? And the half sphere that emits blue  
light?!"

Clemente: "There was nothing like that during the Aeth'er Wars!"

Atwight: "Is it possible that it has evolved over a long period of time?!"

Dymlos: "I don't think that a city can evolve like that by itself!"

Stahn: "Damn, I don't get any of this!!"

Garr: "But at least it seems clear that we must stop this.  
We need more answers..."

Rutee: "Yeah, what's going on?!"

Dymlos: "At the end of the ancient wars, when we were about to enter our  
sleep... We were given a mission."

Clemente: "We were ordered to destroy the Eye of Atamoni so that Dycroft  
could never be restored."

Atwight: "Ever since we were reawakened, our intent was to destroy the  
Eye of Atamoni. As a result, we ended up deceiving you all..."

Dymlos: "But Leon was aware of what we were doing. And he led us around  
by the nose. At this rate, the surface will be totally  
destroyed by Belcrant."

Philia: "This can't be..."

Garr: "Is there any way to stop it?"

Clemente: "All of this will cease if the Eye of Atamoni, which is at the  
center of Dycroft, is destroyed."

Stahn: "But can we get to Dycroft with this ship?"

Garr: "We can try. Hold on, everyone!"

{Garr tries to take the Draconis to Dycroft, but fails.}

Garr: "Damn, is this the limit?!"

Stahn: "We're fa, falling!"

{The Draconis starts falling. The controls inside are damaged.}

Garr: "Is everybody alright?"

Stahn: "Ouch..."

Philia: "I'm fine."

Rutee: "Yeah, I'm okay too..."

Garr: "Even Draconis can't get to the Aeropolis...  
With this much damage, it won't be able to fly.  
We must come up with another way."

Dymlos: "There is only one way."

Atwight: "This could mean the beginning of another Aeth'er Wars."

Clemente: "But there is no other way."

Stahn: "What are our options? What should we do? Tell us!"

Dymlos: "Long ago, the ground troops were painted into a corner like we are today. However, we were able to capture Dycroft and win the final victory."

Clemente: "But it will be dangerous."

Stahn: "I already know it's dangerous!"

Atwight: "What do other people think?"

Garr: "We can't give up now!"

Rutee: "Of course not!"

Philia: "Please help us."

Dymlos: "All right. What we did was to raise a city up into the sky... And we sent our Swordian team to infiltrate Dycroft, the capital of all the Aeropolis."

Atwight: "The city we used was called Radisrol."

Clemente: "Philia, do you recall the undersea city where I summoned you?"

Philia: "Yes."

Clemente: "Radisrol was the headquarters of the Er'ther army."

Dymlos: "If we can restore Radisrol, we may be able to reach Dycroft."

Garr: "This means that we should take travel by sea to get to Darilsheid."

Stahn: "Let's go!"

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#21-Er'thers' Own Aeropolis, Radisrol-----[d.21]#  
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~~Darilseid, Seinegald~~

Garr: "I have to give you some unfortunate news."

King of Seinegald: "So Hugo was behind it all, wasn't he?"

Garr: "Yes. And Leon is also a conspirator."

King of Seinegald: "I have a few questions for you.  
What is that city floating above us now in the sky?!"

Garr: "My understanding is that it is an Aeropolis, a remnant of the Aeth'er Wars."

King of Seinegald: "Then, what is that weapon that made a huge crater north of Darilsheid?"

Garr: "It is Belcrant, a weapon used in the Aeth'er Wars."

King of Seinegald: "The citizens of my country are terrified.  
They are terrified of Belcrant's next target..."

Garr: "I understand your concerns. However, we still have the means  
to protect ourselves."

King of Seinegald: "Explain."

Garr: "During the Aeth'er Wars, the Er'ther ground forces flew their  
own version of an Aeropolis into the sky. They used their  
Aeropolis to fight against the Aetherians.  
That Aeropolis was Radisrol, and it still exists."

Stahn: "We'll infiltrate the Aeropolis by using Radisrol!"

King of Seinegald: "Excellent. I'm counting on you."

{The party goes to the harbor and talks to the captain of the left ship.}

Captain: "This ship is headin' for Calvalse.  
Do you wanna go with us?"

Stahn: "Yeah, but I want you to drop us off on the way there."

Captain: "Drop you off where?"

Stahn: "The place where the sea dragon appeared...  
The Demon's Reef, I think."

Captain: "Yeah, that be the place...but..."

Stahn: "Yes, I want you to take us there."

Captain: "Are, are you crazy?! Our route has been changed since the  
sea dragon appeared. You're askin' me to do something  
completely insane."

Stahn: "Consider it a challenge, Captain."

Captain: "But, I, um...hmmm..."

Stahn: "All I'm asking you to do is drop us off there."

Captain: "But the sea dragon..."

Rutee: "Hey Captain, we asked you 'cause we heard that you're a bold  
and fearless sailor..."

Captain: "Do ya think so? Well, I guess I have to live up to my  
reputation now. But it'll be your job to drive away the  
stinkin' dragon if it shows up."

Stahn: "Sure, consider it done."

Rutee: "Leave it to us!"

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~~Radisrol~~

Stahn: "This is Radisrol..."

Dymlos: "Yes."

Rutee: "But why is it going up to the surface?"

Atwight: "Since Radisrol is sensing the revival of Dycroft, it's trying to revive itself as well."

Garr: "At any rate, let's go further inside."

Clemente: "Go to the room where I was kept. That room is Radisrol's control room."

Philia: "I understand."

{The party works their way to the control room.  
In there, a computer greets them}

??????: "Welcome, Swordian masters."

Stahn: "Who is it?!"

Clemente: "You must be Raiker!"

Raiker: "Welcome back, Swordians. It seems that the world is in grave danger again."

Atwight: "We're sorry we can't stop it from happening."

Raiker: "Well what's done is done. Let's think about our options now."

Rutee: "Hey, hey, who is Raiker?"

Stahn: "Dymlos, can you explain?"

Dymlos: "All right. Let me introduce Marius Raiker commander of the Er'ther forces during the Aeth'er Wars."

Raiker: "In reality, I'm basically a personality imprint stored within the molecularmatrix of a Core Crystal. I'm pleased to meet you, children of the Er'thers."

Stahn: "The honor is ours..."

Raiker: "Hmmm...Where's Chaltier?"

Dymlos: "He sided with the Aetherians and perished in battle."

Raiker: "That is unbelievable...Berselius is no longer with us... Igtenos is damaged... And now we have lost Chaltier too..."

Garr: "You said Igtenos was damaged. Is Igtenos only injured?"

Raiker: "Correct. A power surge caused by the Eye of Atamoni overloaded Igtenos. It's impossible for Igtenos to communicate or use his powers."

Garr: "I see. How can he be cured?"

Raiker: "Unfortunately, we can't do it here. But you may be able to find remnants of ancient technology in the Aeropolis that may revive Igtenos. That is our only hope."

Garr: "I see..."

Rutee: "By the way, who is Berselius?"

Clemente: "Berselius...  
Berselius is a Swordian that died in the Aeth'er Wars."

Rutee: "A Swordian can die?"

Atwight: "If the Core Crystal that contains our essence is destroyed, we die."

Rutee: "That's good to know."

Stahn: "Rutee?!"

Rutee: "I'm just kidding. Don't freak out."

Dymlos: "So when did Radisrol resurface?"

Raiker: "The truth of the matter is that the underwater submission drive merely stopped functioning. That is why it ceased to stay submerged underwater. In order to become airborne, a Boot Disc is necessary to reactivate the main propulsion system."

Dymlos: "A Boot Disc?"

Raiker: "Radisrol is equipped with a sophisticated security system. The system protects Radisrol from being used for questionable pursuits."

Stahn: "And where is that disc?"

Raiker: "Before that, I need an assistant."

Garr: "An assistant?"

Stahn: "But how do we go back?"

Rutee: "Yeah, we sent the ship back."

Raiker: "You can summon Bernardo, the sea dragon."

Stahn: "Sea dragon Ber...?"

Philia: "Sea dragon...Oh, that!"

Raiker: "Yes. His name is Bernardo. When you need him, blow this horn at any sea port to summon him."

{Stahn receives a Horn.}

Raiker: "Go to some country riding Bernardo and then bring me an assistant."

Garr: "Can the assistant be one of us?"

Raiker: "You already have your mission as Swordian masters.  
This job is not for you."

Stahn: "I understand."

Raiker: "Find someone...preferably a scholar or a scientist.  
The person must understand Radisrol's various operational  
systems."

Rutee: "I see. So someone like Stahn won't cut it..."

Stahn: "Sorry, I'm just an uneducated countryboy!  
Here, I said it for you. Are you happy now?!"

Garr: "To each his own... Stahn, your abilities should be  
put to use elsewhere. Yes, for more important matters."

Stahn: "Really?"

Rutee: "You shouldn't praise him too much. You're pumping up his ego.  
It's not good for his head."

Philia: "I don't think so!"

Stahn: "It's okay. We've got plenty of other things to deal with  
right now."

Garr: "Yeah, we have to find someone who can be Raiker's assistant."

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{The party looks for someone who can be Raiker's assistant.  
There are 3 possible guys for this.}

-> 1. Scientist in Otto's Lab

{The party goes to Otto's Lab at Darilsheid.}

Stahn: "Um, can you help us with your scientific skills?"

Professor Otto: "Are you crazy?!"

Stahn: "We need a scientist."

Professor Otto: "I might go with you if you're studying something like  
a mouse with overactive growth hormones or a  
glow-in-the-dark eggplant."

Stahn: (Errr, woo hoo...Let's look for somebody else...)

{Stahn talks to a scientist in the same lab.}

Stahn: "Excuse me, but can you help us?"

Scientist: "Me? Help you?"

Stahn: "Yes. We need someone with a scientific background."

Scientist: "Sure, I'll help."

-> 2. Elite Priest

{The party visits the Tower of Knowledge at Straylize Temple.  
In the top of the tower...}

Stahn: "Will you help us? We're looking for someone educated,  
hopefully with a background in science."

Ayles: "Unfortunately, I can't leave this place."

Stahn: "We need a scientist. Do you know someone who can help?"

Ayles: "Well, why don't you ask that priest?  
He's a bit strange, but he's one  
of the brightest scientists in the temple."

{Stahn talks to the priest that Ayles pointed.}

Stahn: "Ahem, can you help us?"

Elite Priest: "Me? Help you?!"

Stahn: "We need an elite scholar such as yourself."

Elite Priest: "If you put things that way, that's an offer that's hard for  
me to refuse. I'm honored. I'd be happy to help."

-> 3. Junk Hunter

~~Junk Land, Calvalsee~~

{The party visits Junkland, the town of trash and gas, located in Calvalsee.  
In front of the cave where the gas concentration is incredibly high, they  
found a guy dressed like a scientist.}

Junk Hunter: "I'm a junk hunter. I salvage many things in Junkland."

Stahn: "Junk Hunter?"

Junk Hunter: "Don't you think it sounds as good as lens hunter?"

Stahn: "Well? Umm..."

Junk Hunter: "You can learn a lot by observation. In fact, I know more  
about ancient artifacts and technologies than anyone else.  
Well, we may see each other again. I'm always here."

Stahn: "Can you help us? We need an assistant for someone."

Junk Hunter: "An assistant? Me?"

Stahn: "We need a scholar."

Junk Hunter: "Well, you've made the right choice. Sure, I'll help."

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Recruiting Characters--[s.02]#  
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+++CHELSEA TORN+++

{The party goes to Heidelberg Castle.  
There they see Chelsea sitting on the throne, wearing Garr's mantle.}

Garr: "Chelsea..."

Chelsea: "Um, oh, well, errr... I, ummm.....  
.....(mumble mumble)...  
Please, take me with you!"

-> No

Chelsea: "Phooooooy!"

-> Yes

Chelsea: "Whееееее! I'm so honored! I'll get ready right away!"

{Chelsea goes to the back of the throne and changes her outfit.}

Chelsea: "Thanks for waiting. Let's go!!"

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+++KARYL SHEEDEN+++

{The party goes to Moreau where they see Karyl playing in the square.}

Karyl: "Yo, you came to see me' cause you missed my songs?"

-> No

Karyl: "Hey, what's with givin' me the cold shoulder?  
Well, if you change your mind, come back and ask me nicely.  
A ain't goin' nowhere."

-> Yes

Karyl: "Groovy, baby. If you need my tunes, I'll hang with you."

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+++MARY ARGENT+++

{They go to Mary's house.}

Stahn: "Mary! It's been a long time!"

Mary: "Stahn, how are you? It's good to see you."

Stahn: "Mary, where's Dalis?"

Mary: "He returned to the miltia.  
They're keeping him busy over there.  
By the way, are you hungry?"

Stahn: "What?"

Mary: "Don't you want to taste my special dish, Beast Meat Supreme?"

Stahn: "Thanks, but not today. Maybe some other time."

Mary: "That's too bad. If you need anything, please drop by."

Mary: "What's the matter? Do you need my help?"

-> Please tell me the ingredients for Beast Meat Supreme

Mary: "The most important ingredient is Beast Meat.  
It's very tasty."

-> What kind of dish is it?

Mary: "This is a famous dish of Phandaria. The trick is to grill the meat on high heat quickly. The melted cheese brings out the flavor of the meat... This dish goes really well with bread. During the winter, I have this dish with a glass of wine. It really warms me up."

-> None of the above

Mary: "...I understand. But if you want to try some of my dishes, come back anytime. I'm a pretty darn good cook."

-> Please come with us.

Mary: "You know, if I'm cooped up here too long, I'll get depressed. I'm so happy that we can travel again."

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+++BRUISER KHANG+++

{Stahn participates in Neustadt Coliseum.}

Official: "You are about to enter a holy place for all fighters!  
This is a one-on-one tournament! You can only depend on yourself! Do you have enough courage to challenge the strongest fighters?!"

Stahn: "Yes."

Official: "If you want to quit now is the time.  
There is no turning back. Are you sure you want to continue?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Official: "That's the mark of a true man! Now, go forth and conquer!"

Rutee: "Finish the fight quickly and bring the goodies back!"

Garr: "Let's sit back and watch what he's really made of."

Philia: "Stahn, try to heal yourself often. And watch the distance between you and the opponent. And..."

Chelsea: "Now go and slam them!!! Wham! Bam! Kablam! Remember, slam them good!!"

Karyl: "I'll play a heroic song as my gift to you on this fine occasion."

Mary: "Good luck, Stahn."

Stahn: "No problem. Piece of cake!"

{Stahn enters the arena grounds.}

Emcee: "Laaaaaaadies and gentlemen! To all the millions of fighting fans in Fitzgald, thank you for waiting! The challenger! The challenger's name is Stahn Aileron! He's a man of courage who defeated our hero, Bruiser Khang!!"

Rutee: "You'd better kick butt!! You'd better not wimp out!"

Philia: "Stahn, please be careful..."

Chelsea: "This is soooooo exciting! Garr, can I go and fight too?"

Garr: "When you're a little older."

Chelsea: "Oh, phooey! I knew that was coming."

Karyl: "Hey, this is a perfect stage for my live act. Looks like a good crowd too! Okay, here I go!"

Emcee: "Let's begin the first battle! Here comes the first monster!"

{1st battle.}

Emcee: "Good, Stahn! A greeaaaaaaat start!"

Stahn: "Don't take a country boy lightly!"

Emcee: "All right, here comes the second monster!"

{2nd battle.}

Emcee: "Right on, Stahn! Now you're cookin'!"

Stahn: "I did it!"

Emcee: "Are you ready for the third one?!"

{3rd battle.}

Emcee: "Faaaaaaaabulous!!! Stahn, you're great!"

Stahn: "I won!"

Emcee: "Now, you're half way thought after this! Here comes the fourth one!"

{4th battle.}

Emcee: "Stahn, great moves! This is gonna be a great fight!"

Stahn: "Aren't I great?"

Emcee: "Yes, yes, yeees!  
You are mega great! Okay, here comes the fifth one!"

{5th battle.}

Emcee: "You're the man, Stahn!! you're my hero, babe!!"

Stahn: "Hero? Babe?"

Emcee: "Hey, stay sharp now! Here comes the sixth one!"

{6th battle.}

Emcee: "Show us what you're really made of!!!  
Okay, Stahn. It's the seventh one! Everyone's watching you now!"

Stahn: "Nothing's gonna stop me now!"

{7th battle.}

Emcee: "Oh, will he do it?! Will the challenger, Stahn, defeat  
number 8?!"

Stahn: "I won't lose!"

Emcee: "This is the last one, baby! Everyone's pullin' for ya! Go for  
number 8!"

{8th battle.}

Emcee: "Unbeeeeelievable!! Stahn defeated 8 monsters!  
This is greeeeeeeeat!!"

Stahn: "I'm the champion!!"

Emcee: "Now, hey, it's too early for you to claim that just yet!"

Stahn: "You mean I've still gotta fight?"

Emcee: "It's him! It's him! The only one who can stand in the way  
of your path to victory. There can be only one!!  
Heeeeeeeey, kids! Who is this man?! He's our own..."

Spectators: "Khang! Khang!!! Khang!!!!!"

Emcee: "Yeeeeeeeeees, everyone! The greatest hero of Fitzgald,  
Bruiser Khang! Show us your power!! Here he comes!!"

Khang: "I'm the champion!"

{Stahn defeats Khang.}

Emcee: "Khang's reign is over!!! The winner is Stahn!  
And he's only 19 years old!"

Stahn: "I'm the strongest man in Fitzgald!!"

Khang: "Hey, kid! I've got next!! Remember that!"

Emcee: "The age of Stahn has arrived!  
This is your first job as champion!"

Miss Arena Runner-Up: "Congratulations!"

Miss Arena: "I loooooove strong men!"

{The Miss Arena hands over the prize to Stahn.}

Emcee: "Please give the new champion, Stahn Aileron.  
A big round of applause again!"

{At the Waiting Room...}

Rutee: "Stahn, you were great."

Philia: "Congratulations, Stahn."

Garr: "You were tough out there."

Chelsea: "It was reeeeeeeally great! You fought ferociously like a  
crazed tiger!"

Garr: "Chelsea...calm down."

Chelsea: "Oh...whatever... but he was reeeeeeeally great!"

Stahn: "Heh, heh..."

Khang: "Wait a minute!"

Stahn: "What do you want?"

Khang: "Take me with you!"

Stahn: "Why?"

Khang: "The loser should follow the victor.  
That's the way it should be. You defeated me.  
Take me with you."

-> No

Stahn: "No, I don't think so."

Khang: "Well, then I'll stay here. I won't lose next time."

-> Yes.

Stahn: "All right. Let's go."

Khang: "Really?"

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{Now, that Stahn was able to get an assistant for Raiker,  
the party returns to Radisrol.}

~~Radisrol~~

Raiker: "Is this my assistant?"

Stahn: "Yes. He's from Junkland.  
He's familiar with ancient history and artifacts."

Junk Hunter: "Yeah, you can count on me."

Raiker: "Hmm...sounds like he needs some training... Anyway,  
I'm counting on you to find the Boot Disc."

Stahn: "Where is that disc?"

Raiker: "There is a temple inside a cave west of Lienea. The cave is  
located near a bay. You can't walk to the cave. You must  
approach the cave with the sea dragon from the sea.  
The disc should be somewhere within that temple.  
As soon as you bring the disc, we'll be able to fly Radisrol."

Stahn: "I understand."

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{The party heads to the Hidden Temple to find Radisrol's boot disc.  
They head north and find a depression in form a sword beside a  
lock door. It seems that a Swordian is the key.}

Stahn: "Someone should stay here with the Swordian. Who will stay?"

-> 1. Stahn

Stahn: "All right. I'll stay here."

Rutee: "Fine, then you're on guard duty.  
Try not to get into trouble, okay?"

Stahn: "Yeah yeah, sure sure."

Dymlos: "Well, do what we must."

{Stahn attaches the Swordian into the depression and the door opens  
Rutee and the others moves on.}

Stahn: "Hey, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "What is it, Stahn?"

Stahn: "I feel so confident and strong whenever I'm fighting together  
with you. I guess what I really want to say is...I can trust  
you..."

Dymlos: "Why are you saying the obvious? Cut it out.  
You're embarrassing yourself."

Stahn: "What?"

Dymlos: "I choose you, and I never make mistakes.  
I choose my partners well."

Stahn: "I thought you said in the tavern at Janos that it didn't matter who you choose..."

Dymlos: "Well, that was..."

Stahn: "Does this mean that you've accepted me? Am I right??"

Dymlos: "...Well, I guess you're right..."

Stahn: "Great! I'll keep doing my best so you won't laugh at me."

{The others come back.}

Rutee: "I'm back. I got it."

Stahn: "Great, let's go back to Radisrol."

-> 2. Rutee

Rutee: "I understand. I'll stay here."

Stahn: "We'll be back soon."

Rutee: "You'd better be."

Atwight: "Do we have a choice?"

{Rutee attaches Atwight in the depression and the door opens.}

Rutee: "Don't worry about me. Get the Boot Disc!"

-> 3. Philia

Philia: "I'll stay here."

Stahn: "Are you sure. If anything happens, call out for help."

Philia: "Yes, I understand."

Clemente: "We'll find some way to amuse ourselves while you're gone."

{Philia attaches Clemente in the depression and the door opens.}

Philia: "I'll be all right. Please find the Boot Disc."

-> 4. Garr

Garr: "I'll stay here."

Stahn: "We'll be back soon."

Garr: "Find the Boot Disc, Stahn."

Igtenos: "....."

{Garr attaches Igtenos in the depression and the door opens.}

Garr: "Don't concern yourself about me. Make sure not to let your guard down at anytime. Anything can be down there."

{There are 3 rooms where a Swordian Master has to be left behind.  
If Stahn is the one that goes and finds the Boot Disc, he fights  
a Dragon Knight who is guarding some treasure chests.}

Stahn: "Is the Boot Disc in that treasure box?"

{Stahn takes the Boot Disc and goes back.}

-Rutee: "Wow, you found the Boot Disc! Great job."

-Philia: "You found the Boot Disc? I'm so glad."

-Garr: "Stahn, I'm glad you're safe."

Rutee: "That sound again!"

Stahn: "It can't be!"

{A scene follows, showing Belcrant firing a ray of light that hits  
the land. It sucks more terrain to the sky.}

Garr: "Did it go off again?!"

Philia: "The surface will be completely destroyed if this continues..."

Stahn: "I'm not going to let Hugo get away with all this!"

Garr: "You're right. We must get Radisrol completely operational as  
soon as possible!"

Stahn: "Yes! Let's hurry back!"

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{The party returns to Radisrol's control room with the Boot Disc.}

~~Radisrol~~

Stahn: "We have the Boot Disc."

Assistant: "We've been waiting for it. We're all set here."

Stahn: "How was your training like?  
Are you familiar with Radisrol now?"

Assistant: "Yes I am. Thanks to Raiker's training."

Raiker: "Well done. You were quick. Give that to the assistant."

Assistant: "I'll take that. Please step back and don't interfere."

Raiker: "Let's start."

Assistant: "Yes."

Raiker: "Bring the auxiliary engine online."

Assistant: "Set the auxiliary engine's minimum speed at 1600RPM.  
Gyroscopic stabilizers online and stable."

Raiker: "Proceed slowly at 0.5 forward electricity."

Assistant: "Inject power into the main engine."

Raiker: "Change the auxiliary engine mode from stage 2 to stage 3 battle speed."

Assistant: "Starting up main engine core."

Raiker: "Change the auxiliary engine mode to stage 4 battle speed."

Assistant: "Initiating main engine calibration protocol."

Raiker: "Prepare to bring main engine online."

Assistant: "Starting main engine power sequencers."

Raiker: "10 seconds to main engine ignition.  
9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1..."

Assistant: "Engaging main engine."

Raiker: "Radisrol liftoff."

{Radisrol lifts up to the sky.}

Assistant: "Hatch interface complete."

Raiker: "Hey!"

Assistant: "Um, yes...hatch interface complete."

Raiker: "Oh, well. So far so good."

{An image is displayed on the computer screen.  
It is a map of the Aethersphere.}

Raiker: "We are here right now. An Aeropolis called Ignasea should have a Warp Gate that can transport you to another Aeropolis."

Stahn: "Warp Gate?"

Dymlos: "A Warp Gate is like a door connecting one Aeropolis to another. It creates paths between distant places."

Raiker: "Travel across the Aethersphere and infiltrate the Aeropolis Ignasea. Your ultimate objective is to reach Dycroft. Remember to activate the anti-grav elevator. You can use it to travel between the Aethersphere and Darilsheid."

Garr: "How do we operate it?"

Raiker: "The anti-grav elevator operates automatically if you stand on it. During the ancient war, supplies were delivered up to the skies with this system."

Rutee: "Sounds pretty handy."

Dymlos: "Use the anti-grav elevator when you need to go back down to the

surface."

Raiker: "Now, go on!"

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#The Tricycle--[s.03]#  
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{In the northwestern house in Armeida,  
Stahn walks to an old woman sleeping in bed.}

Grandma: ".....  
Huh? Oh, itsh you Gale.  
Did you come back to get what you forgot?"

Stahn: "Huh?"

Grandma: "Yesh, you always forget at leasht one thing.  
I think you're about the only one who forgets to take the  
Lensh before going to exchange them."

{Stahn is forced to take 500 Lens.}

Stahn: "There must be some kind of misunderstanding..."

Grandma: "What are you talking about? I'm going back to shleep,  
so get on your way. By the way, I want fish for dinner."

Stahn: "...She's half ashleep...I mean asleep..."

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{On the Oberon Corp's store in Darilsheid, Stahn finds a guy who  
looks frustrated.}

Gale: "(Sigh)...I came all the way here and forgot to bring the  
Lens for exchange... It's a pain to go back again, and that  
old hag won't bother bringing it over for me..."

Philia: (This is the grandchild of the old woman who gave you the Lens  
by mistake in Armeida. Shouldn't you return it?)

-> 1. No, I don't want to return it.

Stahn: (But it might not be this person, right? And besides,  
we should return it directly to the old woman,  
so there's no mistake.)

Philia: (...Do you think so...?  
Okay then, please make sure you return it.)

-> 2. Yes, I want to return it.

Stahn: "Um, excuse me."

Gale: "What do you want?"

Stahn: "This is from your grandmother..."

Gale: "Lens? Oh, you guys came here just to give it to me?  
Ya know, I came to do exchange, but I forgot the Lens.  
I was worried if I should go back to get it. Thanks.  
Oh, yeah, I should give you something for your troubles.  
I rode on this to get here, but I don't need it any more.  
I want you to have it."

{Stahn receives a tricycle.}

Gale: "Well, I should buy some weapons and go home."

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#22-Ignasea and the Warp Gate-----[d.22]#  
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{The party goes to Ignasea.}

~~Ignasea~~

{They explore Aeropolis Ignasea until they reach a warp gate.}

Dymlos: "The Warp Gate has been...destroyed."

Stahn: "What?!"

Dymlos: "Perhaps...No, it can't be!"

Stahn: "What is it, Dymlos?"

Clemente: "The Gate is connected to Dycroft and three other major  
Aeropolises."

Atwight: "It's too much of a coincidence to believe the Gate was  
destroyed by accident."

Garr: "Did someone intentionally destroy it?"

Rutee: "Come on, it's so obvious someone's trying to make  
life difficult for us."

Philia: "But we won't be able to go any further without using the Gate."

Dymlos: "We have to come up with another plan.  
Then, let's return to Radisrol and consult Raiker."

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Chelsea's Past--[s.04]#  
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{The party returns to Radisrol.

Garr stops on the way to the Control Room.}

Garr: "Stahn wait a minute."

Chelsea: "I really feel homesick. I wanna go home."

Garr: "Chelsea, don't be selfish."

Chelsea: "I'm not being selfish. I'm just worried about my grandpa."

Stahn: "All right.  
Let's go to Alba's cabin when we get the chance, okay?"

Chelsea: "Thank you, thank you! I'm so happy."

Garr: "Stahn, you shouldn't spoil Chelsea like this.  
It's not good for her."

Stahn: "But Chelsea is still a child."

Chelsea: "But I'm not a child! Phoooooey!"

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~~Mountain Cabin~~

{The party visits Alba's cabin in the mountains of Phandaria.  
Chelsea immediately runs to where Alba is.}

Chelsea: "Grandpa."

Garr: "Stahn, I'm sorry this happened when time is so precious...  
I apologize for Chelsea's selfishness."

Stahn: "Oh, no, don't think that way. I respect Chelsea's kindness."

Chelsea: "Grandpa, please don't die..."

{Stahn and Garr looks surprised from what they heard.  
They follow Chelsea's voice to a room, where Alba is lying on a bed.}

Chelsea: "Grandpa, please don't die..."

Garr: "Master, are you feeling all right?"

Alba: "Don't worry... We've all got to face our maker sometime.  
That's an inevitable aspect of life."

Chelsea: "Grandpa, don't say that...  
Noooooo...please don't leave me..."

Alba: "Chelsea, can you fix something to eat for me?  
I'd like to have something warm.  
It's been a while since I've had a warm meal."

Chelsea: "Sure, anything you want. I'll make something good.  
Please wait."

{Chelsea goes out to make something to eat.}

Garr: "Master, how are you?"

Alba: "How am I feeling?"

Garr: "I didn't know you were ill."

{Alba gets up from bed.}

Alba: "Of course you didn't. Because I'm just fine."

Garr: "..... So you feigned your sickness.  
I'm a little disappointed in you."

Alba: "Hey, don't say bad things about me.  
I was in bed because it was bone-chilling cold.  
I haven't told one single lie."

Garr: "You probably haven't, but..."

Alba: "It's not my fault if people make false assumptions about  
the things they see."

Garr: "Chelsea is really worried about you."

Alba: "She is? I'm sorry that I made her worry. In that case,  
I have to use this trick more often..."

Garr: "Master, that's not funny."

Alba: "I just want to fully appreciate Chelsea's kindness."

{Chelsea comes back in.}

Chelsea: "Grandpa. I made some risotto for you..."

Alba: "Chelsea, you're such a kind child."

Chelsea: "Do you need help eating?"

Alba: "Ooooo...oooow... I guess I do..."

Chelsea: "Then, let me help you. Here, open wide..."

Alba: "Aaaahh..."

Chelsea: "I'll be right here by your side..."

Alba: "I'm so happy."

Stahn: "Garr, shall we go over there?"

Garr: "I think so."

{Garr and Stahn leave the room.}

Garr: "This is so pathetic..."

Stahn: "What do you mean?"

Garr: "Like grandfather, like granddaughter...  
I suppose it runs in their family..."

Stahn: "I don't get it."

Garr: "Well, I guess they're getting along fine

in their own strange way."

{After some time, Garr can be seen checking on Chelsea as she falls asleep.  
Garr goes to where Stahn and Alba is.}

Alba: "Is she asleep?"

Garr: "Yes. She must be tired. She's sleeping like a rock."

Stahn: "Alba?"

Alba: "What is it, son?"

Stahn: "Can I ask a question about Chelsea?"

Alba: "What do you want to know about Chelsea?"

Stahn: "Well, I don't have any specific questions in mind, but..."

Garr: "Stahn, don't waste people's time."

Stahn: "..... I'm sorry..."

Alba: "Well... Since Chelsea is going to continue her journey with you... It maybe useful for you to know about Chelsea."

Garr: "Perhaps... But..."

Alba: "Garr, I understand what you're getting at...  
However, I believe it might be helpful for him to know  
since he is going to be with with her..."

Garr: "....."

Alba: "Stahn, my boy... Will you promise to look after Chelsea?"

Stahn: "Why, of course I will."

Alba: "By the way, don't say anything to Chelsea about what  
I'm about to tell you."

Stahn: "I won't."

Alba: "I wonder where should I start...? It's been 7 years since  
Chelsea came to this cabin... It was about the time of the  
Phandaria civil war... She comes from a prestigious family  
in Phandaria..."

Alba: "She was brought up under privileged circumstances...  
However, right after the civil war broke out...  
Her father was wounded in the war and passed away.  
Moreover, their mansion in Heidelberg was destroyed during  
the war... Chelsea and her mother were left to live out in a  
meager existence..."

Alba: "Still, Chelsea was probably happy just living with her mother.  
But that wasn't the end of their misfortunes.  
Something else happened. The black plague that spread during  
the civil war (and ultimately became the reason why the  
civil war ended), was still spreading."

Alba: "Worried about her daughter... Chelsea's mother sent her to this mountain cabin to protect her... Later, her mother fell victim to the plague... and passed away.

Alba: "Chelsea lost everything she had as a little girl...  
...7 years ago."

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{FLASHBACK.}

Chelsea: "Grandpa?"

Alba: "What is it?"

Chelsea: "When can I go back to my mother?"

Alba: "Well... I think it'll take a little longer, my child."

Chelsea: "Grandpa, you said the same thing last time I asked.  
How long is a little longer?"

Alba: "Just a little longer.  
You just need to be patient a little longer."

Chelsea: "Grandpa, you always say that too. I hate you!!"

{Chelsea leaves.}

Alba: "Oh, poor thing... Should I tell her the truth?  
I just don't know..."

{END FLASHBACK.}

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Alba: "After a while... I made up my mind and told her the truth.  
It looked like it didn't sink into her for about 10 days...  
It's a difficult matter of the heart to resolve...  
Only the passage of time erased her pain."

Stahn: "I see."

Alba: "She acts like a tomboy, but she's deeply hurt inside..."

Stahn: "But I think Chelsea is ultimately glad to know the truth."

Alba: "I certainly hope so, my son."

Stahn: "Because you told her the truth...  
...didn't Chelsea open up to you?"

Alba: "Do you think so?"

Stahn: "Yes, I think so."

Alba: "Anyway, please continue to look after Chelsea."

Stahn: "I'll make sure of that."

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~~Radisrol~~

{The party goes back to Raiker.}

Raiker: "What happened?!"

Stahn: "Raiker, the Warp Gate to Dycroft has been destroyed."

Raiker: "What?! They're one step ahead of us!"

Rutee: "Is there any other way?"

Raiker: "I shouldn't say there isn't..."

Stahn: "What do we have to do? Tell us!"

Raiker: "Travel across the Aethersphere to infiltrate an Aeropolis."

Garr: "Over the Aethersphere?"

Philia: "I think that's their blind spot."

Raiker: "Now that the Warp Gate has been closed,  
there is one way to reach Dycroft."

Stahn: "What is it?"

{Raiker presents a map of the Aethersphere on the monitor.}

Raiker: "We have to use the Sky Cruiser in Mikheil."

Rutee: "The Sky Cruiser? Can't we walk over the Aethersphere to  
Dycroft?"

Assistant: "This is where we are now. Unfortunately, there is no way to  
reach Dycroft by land."

Stahn: "By the way, what is a Sky Cruiser?"

Rutee: "We've never heard of it."

Atwight: "Think of it as a smaller version of Draconis."

Assistant: "A Sky Cruiser provides short-distance aerial transportation..."

Rutee: "Okay, we get the point."

Assistant: "Really?"

Stahn: "So we can reach Dycroft if we have one of those, right?"

Raiker: "Not exactly. You have to enter Dycroft from Belcrant's  
launch port."

Garr: "Well, I guess nothing is simple."

Stahn: "So be it...we don't have a choice."

Raiker: "This is where we are now. You should be able to reach Mikheil through an Aeropolis named Josaia. To reach Josaia, you should be able to use a Warp Gate in Ignasea, which should still be functional. Good luck to you all."

Assistant: "An inn moved from Darilsheid using the anti-grav elevator. You should check it out sometime."

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#23-Mikheil and the Sky Cruiser-----[d.23]#  
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{The party goes back to Ignasea and arrives at the warp gate going to Josaia.}

{From Josaia, they work their way to Mikheil, where they find Rembrandt and Marian.}

~~Mikheil~~

Rembrandt: "Aren't you Stahn?"

Stahn: "Rembrandt?!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee...what an odd place to meet again. Hee, hee..."

Stahn: "???"

Stahn: "You ARE Rembrandt, aren't you?"

Rembrandt: "Hee? Can't you tell?"

Stahn: "What happened to you? You're talking funny..."

Rutee: "Oh, the poor guy...He's totally lost it."

Philia: "Rutee, watch your mouth.  
You must love anyone whether in sickness or in health."

Stahn: "Philia, you've lost me..."

Rutee: "You know, Philia can sometimes be so critical and get very preachy."

Philia: "I...I'm sorry. I suppose I should try to practice more restraint about passing judgment on others.  
Although you have a point, you MUST still try to...Oh, no..."

Rutee: "Philia, maybe you should just be quiet for now."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee, how can you say such rude things to my face?"

Karyl: "Don't worry, old man. If you listen to my tunes, your senility will be gone in a flash. Your mind and body will be refreshed by my miraculous singing voice."

Chelsea: "His eyes are gone... He looks really weird."

Mary: "Well, it's not too far from the truth. I don't think I was this bad when I lost my memories..."

Khang: "I don't have time to waste on a senile old man."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee...Have respect for the elderly."

Marian: "Stahn, please help me."

Stahn: "Marian? What's going on?"

Marian: "These people are plotting to do something really insane."

Garr: "Unfortunately, it's already begun."

Marian: "....."

Garr: "But we'd like your help so that the situation doesn't get any worse."

Marian: "Of course..."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee! Silence!"

Garr: "Rembrandt, I'd like you to help us too."

Marian: "Oh! Watch out! Rembrandt has a Lens weapon developed by Oberon Corporation..."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee, it's too late now! Ouch, ouch!"

{Rembrandt fires the lens weapon to take the party is down.}

Rembrandt: "Master Hugo's vision is my vision too, hee, hee, hee. Hee, hee. All of you will be executed!"

Marian: "Please, please stop! I don't want to see anyone suffer anymore."

Khang: "Hey, what are you doing sicko! You're gonna get it now!!"

Rembrandt: "Oh, am I in trouble...?"

Garr: "Must we fight each other? Must we engage in a meaningless battle again?"

Rembrandt: "Hee...Is it not working?"

Mary: "A surprise attack?! What a coward! Is that all you've got? Then it's our turn to show you our strength!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, wait a minute, hee, hee."

Stahn: "It was a little painful... But let me ask you one thing. Why are you on Hugo's side?"

Rembrandt: "Hee hee...I don't have to answer that."

Karyl: "Although you don't look the part, you're a scary (and nutty) old man. But you've picked the wrong man this time. You'll regret the fact that I'm here before you! My name is Karyl! People call me 'The Golden Voice'! Remember that!"

Rembrandt: "Hee hee, I've already forgotten it."

Rutee: "You're pretty tough, aren't you? But you'll pay dearly for this. Do you understand what I mean?"

Rembrandt: "Hee hee...how about a discount?"

Chelsea: "Do you know the word, retribution?"

Rembrandt: "Hee? Let's say that I don't know."

Chelsea: "Okay, let me tell you then."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee? Oh, that's quite all right."

Philia: "Atamoni always watches over us. Confess all your sins now."

Rembrandt: "Hee, I don't believe in Atamoni."

Philia: "You don't believe in Atamoni? What a shame... Then, allow me to convert you... Philia Bomb!"

Rembrandt: "Heeeeeee...heeeeeee... This is not good...heeeeeee!"

Stahn: "Rembrandt...Stop what you're doing."

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee, I can't do that."

Marian: "Aaaaahhhhh!!!"

Stahn: "What are you doing?!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee, I've changed my plans. I'm going to take Marian with me."

Stahn: "W...wait!"

{Stahn follows as Rembrandt takes Marian away.}

Stahn: "Wait!!!"

Marian: "Aaaahhhhhhhh!!!"

Stahn: "Marian!!!"

Stahn: "Let Marian go!!!"

Marian: "Forget about me! Please run!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, the hostage will now shut up."

{Rembrandt hits Marian.}

Marian: "Ahhhhh!!!"

Stahn: "Stop it! Don't hurt her, you coward!!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, that's what losers always say."

Stahn: "What?!"

Garr: "Stahn, don't let him bother you.  
At any rate, what is that machine he's controlling?"

Marian: "It's the secret weapon developed by Oberon Corporation.  
Watch out!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, this is the first public demonstration of Oberon  
Corporation's Biped Motion Assassin weapon.  
Hee, hee, it's called Grim Reaper 1."

Rutee: "Ha, ha, ha, ha!! What kind of name is that?!  
It's so lame! And it looks lame too!  
Hey, come and get me!"

Rembrandt: "Hee, laugh while you can."

Rutee: "What's this? I'm starting to feel weaker and weaker..."

Philia: "I don't feel good...I think I'm starting to feel pretty tired."

Stahn: "What's going on? I'm losing strength..."

Garr: "Stahn, it looks like this is a trap."

Karyl: "What's going on with me? You know, this is starting to tick  
me off immensely..."

Mary: "D...Dalis...give me strength..."

Chelsea: "Grandpa...I think I'm dying..."

Khang: "You stupid old man, what did you do?"

Rembrandt: "Hee hee, it's working. Hee hee, let's begin."

{Even though Rembrandt weakened the party, he still wasn't  
able to defeat them.}

Rembrandt: "Hee, hee..."

{Rembrandt explodes.}

Stahn: "Are you all right, Marian?"

Marian: "Yes, I'm fine but..."

Stahn: "What is it?"

Marian: "Please tell me. Is Emilio...?"

Stahn: "Umm, well...Leon is..."

Rutee: "Leon is dead."

Philia: "Rutee!"

Rutee: "What?! What's the use of hiding the truth?!"

Philia: "But we're not sure if he's dead yet..."

Rutee: "Then, do you think he's still alive?"

Philia: "Well..."

Marian: "Poor Emilio..."

Stahn: "Marian..."

Marian: "I couldn't do anything for him.  
He died without knowing what true kindness meant."

Stahn: "Marian?"

Marian: "I was hired by Hugo only because I resembled his mother. I  
know that he didn't really open his heart to me.  
He only opened himself to a shadow of his mother...  
the mother I could never be..."

Philia: "How could you..."

Rutee: "I can't believe you!"

Stahn: "Rutee?!"

Rutee: "He sacrificed himself for you!"

Marian: "He what..."

Rutee: "He was concerned about you until the very moment of his life!  
And what did you say?! He doesn't know what kindness is?!  
His mother's shadow? Don't make yourself into some  
kind of tragic heroine!"

Garr: "That's enough, Rutee."

Rutee: "Didn't you really love Leon? If you're like that,  
Leon won't be able to rest in peace!"

Marian: "Leon..."

Dymlos: "Stahn, send her back to the surface with the escape pod."

Stahn: "Oh, but is this escape pod like the one I..."

Dymlos: "That was an accident when you got on.  
It will be safe this time."

Stahn: "All right. Anyway, it's dangerous here.  
Marian, please leave in the escape pod."

Marian: "But..."

Garr: "We'll take care of things here. We'd like you to go to the  
King of Seinegald and explain the situation to him."

Marian: "I understand."

{Marian goes in in front of the escape pod.}

Rutee: "Marian..."

Marian: "....."

Rutee: "I went too far...I'm sorry."

Marian: "....."

Rutee: "Thank you for taking care of Leon.  
I thank you as his sister."

Marian: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "Leon was lucky to have someone who always cared for him.  
...So, please cheer up."

Marian: "...Yes."

{Marian gets in the escape pod and takes off.}

Stahn: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "I'll never forgive Hugo... I'll avenge Leon at any cost!"

Philia: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "I'm going to get him!"

Garr: "Then, let's board the Sky Cruiser."

{The party boards the Sky Cruiser near them.}

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~~Sky Cruiser~~

Stahn: "Engage Sky Cruise drive system!"

{The Sky Cruiser tries to reach Dycroft, however  
the Dycroft's mirror barrier and the Draconis stops them.  
The Draconis breathes fire on the Sky Cruiser.}

Stahn: "Damn it!"

{The Draconis returns to Dycroft.}

Garr: "Is everyone all right?"

Stahn: "As long as the dragon is there, we won't be able to reach  
Dycroft."

Rutee: "And what's that strange mirror shield?!"

Clemente: "They're the Guardian Draconis and the Mirror Shield."

Dymlos: "We can't get to Belcreant unless we do something about those two."

Stahn: "What should we do? Tell us!"

Clemente: "We must go to Cloudius to get rid of the Guardian Draconis. Its control center is located in Cloudius. We should be able to reach Cloudius via Deimos..."

Stahn: "How about the Mirror Shield?"

Clemente: "I can't do anything about that, but... If we can only revive Igtenos at the facility in Helraios, we might be able to...  
...Yes, we should be able to get there through Rodeon..."

Stahn: "Okay. Well, let's give it a shot."

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#24-To Start All Over Again-----[d.24]#  
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{In the warp room, the party goes through the green gate and the beam of light takes them to Rodeon.}

{Once outside of Aethersphere Rodeon, they venture to Helraios.}

?????: "You've made it this far..."

Stahn: "Ilene! What are you doing here?!"

Ilene: "I really don't want to fight you, Stahn."

Stahn: "Then, don't! You have a choice!"

Ilene: "I belong to Oberon Corporation... I can't disobey Hugo. Or will you join me and help Hugo?"

Stahn: "You must be mad! I'm never going to help someone who's trying to destroy our world!"

Ilene: "He's not trying to destroy the world. He's trying to create a new one."

Dymlos: "She's talking nonsense! Don't listen to her!"

Garr: "It's the same thing! You don't care about what happens to the people who live there already! What you're doing is no different than what Lydon tried to do!"

Rutee: "Don't you know what's happening on the surface? Who needs a new world? What's wrong with ours?"

Ilene: "That's unfortunate. I thought you would understand..."

Philia: "I have nothing against you, but if you're on Hugo's side, we don't have a choice..."

Ilene: "All right. I know now that I can't let you pass through here."

I'm waiting! Attack me!"

{The party fights and defeats Ilene.}

Ilene: "I've failed...I lost..."

Stahn: "Ilene!"

Ilene: "Please stay away, Stahn!"

Stahn: "Why...why would you side with Hugo?!"

Ilene: "Are you satisfied with the world as it is now?"

Garr: "What do you mean by that?"

Ilene: "What did you think of your world when you traveled around it? Didn't anything bother you? If nothing did, I have nothing more to say to you."

Garr: "That's an interesting thought. I know how senseless a war can be. So, I rule my country so that we will never be involved in a war. Are you that unhappy with our world?"

Ilene: "Countries, kingdoms...they're not important at all. The most important thing is what's inside people's hearts. You should have experienced things like suspicion, hatred, discrimination and calculated kindness during your travels... I've had enough of this world! There's no choice except for us to start all over again."

Stahn: "But that doesn't give anyone the right to destroy the world! If the world has problems, we just have to fix them."

Ilene: "You think you could do that by yourselves?"

Stahn: "I'm not saying WE can fix them by ourselves alone! Everyone in the world must work together!!"

Ilene: "That's too idealistic. It's impossible!"

Stahn: "Ilene, you're obviously concerned about the state of the world. If everyone cares as much as you do, we can change the world!"

Ilene: "Impossible!"

Stahn: "Why are you so negative? We'll never know unless we try."

Ilene: "....."

Stahn: "Don't you think so?"

Ilene: "...Perhaps... ..Perhaps, you're right."

Stahn: "Then..."

Ilene: "But Stahn, you're so naive. You're so pure and optimistic. Yes, if the people on the surface are as pure as you are, there's still hope for this world. But that's far from reality. Do you still believe that the world can change for the better?"

Stahn: "I believe in people...I believe that everybody wants to make this world a better place! Don't you agree, Ilene?"

Ilene: "Stahn... You must disable the Mirror Shield in order to reach Hugo."

Stahn: "Ilene!"

Ilene: "The most advanced technologies from the ancient world are kept here. You may even be able to repair your Swordians with it..."

Garr: "Can Igtenos be revived?"

Ilene: "Perhaps..."

Rutee: "Why are you telling us this?"

Ilene: "I don't know... But I know now that you'll be able to create a new world in a different way than Hugo. I just know it..."

{Ilene opens a door that leads outside, down to the surface of the world.}

Stahn: "Ilene?"

Ilene: "I didn't want to see you here like this. Goodbye, Stahn."

{Ilene goes through the door and falls way down.}

Stahn: "Ileeeeeeeene!!!!"

{Stahn tries to follow Ilene, but he is stopped by Rutee and Garr.}

Rutee: "Are you crazy?!! Are you trying to kill yourself!"

Garr: "Stahn, calm down!"

Stahn: "Let go of me!"

{Philia hits the switch that closes the door.}

Stahn: "Ilene!"

Dymlos: "Calm down, you idiot!"

Stahn: "Shut up! How can someone like you who's no longer human understand this?!!!!"

Dymlos: "What did you say?"

Garr: "Stop it, you two!"

Atwight: "Back off, Dymlos, He's not listening to a word you're saying."

Dymlos: "Atwight, I know but..."

Philia: "Stahn, you went too far."

Stahn: "What's your point?!"

Rutee: "I understand your feelings, but you shouldn't say everything that's on your mind."

Clemente: "Stahn...the thing you said about us wasn't fair. We still have emotions...we still feel things... Besides, we didn't choose to be in this form..."

Stahn: "Yeah...I'm sorry, Dymlos."

Dymlos: "I'll let it pass as long as you understand..."

Garr: "Stahn, why don't you rest for a while? We'll try to develop some kind of device to disable the Mirror Shield."

Rutee: "But how do you propose to develop something like that? Atwight, can't you help us?"

Atwight: "No I can't. High-energy physics is Igtenos' field of expertise."

Philia: "Then, what should we do?"

Rutee: "Well, we need to revive Igtenos first, right?"

Garr: "Yes, you're right but... Clemente, is this possible?"

Clemente: "...With facilities like this, I believe we can do the repair work."

Garr: "Really? I'm counting on you, Clemente."

Clemente: "Actually, I'm really an expert in the field of bioengineering. I wonder if a Swordian is a living entity? Well, I guess I'll have to do it somehow. Philia, will you help me?"

Philia: "Yes."

Garr: "Let's go back further in the facility."

Rutee: "Okay."

W/CHELSEA

Garr: "Chelsea, stay here."

Chelsea: "Phoooy!! Why?"

Garr: "I'm worried about Stahn. I don't want him to do anything unwise. This is an important task."

Chelsea: "I understand. You can count on me."

W/MARY

Mary: "I'll stay here. Stahn shouldn't be left alone by himself."

W/KARYL

Karyl: "I'll stay here. Stahn ain't lookin' so hot."

W/BRUISER

Bruiser: "I'll stay here too. I have a feeling I'm going to get bored if I go with you. I just want to fight."

Garr: "Fine, we're going without you."

{Garr, Rutee and Philia goes further to the facility in the back to try and fix Igtenos.}

Garr: "Is this the facility that Ilene was talking about?"

Clemente: "Can you get me near the machine?"

Philia: "Yes."

Clemente: "Place Igtenos in the middle of this machine."

Garr: "Are you sure?"

Clemente: "Trust me. Philia, please go in front of the control board over there."

Philia: "Yes."

{Philia goes to the control board on the lower-right of the room. Garr places Igtenos on the machine.}

Garr: "We are all set here."

Clemente: "Shall we start? Philia, activate the lever in the front."

Philia: "Yes."

{Philia does what she was told and the machine in the middle of the room activates. It generates some kind of bolt that shocks Igtenos.}

Clemente: "This should have done the trick..."

Igtenos: "...What? Where am I?"

Philia: "Igtenos regained consciousness."

Clemente: "How are you feeling?"

Igtenos: "Ah, Clemente, old man, thank you for saving me."

Garr: "I'm glad you're back with us."

Igtenos: "Garr, I'm sorry. I allowed your father, King Sark, to be killed because I was weak."

Garr: "That was inevitable. There was nothing you could have done."

Igtenos: "Yes... It's incredible that a facility like this exists... It means that the Aetherians were close to developing Swordians of their own."

Atwight: "Yeah, you're right."

Clemente: "Now, we need you to do something."

Igtenos: "Yes, what do you want me to do?"

Clemente: "We're going to infiltrate Dycroft soon, but the Mirror Shield is preventing us from going there."

Igtenos: "The Mirror Shield... ..Yes, that would be a problem..."

Clemente: "Can you create some kind of device that will enable us to disable or neutralize the shield? It's something out of my league, so I'm unable to do it."

Igtenos: "Certainly, I'll do my best."

Garr: "Please let us know if there's anything we can do to help."

Igtenos: "Yes, that would be great."

{Rutee goes back to check on Stahn.

Stahn is seated in a corner with Dymlos lying beside him.}

Rutee: "Okay now..."

{Rutee sits down and places Atwight on the ground.}

Stahn: "What do you want?"

Rutee: "Nothing. Those two are working, and I don't have anything to do."

Stahn: "Leave me alone."

Rutee: "Come on, get a grip! We really need you if we're going up against Hugo."

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "We're depending on you!"

Stahn: "....."

Rutee: "What? You don't believe me? Have I ever lied to you?"

Stahn: "Yes, you have."

Rutee: "....."

Dymlos: "Some things are better left unsaid."

Atwight: "You're not helping at all."

Rutee: "Well, forget about what I just said. Will you just cheer up?"

Stahn: "...What do you think about our world?"

Rutee: "What? Are you still thinking about what Ilene said?"

...Well, I don't like it, but I don't hate it either."

Stahn: "What do you mean by that?"

Rutee: "There are some bad people in the world, but there are some good people too. I mean, for crying out loud, you're trying to save the world, aren't you? So, I don't think our world is something you simply throw away."

Stahn: "That's not what I mean..."

Rutee: "Huh?"

Stahn: "I'm not fighting to save the world or anything like that..."

Rutee: "Then, why are you fighting along with all of us?"

Stahn: "I can't explain it well, but I'm fighting to protect the people who are important to me. See, I'm a country boy, so stuff like 'the world' doesn't really concern me. ...I wonder if that's wrong?"

Rutee: "I don't think so. I think I'm on the same boat as you are."

Stahn: "I feel a bit better since you told me that."

Rutee: "Now, that's more like you Stahn Aileron!"

Rutee: "Otherwise, it wouldn't be fun to be around you."

{Philia and Garr enters the room where they are in.}

Garr: "Stahn, the Mirror Shield Atomization Device is ready."

Stahn: "Does this mean we can disable the Mirror Shield with this?"

Garr: "We just have to somehow destroy the Guardian Draconis."

Stahn: "Yes, let's go!"

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#25-To Create a True Utopia-----[d.25]#  
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{Stahn's party warps to Aeropolis Deimos. Once they got through it, they travel to Aeropolis Cloudius.}

~~Cloudius~~

{The party explores the aeropolis until they find Baruk, who's seated on a throne.}

Baruk: "You're here... You're that boy...I haven't seen you since we first met in Cherik..."

Stahn: "Baruk... I thought you were a good person."

Baruk: "Well, I'm sorry... I am what I am."

Stahn: "You deceived us."

Baruk: "'Deceive' is a strong word to use. Despite what you might think, I feel that I have not deceived anyone. I have no hidden agendas. But if you think I deceived you, perhaps you're right. Who knows?"

{Baruk comes down from where he's seated.}

Stahn: "Baruk, I really don't want to fight you."

Baruk: "The same goes for me..."

Stahn: "But we need to go after Hugo. We need to find him."

Baruk: "What are you going to do?"

Stahn: "We're going there to stop him from completing his plans."

Baruk: "No, I won't allow that."

Stahn: "...You're not going to make this easy for us, are you?"

Baruk: "I have no choice. I have my orders..."

Rutee: "So Baruk, is everything you've done up to now a big lie?"

Baruk: "A lie? I've always done what I thought was right. I've always been true to myself...  
...And I will continue to live that way."

Rutee: "Then, what was the purpose of the Fund you created?!  
The Fund you've built for orphaned children...  
And you've sent donations for disaster relief...  
Why did you do these things?!"

Baruk: "I did what I believed was right.  
I believe helping the weak was beneficial to society.  
It made common sense."

Rutee: "Then, what do you think you're doing now?!  
Are you blind? Can't you see what's happening on the surface?!"

Baruk: "The world is suffering from a disease. In order to cure a disease, sometimes it's necessary to take drastic measures. The cure sometimes can be painful."

Rutee: "..... You're dead wrong."

Baruk: "Everyone is entitled to their own ideas. I won't argue with your claims. At the same time, I will hold onto my own beliefs, and will never allow anyone to change them."

Rutee: "I can't forgive..."

Baruk: "I'm sure you're not the only one who feels that way about me."

Rutee: "That's not what I'm talking about... I always thought the world was full of worthless people... Then there was someone like

you... someone who I thought I could respect...  
I can't forgive myself for ever thinking that way about you."

Baruk: "You sound as if you're against everything I stand for.  
Remember, judging people while you're emotional will cause you  
to make serious mistakes."

Rutee: "I just want to prevent any further tragedies."

Baruk: "Tragedies... I have no idea how you grew up...  
...But my life didn't exactly start with the wind in my sails.  
Hardships were a regular part of my life."

Philia: "Baruk...why are you doing these terrible things?  
World peace can be achieved by promoting harmony among people...  
...But what you're attempting to do is completely wrong..."

Baruk: "Terrible things... yes, you are right...  
Until I met master Hugo, I was an outcast from society.  
I've seen things you people wouldn't believe.  
I know that there are unspeakable horrors in this world.  
But I suspect you know nothing about the real world."

Philia: "You're right. Until I left the temple, I knew nothing about  
the world. But as I traveled with these people, I learned and  
understood something. People can achieve great things by  
joining forces with others. People are capable of  
understanding each other and working together towards  
a common goal."

Baruk: "That might be true among individuals, but it's not necessarily  
true if we looked at society as a whole. Look at all the social  
ills that plague this world."

Philia: "But we can't let you do whatever you want. You have no right."

Baruk: "Perhaps you're right..."

Philia: "When I think of what you've done, my heart is filled with  
grief."

Baruk: "It's not constructive to dwell on the past."

Philia: "Can't you hear the cries? Can't you hear the cries of people  
burned out of their homes by your fires...  
...The cries of refugees who can barely feed themselves?"

Baruk: "To live life is to experience pain.  
A quick and painless death would have  
been the appropriate fate for them."

Philia: "How can you say things like that so easily?  
But I can hear your soul speak...  
Your soul is crying out...full of remorse and sadness.  
You must be tormented so much by guilt."

Baruk: "It would be a lie if I said I didn't feel any pain in my heart.  
Even though my reasons were justified, I'll always live with the  
deaths I've caused."

Philia: "It's not too late for you to repent.  
Atamoni will forgive who confess their sins."

Baruk: "Unfortunately, I'm an atheist. I can't apologize to the  
people who died because of me...  
...And I have no intention of asking forgiveness from a  
pointless lie like Atamoni."

Philia: "That's blasphemy! You'll incur Atamoni's wrath!  
People can only find true happiness under divine providence."

Baruk: "Sorry, I'm not a great believer in tired old cliches like that."

Philia: "I'll never give up on you."

Garr: "Baruk, I have heard good things about you."

Baruk: "Unfortunately, in a way, that man no longer exists."

Garr: "You have status and recognition around the world.  
What more do you want?"

Baruk: "What I want is a true utopia."

Garr: "A true utopia?  
Do you believe something like that can truly exist?!"

Baruk: "Well, what do you think, wise King?"

Garr: "It's obvious... There's no such things as a true utopia...  
A true utopia can exist only if people work relentlessly to  
achieve its ideals."

Baruk: "Yes, you are indeed a wise King... You have clarity of  
thought... However ...Although your insight is incisive,  
you still don't understand something important. It is  
impossible for mere mortals to achieve order and perfection."

Garr: "What?!"

Baruk: "Didn't you experience Lydon's rebellion first hand?"

Garr: "....."

Baruk: "It's not just him. His followers like Batista and  
Tiberius as well. There are plenty of fools like that in  
the world."

Garr: "But you saw for yourself that the order established by them  
didn't last for long."

Baruk: "You're absolutely right. In that case, you don't you feel that  
senseless destruction and chaos should be avoided at all costs?  
Every time someone like Lydon appears, many lives are  
sacrificed."

Garr: "Are you trying to say that Hugo's plans are different than  
those of Lydon?"

Baruk: "Master Hugo plans to create a perfect world by harnessing the

Eye of Atamoni's power."

Garr: "You're contradicting yourself!!  
Hugo is a human just like the rest of us!  
You just said yourself that it's impossible for mere mortals to  
achieve order and perfection."

Baruk: "Master Hugo will transform himself into a superior being by  
using the Eye of Atamoni's powers."

Garr: "Don't make me laugh... Is he trying to become a god?"

Baruk: "You may laugh now, but it is the truth."

Garr: "You don't get it, do you?  
Hugo's no different than Lydon!"

Baruk: "How dare you compare master Hugo with an insignificant fool  
like Lydon. Master Hugo's motives are not clouded by his ego  
or any hidden agendas... That is why I have placed my trust  
in master Hugo's vision."

Garr: "How can you be sure of all this?"

Baruk: "I know it in my heart... I've known Hugo for a long time."

Garr: "I don't doubt the trust and understanding that exists between  
you and Hugo... But neither you nor Hugo have the right to make  
decisions that affect the fate of our world. The people of the  
world must agree with your plans before you can realize them."

Baruk: "You're right... But we can do that later, after the fact...  
As a wise king, you must know the old adage,  
'the ends justify the means'."

Garr: "What?! Do you seriously think we will condone all the  
destruction and chaos you've caused on the surface?"

Baruk: "Of course."

Garr: "I can see that this discussion is going nowhere."

Baruk: "Say what you will. I know that what I believe is true.  
I like optimistic people like you... Unfortunately,  
my path in life and goals are somewhat different than  
yours... That... That is the only difference between you and I!  
All this talking isn't going to solve anything.  
We must put an end to this right now!!  
Come on, let's get it over with!"

{The party defeats Baruk.}

Stahn: "Baruk..."

Garr: "Stahn, activate the Guardian Draconis' autodestruct switch."

Stahn: "Yes, I know."

Stahn: "We have to destroy the Guardian Draconis..."

{Stahn proceeds to operate the switch.}

Stahn: "Let's wave goodbye to the Guardian Draconis.  
We'll blow up with its autodestruct."

{Stahn activates the switch. The Guardian Draconis explodes and breaks apart.}

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#####  
#26-Belcrant Battle-----[d.26]#  
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Stahn: "Nothing else stands in our way now!"

Garr: "We must hurry to Belcrant with the Sky Cruiser."

{The party was about to leave the Aeropolis when they hear  
a noise suggesting that Belcrant is going to fire again.}

Rutee: "What, again?!"

Stahn: "No, it can't be!"

{Belcrant fires at the surface once more, sucking more terrain.  
Now the Aethersphere covers almost all of the sky.}

Garr: "There's not a moment to lose..."

Philia: "Our world will be destroyed if this continues..."

Stahn: "No... I'm not giving up!"

Garr: "He's right. We must go to Belcrant on the Sky Cruiser at once!"

Stahn: "Yes, let's hurry!"

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{The party leaves the Aeropolis and heads to the Sky Cruiser.  
Once inside, the party takes their seats.}

Garr: "Activate the Mirror Atomization Device!"

{The Mirror Shield that protects Belcrant is destroyed.}

Stahn: "We did it!"

Garr: "We don't have anymore obstacles left! Let's go, Stahn!"

Stahn: "Yes! Sky Cruiser, ahead, full speed!"

{The Sky Cruiser flies to Aeropolis Belcrant.}

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~~Belcrant~~

Stahn: "Wait, Hugo! We're not going to let you carry out your plans!"

{The party ventures to the top of the Aeropolis.}

Stahn: "Hugo!"

Hugo: "If you followed me here, that means Emilio must have failed me."

Rutee: "You're finished, Hugo! This is the end of the line for you!"

Hugo: "Like father, like daughter...  
Yes, my blood runs in your veins..."

Garr: "You're outnumbered by us. You cannot win.  
Give up now and surrender peacefully."

Hugo: "Surrender? Hah! You'll never defeat me."

Stahn: "Stop deluding yourself!!"

Hugo: "Well, that's where you're wrong.  
My dear Swordians, do you remember this sword?"

{Hugo shows a black sword.}

Berselius: "Greetings, comrades. It's been a long time."

Dymlos: "...You're!"

Clemente: "You can't be!"

Atwight: "That's impossible!"

Igtenos: "You're supposed to be dead..."

Berselius: "Yes, I am supposed to be dead, but as you can see,  
I'm right here before you. Now, how can this be?"

Hugo: "What do you think now? I have in my possession the ultimate  
Swordian from the Aeth'er Wars. Do you think you can still  
defeat me?"

Stahn: "Yes, we will. I promised Ilene. You're not going to win!"

Hugo: "A promise to Ilene, eh? I have a better premonition for you.  
Why don't you join me. We can build a new world together.  
A new world order can be ours."

Garr: "No thanks. I'm not interested in a world created from  
destruction of another."

Rutee: "I agree."

Hugo: "My, my. Your words are like ice daggers stabbing into my  
heart... Your true father is asking your help..."

Rutee: "You...you'll never be a father to me! NEVER!!!"

Hugo: "I'm relieved to hear that. Now, I can send all of you to your  
deaths with a clear conscience."

Stahn: "No way! Not a chance! We're never going to lose!"

Hugo: "Then, try to stop me! The only thing you have to lose are your pathetic lives!!"

{The party fights and defeats Hugo.

Hugo and his swordian, Berselius are down on the floor.}

Dymlos: "You did it, Stahn!"

Stahn: "What do you think now, Hugo?! We kept our promise!"

Garr: "We'll destroy the Aethersphere. This will restore peace back to the world."

Philia: "Your evil ambitions are finished."

Rutee: "You did this yourself!!"

Hugo: "...Rutee... ..My daughter..."

Rutee: "What?!"

Hugo: "I am so sorry..."

Rutee: "What are you talking about?!"

Hugo: "...Berselius enslaved...my mind... and...used me...for his ends... I tried...to fight him... ..I had to...abandon you... because...I wanted to... ..I wanted to protect you from... Berselius...to save you from becoming his slave... ..I am sorry, my daughter..."

Rutee: "Hugo?"

Hugo: "My dear daughter...please... ..Show me your face... ..Just...one...more...time..."

Rutee: "Father?!"

Hugo: "...Please..."

Rutee: "Father!!!"

Garr: "Rutee, wait!"

{Rutee runs to her father.}

Hugo: "...Rutee... ..I...am...truly...sorry..."

{Hugo gets a glimpse of Rutee's face and dies.}

Rutee: "No, please don't die!"

Hugo: "....."

Rutee: "Atwight! Please help me! He's dying..."

Atwight: "It's too late, Rutee."

Rutee: "No! It's not too late! No!!"

Atwight: "I can't revive a dead person."

Rutee: "Atwight..."

Atwight: "Please understand, Rutee..."

Rutee: "No! No!! No!!!"

Stahn: "I'm sure Hugo found happiness in the end because he was able to tell you the truth...as your father... and not as Berselius' slave..."

Rutee: "Stahn..."

??????: "Yes. It is true he found happiness."

Dymlos: "Who is that?!"

Stahn: "Is it Berselius?!"

??????: "No, you're wrong, child."

{Darkness engulfed the party for a short time.  
Light comes back, and a person appears before them.}

??????: "Greetings, my dear Swordians. Have you forgotten about me, the King of the Aetherians?"

Dymlos: "Kronos?! We defeated you!!"

Kronos: "Yes, I died during the Aeth'er Wars. ...But this problem was solved for me by Berselius."

{Kronos teleports to Berselius's location and grabs it.}

Clemente: "Your soul escaped into Berselius!"

Kronos: "Correct."

{Kronos teleports back to his former position.}

Kronos: "Well done, Clemente. After all, you were the most intelligent general of the Er'ther army."

Stahn: "So, you were controlling Hugo!"

Kronos: "Naturally. Like I told you, he was a happy man."

{Kronos laughs.}

Rutee: "I won't forgive you..."

Kronos: "What did you say?"

Rutee: "I'll never forgive you!"

Kronos: "Hold your tongue, little girl! You're trying my patience. You're nothing more than insects to me now."

Stahn: "Insects?!"

Kronos: "Yes! I shall show you first hand! You shall bear witness to my true powers!!"

{Light gathers into Berselius.}

Stahn: "Berselius?!"

Garr: "What the?!"

Kronos: "Behold!! Behold, the power of the Swordian Prime!!"

Clemente: "Swordian Prime?!"

Kronos: "Berselius has evolved. How do you expect to defeat me with the normal Swordians?!"

Stahn: "We never know until we try!"

Kronos: "Then you shall feel its powers through your meaningless deaths. The powers of the Swordian Prime!!"

{Kronos utters a spell and hits the party with fire. The party is down.}

Kronos: "Are you done already? You disappoint me. Where's your fighting spirit?"

Dymlos: "Stahn, come on!"

Stahn: "Ughhh..."

Kronos: "As long as you're here, I shall show you the very moment when the world is swallowed by darkness."

Dymlos: "No, stop it Kronos!"

Kronos: "You Swordians must watch this too. This is the moment of victory for the Aetherians! Fire, Belcrant!"

{Belcrant fires to the ground once more.  
The Aethersphere now covers the world in darkness.}

Kronos: "You're not even worth killing now. Sink deep into the sea with Belcrant!"

Stahn: "Damn it! W, wait..."

Kronos: "Farewell, fools."

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#27-A World of Fear and Darkness-----[d.27]#  
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{Fayte and his men are sailing on their ship.}

Fayte: "Traveling on a ship in darkness isn't the wisest thing to do..."

{A sound of splashing water can be heard.}

Fayte: "What was that?!"

Crewman: "I can't see anything."

Fayte: "Wait! It's a man!"

Crewman: "Where?"

Fayte: "Off the starboard now! Rescue him!"

Crewman: "Aye, sir!"

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{Fayte takes the party in the ship where they can rest.  
Stahn, Rutee, Garr, and Philia are lying on their beds.  
The Swordians are on the table in the middle of the room.}

Dymlos: "...Stahn..."

Stahn: "Oooohh..."

Fayte: "Are you all right?!"

Stahn: "What? Fayte? Why do you ask?"

Fayte: "We saw something fall down from the sky on the way to Seinegald.  
And we found you off adrift on the ocean."

Stahn: "Oh, no! Where is everyone?"

Fayte: "Don't worry. They're all fine. They're just sleeping."

Stahn: "I'm so glad..."

Fayte: "Please rest for a while. This ship is heading for Darilsheid.  
We'll let you know when we arrive."

Stahn: "Thanks..."

Fayte: "I'll see you then."

{Fayte leaves the room.}

Dymlos: "This was completely unexpected."

Stahn: "What should we do now?"

Dymlos: "There is no choice but to go up there once again on the  
anti-grav elevator."

Stahn: "But can we defeat Kronos?"

Dymlos: "...Get some rest for now, Stahn."

Stahn: "Okay..."

{Stahn goes back to sleep.}

Dymlos: "I never imagined that Kronos would come back to life...  
It's time for us to get ready."

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{The ship reaches Darilsheid.}

{Seinegald Castle.}

Stahn: "Although we defeated Hugo, Kronos has been revived."

King of Seinegald: "Who is that?"

Garr: "He's the king of the Aetherians. He was the mastermind behind  
the ancient Aeth'er Wars."

King of Seinegald: "What?!"

Stahn: "We'll go up into the sky again and stop Kronos."

King of Seinegald: "..... That's impossible."

Rutee: "Why? Don't write us off before we even try..."

King of Seinegald: "No, it's not that..."

Ashley: "Radisrol is under enemy control."

Stahn: "What?!"

Dymlos: "What happened to Raiker?"

King of Seinegald: "The anti-grav elevator has stopped working."

Stahn: "Oh, no...We have no contact with Radisrol at all?"

Ashley: "No. The assistant on-board Radisrol managed to escape,  
but he's unconscious and in critical condition..."

{A messenger enters the room.}

Messenger: "Pardon for my intrusion."

King of Seinegald: "What is it?!"

Messenger: "Monsters have begun to descend upon the ground in various  
areas. They're asking for help as soon as possible."

Ashley: "Your majesty!"

King of Seinegald: "Yes, go ahead and help them. All we can do right now is  
protect the cities from these monsters..."

Dryden: "Yes, your majesty. Vims and Melina, go to Armeida.  
Ashley and Leen, go to Cresta.  
Isard and I will protect Harmentz. Lewein, you have Darilsheid."

Lewein: "Leave it to me."

Dryden: "Let's go!"

{The generals leave.}

Garr: "We should get going too.  
We can't abandon the people who have been attacked."

Stahn: "You're right!"

Fayte: "And I will return to Aquaveil. I wish all of you luck."

Stahn: "You too."

Garr: "Thanks for your help."

Fayte: "No, thank you for your help. Now, please excuse me."

{Fayte leaves.}

-General Lewein: "Your grandfather Thomas saved my life.  
I want to tell you about it, but it looks like we don't  
have any time to reminisce about old memories."

-King of Seinegald: "Harmentz, Cresta, and even Armeida have been  
attacked... We really need your help to protect our  
citizens."

Garr: "We must protect everyone in this world.  
We must put aside our petty squabble to achieve this goal."

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{STAHN'S PARTY CAN EITHER GO TO HARMENTZ, CRESTA OR ARMEIDA.}

~~Harmentz~~

{The party goes to Harmentz to help the generals fight the monsters off.  
They killed a bunch of Ogres and encounters Isard and Dryden.}

-Stahn: "Are you all right?"

Dryden: "I never thought I would be saved by you..."

{Ogre reinforcements enter the village.}

Dryden: "Damn it! Reinforcements! We can't allow them to gain ground."

Stahn: "We'll stop them!!"

Dryden: "My prayer are with you."

-Stahn:  
"Are you all right?"

Isard:  
"Thank you for your help. But what brings you here?"

{A new wave of Ogres enter the village.}

Isard: "Damn! A new wave of enemies. We can't allow them to gain ground."

Stahn: "We'll stop them!"

Isard: "I'm counting on you!"

{Stahn defeats all the monsters that attacked Harmentz.}

Stahn: "Whew, I think that was it."

Dryden: "Are you all right?!"

Stahn: "Yes, I'm fine."

Soldier: "General Dryden and Stahn! We finally found you!"

Dryden: "What's wrong?"

Soldier: "The King sent for you. The assistant regained consciousness."

Stahn: "Really?!"

Dryden: "It looks like we need to come up with a new plan...  
I'm going back to the capital. Isard, you take over for me here."

Isard: "Yes sir."

{Dryden and the soldier leaves.}

Isard: "Stahn, all of you should return to the capital too.  
I'll take care of things here."

Stahn: "I understand. We'll go back to Darilsheid."

Isard: "Don't worry about us."

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~~Cresta~~

Rutee: "How is my orphanage? Are the kids all right?"

Stahn: "I'm sure they'll be fine."

Rutee: "I sure hope so...I have a bad feeling."

{The party hurries to the orphanage where an Ogre is bullying a girl.}

Gril: "Get away from me!"

{General Leen comes out from the orphanage.}

Leen: "Watch out!"

{General Leen gets in the way before the Ogre can attack the girl.  
He takes the Ogre's blow. General Leen is down.}

Girl: "Noooooooooo!"

Stahn: "Why you!"

{The party kills the damn Ogre.}

Stahn: "Are you all right?! Come on!"

Ashley: "Leen!"

Leen: "Ashley..."

Rutee: "Let's bring him inside!"

{The party takes Leen inside the orphanage.}

Ashley: "I thought we killed all the monsters...  
I never thought this would happen."

Garr: "It's not your fault. It was an accident."

Ashley: "Yes, but..."

{General Leen is lying on bed.}

Rutee and the girl are standing beside him.}

Girl: "...This happened to him because I went outside..."

Rutee: "No, Charlotte, it's not your fault."

Charlotte: "But...but..."

Rutee: "He's strong and tough.  
This is like getting a scratch for him."

Leen: "Yes, it's something like that..."

Rutee: "Hey! Don't come back to life so quickly! You scared me!"

Leen: "Hey, hey, I'm not dead yet."

Ashley: "Leen, are you all right?"

Leen: "As right as I can be. I'm tough enough to take this.  
I'm fine, so don't worry about me anymore, okay?"

Charlotte: "Really?"

Leen: "Yeah, really. Now, go over there and play with the others."

Charlotte: "Okay...Thank you, mister."

Leen: "Just call me Leen."

Charlotte: "Okay, thanks...Leen."

Leen: "Now, that's better."

{Charlotte leaves.}

Rutee: "Leen, you're such a fool."

Leen: "What are you talking about?"

Rutee: "...You're not being honest.  
I know it because I treated your injuries."

Leen: "Well, well... It's not a fatal injury or anything.  
So please don't say anything in front of her."

Soldier: "General Ashley!"

Ashley: "Report."

Soldier: "The King has sent for you. The assistant has awakened..."

Stahn: "Really?!"

Ashley: "But we can't leave Cresta..."

Leen: "Don't worry about it. I can protect a town or two by myself."

Ashley: "Don't over do it. You're not exactly in good shape."

Leen: "Well, this kind of situation calls for extraordinary measures  
like this. Besides, I want to fight! Or maybe I'm just plain  
crazy..."

{Leen gets up from bed.}

Rutee: "What! What are you doing?!"

Ashley: "Stop it Leen! You should rest and recover!"

Leen: "But you won't go to Darilsheid unless I do something like this.  
Ashley, don't lose sight of the big picture. It's just simple  
logic. I'll protect Cresta. So, then, what should you  
be doing?"

Ashley: "...All right. I get your point. But don't do anything crazy."

Leen: "I already am."

Ashley: "Well, then that's more than enough."

Ashley: "Let's go!"

Soldier: "Yes sir!"

{Ashley leaves with two soldiers.}

Leen: "You should go with him. T he key to saving the world is that  
sword, right? I'll protect these children."

Rutee: "You'd better. Please..."

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~~Armeida~~

Stahn: "It's awfully quiet..."

{An Ogre back attacks the party, but it gets trashed easily.}

Stahn: "I didn't think we'd be attacked by monsters out of the blue like that."

{General Vims and General Melina comes to the party's location.}

Vims: "Damn, they're here again."

Melina: "Are you all right?"

Stahn: "We're fine."

Vims: "These monsters keep coming back no matter how many times we kill them off. There's something strange about this place. We would have died in vain if we kept doing this. So we've decided to give up Armeida."

Stahn: "Give up?"

Melina: "We've made arrangements for all the villagers to take refuge in Darilsheid."

Stahn: "Then, you mean there's no one in this village?"

Melina: "Yes, that's true."

{A soldier comes to the scene.}

Soldier: "General Vims and Melina!"

Vims: "What is it?"

Soldier: "The king calls for you. The scientist has regained consciousness..."

Stahn: "Really?!"

Vims: "I see. This is good timing. We're finished with this place anyway. A long-term assignment here is no longer necessary."

Melina: "You're right."

Vims: "You should go back too. There's nothing you can do here."

Melina: "Let's go."

Vims: "Yes."

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#28-Repairing the Draconis & Upgrading the Swordians-----[d.28]#  
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{The party heads to the War Room in Seinegald Castle.  
Raiker's assistant, Five of the Generals, Supreme General Dryden.  
are present.}

-General Melina: "Does it bother you that I'm a woman?  
It's never bothered me..."

-Reynes: "We must persevere at all costs..."

Stahn: "Are you feeling all better?"

Assistant: "Yeah, thanks to everyone. We don't have much time, so let's start. Please take your seat."

{The party takes their seats on the back row.}

Dryden: "Please start your briefing."

Assistant: "Here's a blueprint of the Multiplexed Lens Cannon.  
This cannon is designed to destroy the Aethersphere."

Lewein: "I don't understand at all.  
What is this Multiplexed Lens Cannon?"

Assistant: "It's a device to focus the energy from multiple Lens and to fire an energy beam. Just before the fall of Radisrol, these blueprints were developed as the Er'thers' last hope."

Ashley: "Can this weapon really destroy the Aethersphere?"

Assistant: "I'll ask our engineer Reynes to report on his findings."

Reynes: "Our calculations show that the destruction of the Aethersphere is possible even at 70% power output of the weapon."

Ashley: "Are there any technical problems?"

Reynes: "Please trust our country's technical expertise.  
We believe it won't take that long for us to build it."

Vims: "That long? That's too vague and unreliable for comfort.  
Give us a specific time frame."

Dryden: "Vims, that's uncalled for. We all know there's not a moment to lose. We should get on with the development.  
We don't have any time to argue."

Vims: "Yes, I know but..."

Dryden: "Time is short. Lewein, I want to entrust you with the Cannon's development. Is this all right with you?"

Lewein: "I'm not really technology-savvy, but is this all right?"

Dryden: "Think of yourself as being a facilitator.  
You're my best logistics man, so this job is perfect for you."

Lewein: "All right. I'll accept."

Dryden: "I ask all of you to support Lewein and to do your best to develop the Multiplexed Lens Cannon. All of you are dismissed! Stahn's group and Reynes, please stay."

{The generals leave.}

Assistant: "We have some other tasks we'd like you to work on."

Stahn: "Like what?"

Assistant: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon won't be able to completely destroy the Aethersphere completely. The battle will never be over unless you go up to Aethersphere and defeat Kronos."

Garr: "So, what do you want us to do?"

Dryden: "Our first priority is to repair the Draconis. We can't do anything until it can fly again. We can reach the Aethersphere with the Draconis since the Aethersphere has been lowered in altitude due to its own weight."

Reynes: "I'll take the lead on this. Please come to me for detailed explanations later."

Assistant: "Our second priority is to upgrade the Swordians."

Rutee: "Is that possible?"

Assistant: "According to Commander Raiker, there is a Swordian research lab somewhere... If we find it, we may find something that will help us with that. I'll find out more about this."

Dryden: "I've already assigned Lewein to watch over the Multiplexed Lens Cannon. Please help us to save the world."

Stahn: "All right, you can count on us."

Dryden: "Yes, we're all depending on you."

-Reynes: "I believe we need a special kind of metal to repair the Draconis."

Dymlos: "Yes, you need the bio-alloy, Belselium."

Reynes: "Unfortunately, we have no idea where we can find it."

Dymlos: "I wouldn't be surprised if there's still some of that alloy left in Calvalesse's Junkland. It makes sense for us to look for it there because that town was built on top of an ancient industrial waste site."

Stahn: "All right. We'll go and find it."

Reynes: "If you find it, please bring it back to the Draconis. The repair crew will be waiting for you. Good luck."

-Assistant: "I hear that there's a place called the Swordian R&D Laboratory somewhere in this world... Ask your Swordian directly about that."

Stahn: "Hey, Dymlos, where is that research facility?"

Dymlos: "The lab was located in the mountains north of Armeida... But you should be able to see it now."

Stahn: "The lab is in plain view since the mountains surrounding the lab were destroyed by Belcrant."

Dymlos: "Exactly."

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~~Junkland, Calvalese~~

{The party goes to Junkland in search of Belselium.  
In the northern part of town, a young man is guarding an entrance to a cave.}

Young Man: "This area is restricted. You'll die from the gas."

Stahn: "But we need to go there! Stand aside!"

Young Man: "Fine, go ahead and die..."

{The young man lets the party enter the cave, so they go in.  
Inside the cave, they found something that looks like  
a silver pyramid on the floor.}

Stahn: "What's this?"

Clemente: "That's it!"

Philia: "That's what?"

Igtenos: "Oh, yes. That's Belselium for sure."

Clemente: "I didn't think we would be able to actually find it."

{Stahn gets the Belselium.}

Stahn: "The Draconis will be able to fly again with this?"

Dymlos: "Yes, indeed."

Stahn: "Okay, let's get back to the Draconis."

Garr: "Let's go back quickly."

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{The party takes the Belselium to the place where the crewmen are fixing the  
Draconis. It's just outside Darilsheid.}

Stahn: "I found the Belselium. Repair Draconis with this."

Crewman: "Yes, sir. In the meantime, please go to the castle and report this to the king."

Stahn: "Sure, fine."

{The Crewman takes the Belselium and goes to work.}

Stahn: "All we need to do is to upgrade our Swordians."

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{The party enters the cave, north of the village of Armeida.}

Stahn: "Is this the Swordian R&D Lab?"

Dymlos: "Yes, it is. We were born here."

Rutee: "But there's nothing here."

Igtenos: "This is the entrance. The actual facility is deep inside."

Philia: "It's very hot in here."

Garr: "We'll have to go inside."

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{Stahn's party gets past the cave and finds the Swordian R&D Lab.}

Stahn: "Where are we?"

Igtenos: "This is the power reactor for the Swordian R&D Lab."

Stahn: "The power reactor?"

Atwight: "This is the super high-temperature reactor that gave birth to the Swordians."

Garr: "So, what do we do now?"

Igtenos: "Put us in the reactor."

Garr: "But are you going to be all right?"

Igtenos: "We'll feel some pain, but we'll survive.  
As long as our Core Crystals are unharmed, we'll be fine."

Dymlos: "Did you say 'some pain'?"

Igtenos: "The world is depending on us. Be strong."

Dymlos: "All right. Let's get it over with."

{The Swordian Masters place their Swordians in the reactor.  
Stahn manages the controls in the terminal.}

Stahn: "Here we go!"

{The reactors start up.}

Dymlos: "Aggggghhhh!"

Clemente: "Ooogggggggg!"

Atwight: "Ayieeeeeeeee!!"

Igtenos: "Ughhh....."

Stahn: "Is there anything wrong?! Are you all right?!"

Igtenos: "Stahn...not yet, ...don't take us out yet!"

Stahn: "Something's wrong! Stop them!"

{The reactor stops. The masters take their Swordians from the reactors.}

Dymlos: "Hey, Igtenos! You said SOME pain?!  
I thought I was going to die!"

Igtenos: "I'm sorry. But if I hadn't said that to you, you would have  
hesitated, right?"

Dymlos: "Damn it, that's why I don't like intellectuals..."

Atwight: "At any rate, I think we met our objectives here."

Clemente: "I feel more powerful than before."

Stahn: "We might be able to go up against Kronos now!"

Dymlos: "No, we WILL defeat Kronos!"

Stahn: "Let's get going then!"

Stahn: "We've done everything we can do. As soon as the Multiplexed  
Lens annon is finished, we can fight Kronos!"

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#29-Energy Crisis, More Lens Please-----[d.29]#  
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{Stahn and the others return to the King of Seinegald to report.}

King of Seinegald: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon will be completed soon.  
We will defeat Kronos or whomever is behind these events."

{Raiker's assistant bolts through the party.}

Assistant: "Your majesty!"

King of Seinegald: "Is it completed?!"

Assistant: "Well...errr..."

King of Seinegald: "What's wrong?"

Assistant: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon itself is almost complete.  
But...we don't have enough Lens for the core."

King of Seinegald: "Not enough Lens?"

Assistant: "Yes, sire. Most of the Lens for public consumption are  
normally used by the Oberon Corporation. However, Hugo took  
most of the Lens with him to the Aeropolis. Because of this,  
we don't have enough energy to destroy the Aethersphere."

King of Seinegald: "Hmrrrrrr...There's no other choice..."

Assistant: "Is there a solution?"

King of Seinegald: "A long, long time ago, King Ravel, our country's founding father, used a special Lens as a symbol in some cities. That Lens had so much energy, the monsters would be warded off by it. I believe the king wanted to protect the cities by placing them there. King Ravel probably never envisioned his Lens being used by our generation... We will have to use these Lens against the Aeropolis. We shall be doomed without them. Go to Armeida, Harmentz, and Cresta to find them. This should solve our Lens shortage problem. Stahn, you must get these Lens. After you get them, give them to Lewein. He is the one in charge of the engineers in the courtyard. You are our last hope. I'm counting on you, Stahn."

Stahn: "Yes, I'll do my best!"

King of Seinegald: "This village chief of Armeida is a refugee in this castle. He should be in a conference room."

Stahn: "I understand. I'll go there."

Stahn: "But I've never heard of these special Lens. Do they really exist?"

Igtenos: "They're probably the Prototype Crystals."

Rutee: "Prototype? What do you mean by that?"

Igtenos: "I told you that our lifeforce is contained within our Core Crystals, haven't I?"

Stahn: "Yes, you have."

Igtenos: "The Prototype Crystal is basically a defective Core Crystal."

Garr: "Defective?"

Igtenos: "They're defective since they're not pure enough to hold a lifeforce energy matrix within its molecular structure. However, its purity and energy levels are much higher than a common Lens."

Clemente: "But I never imagined those things still existed..."

Stahn: "Well, let's go get them. We have no time to chat."

Rutee: "I agree."

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+++ARMEIDA'S PROTOTYPE CRSTAL+++

{The party finds the village chief of Armeida in the War Room.}

Stahn: "Chief, where is the Lens?"

Village Chief: "I'd love to give it to you but..."

Stahn: "What happened?"

Village Chief: "It was stolen by a bandit who hides out in the forests near the Straylize Temple."

Stahn: "A bandit?"

Village Chief: "That's why Armeida was attacked by the monsters. The ability of the Lens to ward off the monsters was no myth. It really worked."

Stahn: "All right, We'll get the stolen Lens back."

Village Chief: "Excellent. We can't help you much but please put our Lens to good use when you find it."

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{The party finds the bandit in the Straylize Forest.}

Bandit: "Hey, what great timing. Fork over all your money!"

Stahn: "You must be the bandit!  
Give me the Lens you've stolen from the village!"

Bandit: "Shut your trap! Hand over everything you got!"

{The party fights an Ogre. Is the thug is actually an Ogre?  
Or does he look like an Ogre? Anyway, the party defeats him.}

Bandit: "W, wait. I'll give the Lens back, (whine) Ju, just please let me go."

Stahn: "Do you swear never to commit crimes again?!"

Bandit: "I swear, I swear!"

Stahn: "Okay, I'll let you go this time.  
But don't let me catch you again!"

Bandit: "Yes, yes!"

{Stahn retrieves Armeida's Prototype Crystal. The bandit runs away.}

Rutee: "You're such a softie, Stahn.  
A thug like that will never go straight."

Stahn: "You have no faith in people."

Rutee: "Faith?! This is female intuition!"

Stahn: "(Female...mumble...grumble...) Female intuition?  
Don't you mean a thief's intuition?"

Rutee: "What did you say?! Anyway, we're finished with this place.  
Let's get moving."

Stahn: "Sure, let's go."

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+++HARMENTZ'S PROTOTYPE CRYSTAL+++

{The party goes to Walt, the fool that Rutee fooled,  
and also the head of Harmentz.}

Walt: "Hah, you want the Lens? Then hand over all your money!"

-> No

Stahn: "All the money that I have? Are you crazy?!"

Walt: "All right, forget that we have had this conversation,  
Get outa here!"

-> Yes

Stahn: "Fine, here's {###} Gald. It's all that I have.  
Are you happy now?"

Walt: "Now, that's more like it."

Stahn: "If it means I can save the world with this, it's a small price  
to pay."

Walt: "Whatever. Here, take it."

{Stahn receives Harmentz's Prototype Crystal.}

Walt: "You've got what you wanted. Now, scram!"

{The party leaves the mansion.}

Walt: "Hey, wait!!"

Stahn: "What is it? We've still got a job to do."

Walt: "You forgot something."

{Stahn gets his money back.}

Stahn: "Walt?"

Walt: "Hey don't get any stupid ideas. I just don't want people to  
give me a bad time later on. I don't people bugging me about  
making you pay for my Lens. Besides, this way, the whole world  
owes me now! Heh, heh, heh..."

Stahn: "Walt..."

Walt: "Well, it's your show now. You'd better not fail,  
or I'm coming after you!!"

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+++CRESTA'S PROTOTYPE CRYSTAL+++

{Stahn and his friends goes to the Mayor's house in Cresta.}

-Mayor's Wife: "I'm ashamed of backing the closure and demolition of the  
orphanage by misusing my political powers. From now on, I'll

think about how we can please all the people here and ways to bring back the blue sky... I'll discuss all of this with my husband."

Mayor: "Our town's Lens? Oh, I'm afraid I can't give that one to you."

Stahn: "We really need it to save the world."

Mayor: "So, it sounds like the world might be saved, but our town will be sacrificed to the monsters. I can't allow something like that to happen to my town, as long as I'm responsible for it."

Stahn: "But..."

Mayor's Wife: "Why don't you give it to them?"

Mayor: "What are you saying?"

Mayor's Wife: "You have every right to say what you just said, but do you want our world to stay like this? Do you want to live in a world where we can't see even the sky? I want to show the children... I want to show them blue skies... Blue skies... Let's cooperate. To bring back our world."

Mayor: "I understand. But to tell you the truth, I don't know the exact location of the Lens. According to the legend, it's supposed to be buried at the base of a tree just outside of town. I believe it's near where the orphanage stands today..."

{The party heads to the tree near the orphanage.  
Stahn digs at the base of the tree.}

Stahn: "Why, this is a..."

{Stahn finds a broken piece of a pot.}

Stahn: "Ugh, it's junk... I wonder if I have to dig deeper?"

{Stahn digs at the base of the tree.}

Stahn: "I can't find it... It's strange...I wonder if this is really the right place?"

{Stahn digs at the base of the tree.}

Stahn: "Why, this is a..."

{Stahn gets a Lens.}

Stahn: "...But this is just a regular Lens. This isn't the one the mayor was talking about."

{Stahn digs at the base of the tree.}

Stahn: "No...I don't see any Lens. Hmmm...I wonder if I have to dig a lot deeper?"

{Stahn digs at the base of the tree.}

Stahn: "I can't find it... The mayor said it was at the base of a tree... This place seems like it should be the right place.

{Stahn enters the orphanage.}

Director of the Orphanage: "A tree? Yes, there was a big tree where the storage shed is now. We cut it down a long time ago..."

{Stahn goes to the storage. And there, he digs.}

Stahn: "What the..."

{Stahn finds Cresta's Prototype Crystal.}

Stahn: "This must be the Lens that the mayor was talking about."

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{With all the 3 Prototype Crystals, the party goes to Lewein.}

Lewein: "Please give me the lens. The Multiplexed Lens Cannon will soon be ready! Please leave the rest to us."

{The party reports to the King.}

King of Seinegald: "Thank you for your hard work. Now we can complete the Multiplexed Lens Cannon. The final adjustments may take a while. Get some rest before the final battle."

Garr: "If there's anything we can do to help, let us know."

King of Seinegald: "You must get some rest. We cannot afford to lose you to sickness. Our country needs you."

Rutee: "Hey, don't tell me what to do! I'll rest when I'm good and ready! Besides, who can rest at a time like this?! I'm not even tired!"

King of Seinegald: "Being short-tempered is a sure sign of fatigue, wouldn't you agree?"

Rutee: "Short-temper...What?!!!"

Garr: "It's a sound argument, Rutee. I think all of us can use a rest. Why don't we follow the king's advice, Rutee?"

Rutee: "Okay, you got me..."

King of Seinegald: "Splendid. As soon as our preparations are ready, I'll send for you. Until then, try to get some rest."

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#30-Night Before the Final Battle-----[d.30]#  
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{That night, Stahn gets up from bed.}

Garr: "What's the matter, can't you sleep?"

Stahn: "I'm really tired, but I can't seem to get to sleep..."

Garr: "I understand what you must feel, but you should try to get some rest."

Stahn: "Yeah, I'll try... How about you. Garr? Aren't you sleeping?"

Garr: "I have many things on my mind."

Stahn: "Like what?"

Garr: "Oh, about the future..."

Stahn: "What?"

Garr: "I wonder if we'll be able to restore peace to this world after all the fighting is done? Belcrant has torn away the surface of the world and sunlight has been taken from us as well. When I start to think about what needs to be done after the fighting is over, my head starts to hurt."

Stahn: "You're right...Even if we win, the world won't return back to normal right away."

Garr: "Yes, that's why we need young people like you to rebuild our world."

Stahn: "I don't think I'm capable of..."

Garr: "You should believe in yourself. Don't underestimate yourself. For example, you're still carrying on even though the odds are against us. You're an optimist. This world needs more people like you."

Stahn: "Garr..."

Garr: "I suppose we should call it a day. We still have a hard road ahead of us."

Stahn: "I...I'm going to step out for a bit..."

Garr: "All right... Don't stay out too late."

Stahn: "Sure."

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{In another room, Rutee is walking back and forth while Philia is seated on a chair and Chelsea is sleeping.}

Philia: "Why don't you relax for a while?"

Rutee: "Philia... What do you think about Stahn?"

Philia: "Why are you asking me that all of a sudden?"

Rutee: "I don't really mean anything by it...  
I'm just curious about what you thought of him."

Philia: "...I think he's wonderful... Yes, he is wonderful."

Rutee: "Wonderful? Where? How? He's just a country boy..."

Philia: "He's so pure and honest..."

Rutee: "When he's focused on something, he forgets about everything else..."

Philia: "He's so earnest and hard-working..."

Rutee: "He tries to take responsibility for everything..."

Philia: "He has a strong sense of duty..."

Rutee: "...Why is it that everything you say about him is so nice?"

Philia: "Rutee, you think about him only in negative terms."

Rutee: "That, that's not true."

Philia: "Rutee, why do you think people can't be more honest?"

Rutee: "I dunno. Beats me."

Philia: "Life would be so much easier if everyone was honest with themselves..."

Rutee: "...So, you want to say I'm not being honest with myself, right?"

Philia: "Only you will know that for sure."

Rutee: "Oh, leave me alone, will you?"

Philia: "Sure..."

Rutee: "I'm going out."

Philia: "Okay."

{Rutee leaves the room.}

Clemente: "How can you say those things?"

Philia: "What do you mean by that?"

Clemente: "Come now, you're no better than her."

Philia: "I, I don't know what you're talking about..."

{Someone knocks.}

Philia: "Yes?"

Stahn: "Can I come in?"

Philia: "Stahn? Why, certainly."

Stahn: "Chelsea is sleeping like a rock."

Philia: "Yes, she seems to be very tired."

Stahn: "I bet..."

Philia: "So, what brings you here?"

Stahn: "Well, nothing really. I just couldn't sleep.  
I wanted to see how everyone was doing."

Philia: "I see."

Stahn: "Hmmm? Where's Rutee?"

Philia: "She went outside."

Stahn: "Outside? Where?"

Philia: "I don't know. I think she went outside to think for a while."

Stahn: "I'd better go find her. She's probably up to no good if she's  
by herself. Well, I'm going to find her now."

{Stahn leaves.}

Clemente: "You're not being honest."

Philia: "This is the way it should be."

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{Stahn finds Mary looking out the window, near the stairs.}

Stahn: "Mary? What's the matter?"

Mary: "I can't sleep. You too, Stahn?"

Stahn: "Yup. By the way have you seen Rutee around here?"

Mary: "Rutee? I thought I saw her pass by a little while ago."

Stahn: "Okay. Thanks for the tip. I'll see you later."

{Stahn walks upstairs.}

Mary: "Now, this is interesting..."

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{Along the way, Stahn finds Karyl playing some tunes.}

Stahn: "Karyl? What's going on?"

Karyl: "Yo, Stahn. I didn't want to bug anyone, so I'm doing a  
mini-concert here. So what's up? Do you want to hear some  
tunes?"

Stahn: "Um, not exactly. Have you seen Rutee?"

Karyl: "Yeah, sure did."

Stahn: "Really?"

Karyl: "Yup. Ya know, I asked her if she wanted to hear a song, and she ran out of here."

Stahn: "Where did she go?"

Karyl: "She headed toward the east wing."

Stahn: "Gotcha. Thanks, see ya."

{Stahn goes ahead.}

Karyl: "This blue light doesn't go well with a night like this."

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{Moving on, Stahn finds Khang surrounded by women.}

Stahn: "K, Khang!?"

Khang: "Whaddaya want? You got something to say to me?"

Stahn: "Not exactly..."

Khang: "Hey, will you get a clue and figure out what you want before you bug me?! Here's a word of advice, bubba. Have a clear goal in life, or you're gonna die! My goal in life? Women! I want to be loved and adored by women! That's my goal in life!"

Stahn: "Err, okaaaaaaaaay...(I think)..."

Khang: "Hey!! You'd better not die!"

Stahn: "Huh?"

Khang: "Whaddaya mean 'Huh?!'!!! I haven't finished my fight with you yet! You're mine!! You'd better not die! Got it?!"

Stahn: "Khang..."

Khang: "That's all I've gotta say to you. See ya."

{Khang gets on with his business, and Stahn goes his way.}

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{Stahn finds Rutee at Bebe's Tavern.  
He sits next to her...}

Stahn: "I've finally found you."

Rutee: "What do you want? Let me guess, you can't sleep either?"

Stahn: "Kinda..."

Rutee: "There's nothing we can do about it. In fact, if you can

sleep at a time like this, there's something wrong with you."

Stahn: (Chelsea...) "This is it...We can't lose..."

Rutee: "You're right..."

Stahn: "What's wrong?"

Rutee: "I was thinking about all the things that happened.  
About my past, the orphanage, my father, brother..."

Stahn: "Rutee..."

Rutee: "I'm sorry. I guess it's not the right time to get sentimental yet..."

Stahn: "You know, I'm a pretty good listener, so I'll listen to you if you want."

Rutee: "Your words are more than enough. There's really no use staying up all night to talk about this stuff. We still have a very important job to do."

Stahn: "Yeah."

Rutee: "Let's go back."

Rutee: {to bartender} "Thanks."

Owner: "Sure thing, no problem."

Rutee: "Then, good night."

Stahn: "Yeah, good night."

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Dymlos: "Our time has come."

Atwight: "This is our destiny."

Igtenos: "We lost Berselius during the Aeth'er Wars."

Clemente: "And Chaltier is no longer with us..."

Dymlos: "There are only four of us left now."

Atwight: "Will we achieve victory with our powers?"

Igtenos: "We have to believe."

Clemente: "We have to believe in the masters each of us has chosen."

Dymlos: "In order to stop the Eye of Atamoni..."

Atwight: "... there is no other choice."

Igtenos: "We must take responsibility for the legacy of our past."

Clemente: "Even if it means our existence."

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{The next morning, Velvet Garden Inn, East Wing.}

Rutee: "Looks like everyone's here."

Garr: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon should be operational now.  
Let's go to the castle courtyard."

Stahn: "Yes, let's go!"  
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{The party heads to the castle courtyard.

In there, Lewein, Ashley, Vims, Melina, the Assistant and the  
Seinegaldian Soldiers gather before the Multiplexed Lens Cannon.}

Assistant: "Multiplexed Lens Cannon, standing by."

Soldier: "Wait a moment. The anti-grav elevator is functioning again."

Assistant: "That can't be right. Commander Raiker is supposed to be  
non-operational!"

{A nervous soldier enters the scene.}

Soldier: "Good grief! Monsters have suddenly appeared and are attacking  
the... t...town...!"

Ashley: "Vims and Melina, let's go! We can't allow the enemy  
come near the castle!"

Vims: "Agreed!"

Melina: "Yes!"

{Vims and Melina leave.}

Ashley: "Lewein, you're in charge."

Lewein: "Understood..."

Ashley: "All nonessential personnel, engage the enemy and defend our  
position! Protect the Multiplexed Lens Cannon!"

Stahn: "Take us with you!"

Ashley: "No, please stay here. We can't abandon this area since we  
don't know where the enemy is coming from."

Stahn: "I understand."

Ashley: "I'm counting on you."

Assistant: "Multiplexed Lens Cannon, prepare to fire."

Soldier: "Multiplexed Lens Cannon, charging energy."

Assistant: "Enable the Lens Multiplexor circuit."

{The generator starts making some noise.}

Soldier: "Generator shows an increase in energy.  
Energy charge completed. The Multiplexed Lens Cannon is ready  
to fire."

Assistant: "Multiplexed Lens Cannon, 10 seconds to fire.  
All crew on safety protocol!  
9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, fire!"

{The Multiplexed Lens Cannon does not fire.}

Stahn: "No, this can't be..."

Assistant: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon... doesn't work?!"

Soldier: "The energy was absorbed."

Assistant: "What's going on? Wasn't there enough energy output from the  
cannon? No, that can't be..."

Igtenos: "The cannon should have worked!"

Garr: "Then what went wrong?"

Soldier: "The anti-grav elevator is operational again!  
The second wave of monsters are coming!"

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{In Darilsheid Square, The three generals are surrounded  
with dead bodies of Ogres.}

Vims: "Whew, almost done..."

Ashley: "Some of them went toward the castle. Let's go after them!"

Vims: "What?!"

Melina: "Are they still coming down?!"

{More monsters appear from the anti-grav elevator.}

Ashley: "Damn it! There's no end in sight!"

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{In the castle courtyard...}

Raiker: "My dear Swordians and masters."

Stahn: "Raiker!"

Raiker: "You can't destroy the Aethersphere with the Multiplexed Lens  
Cannon."

Rutee: "What's going on?"

Raiker: "I've finally identified the nature of the blue hemisphere."

Dymlos: "What is it?"

Raiker: "The sphere is a dynamic energy absorption field."

Igtenos: "What...?!"

Stahn: "Energy ab...abso...?"

Atwight: "In layman's terms, it's a field that absorbs any energy."

Raiker: "They are trying to create a new utopia, a new world order, on the Aethersphere. And the energy necessary to sustain this new utopia is absorbed by a field that covers the surface of the Aethersphere. In fact, it is basically draining the lifeforce out of this planet."

Stahn: "What?!"

Raiker: "If this energy absorption continues, smaller lifeforms will eventually die off one by one... ..And eventually your lifeforce will be drained as well, and you will all perish."

Philia: "This is terrible..."

Raiker: "The destructive energy fired from the Multiplexed Lens Cannon was completely absorbed by the energy absorption field."

Garr: "It seems that there is nothing we can do."

Raiker: "No, we still have a way. We must target an area where the field does not exist."

Rutee: "Where would that be?"

Raiker: "Stahn, you must target me!"

Stahn: "What?"

Raiker: "The absorption field only covers the Aethersphere. Shoot Radisrol with maximum energy output from the cannon. This is the only way for you to open a path into the heavens!"

Clemente: "Do you realize what you're saying?!"

Dymlos: "Do you want to die, Raiker?!"

Atwight: "Raiker, please, stop!"

Raiker: "I don't wish for the people of this planet to perish. I'm sure you feel the same way..."

Igtenos: "Commander..."

Raiker: "What are all of you doing? Stahn, we don't have time!"

Stahn: "....."

Raiker: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "Prepare the Multiplexed Lens Cannon!"

Rutee: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "How high can you increase the power?"

Assistant: "If we disable the limiter, we can increase energy output to 120%. But there's the possibility of an explosion..."

Stahn: "We'll take our chances. We have no other choice. Please do it."

Assistant: "Very well. Prepare to fire!"

Soldier: "Understood. Ready to fire!"

Assistant: "Engage the Lens Multiplexor. Disable the limiter!"

{The generator activates.}

Assistant: "The internal energy reading of the generator is rapidly increasing! The energy level is at 120%! The Multiplexed Lens Cannon is ready to fire!"

Stahn: "Lock on target. Our target is Radisrol."

Raiker: "Well done."

Stahn: "The Multiplexed Lens Cannon, 10 seconds to firing! All personnel observe safety protocols!"

Raiker: "Good, that's it."

Stahn: "9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3..."

Raiker: "What happened?!"

Stahn: "....."

Raiker: "Fire, Stahn!"

Stahn: "....."

Raiker: "FIRE!!!"

Stahn:  
".....FIRE!"

{The cannon fires with Radisrol as its target, making a hole in the Aethersphere.}

Stahn: "Raiker..."

Dymlos: "This is the chance the Commander has given us in exchange for his life."

Clemente: "We must bring all of this to an end now!"

Stahn: "Yeah! I won't be defeated! We're going to Dycroft!"

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Gourmet Dishes--[s.05]#  
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+++Ultimate Sea Food Dish: The Sea's Bounty+++

{Without the necessary ingredients...}

Sheeden Family's Executive Chef: "Any fish can be cut in half with a single stoke of my knife. In order to make the ultimate seafood dish, 'The Sea's Bounty', you need fresh fish from around the world. You not only need Sea Bream and Tuna, but also 8 different kinds of fresh fish... And vegetables and fruits to make the sauce."

{With the necessary ingredients...}

Sheeden Family's Executive Chef: "Any fish can be cut in half with a single stoke of my knife. It looks like you have all the necessary ingredients. Do you want to make the ultimate seafood dish, 'The Sea's Bounty'?"

Sheeden Family's Executive Chef: "Okay, consider it done!! just wait here."

{The chef prepares the dish.}

Sheeden Family's Executive Chef: "Witness the secret Sheeden knife technique!! Invisible Blade!!!"

Sheeden Family's Executive Chef: "It's done!! Take it!"

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+++Greatest Dessert in the World: Queen's Delight+++

{Without the necessary ingredients...}

Confectioner: "I'm the best confectioner in the world. In order to make the greatest dessert, the Queen's Delight, you'll need all kinds of fruits from the world. Not only fruits like apples and melons, but you also need 12 different kinds of fruit from the world."

{With the necessary ingredients...}

Confectioner: "I'm the best confectioner in the world. Looks like you have all the ingredients I need. Do you want me to make the greatest dessert in the world, the Queen's Delight?"

Confectioner: "Faaaaaaaabulous. Consider it done. You just hang tight for a while."

{The Confectioner makes the dessert.}

Philia: "I like sweets, so I make them often myself."

Stahn: "Oh, yeah? Do you make stuff like the Queen's Delight?"

Philia: "Yes. I have a name for my own specialty.  
Philia's Special Fruit Parfait with Chocolate Covered Banana  
Yum-Yum. ...that's its name."

Confectioner: "Maaaaaahhhhhhhvelous. It's ready, and it's soooo bee-u-tee-ful!  
Come, come, take it."

Philia: "It's certainly looks delicious!"

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+++Spicy Prawns+++

{Without the necessary ingredients...}

Rosy Cheek Chef: "I'm a chef from an eeeeeashtern couuntry far, far away.  
Spicy Prawns is a dish from my hometown. In order to make  
Spicy Prawns, you must have the finest Prawns."

{With the necessary ingredients...}

Rosy Cheek Chef: "I'm a chef from an eeeeeashtern couuntry far, far away.  
Do you have all the ingredients? Spicy Prawns  
...Do you want me to cook it for you?"

Rosy Cheek Chef: "Okay, leave it to me!! Jusht wait a moment, no?"

Rosy Cheek Chef: "I'll show you how a reeeeeel professional cooks in the  
keeeetchen. Okay, it's almosht ready.  
Okay, it's ready! Take it."

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+++Beast Meat Supreme+++

Mary: "Stahn, do you want to try some of my homemade dishes?  
Do you want me to make Beast Meat Supreme for you?"

Stahn: "Yes."

Mary: "Great!! I'll try to make the best one ever for you!!  
Wait until it's done."

Stahn: "Sure."

{Mary starts cooking.}

Mary: "This is the important part."

{Mary seems to be fired up in cooking the dish.  
Stahn backs down.}

Mary: "It's done! Here it is! Let's eat before it gets cold!  
Mmmm...it's nice and hot..."

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Lilith and the Blue Dragon--[s.06]#  
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{Stahn visits his house in Lienea.}

Lilith: "Stahn, welcome home!!"

Stahn: "Hi, Lilith."

Lilith: "You're finally home."

Stahn: "Hey, Lilith, I picked up this big EGG... Can you cook it?"

Lilith: "What? You're gonna eat it? That sounds kinda wasteful."

Stahn: "Do you think so?"

Lilith: "Besides, I've never cooked an egg as big as this EGG in my whole life..."

Stahn: "I wonder what we should do with it then...?"

Lilith: "It won't fit in the pot or the frying pan 'cause it's so big."

Stahn: "What can we do? ..... Okay, then let's do this."

{Stahn puts the egg in the fireplace.}

Lilith: "Hey, Stahn! What are you doing?!"

{Lilith pushes Stahn out of the way  
and gets the egg from the fireplace.}

Stahn: "Then, do you have any bright ideas?"

Lilith: "..... Stahn, will you give this EGG to me?"

Stahn: "Yeah, sure...but what are you gonna do with it?"

Lilith: "I'm gonna raise it."

Stahn: "Raise it? It's an EGG!"

Lilith: "Of course, I know."

Stahn: "You'll need to keep it warm."

Lilith: "Yup, I'll keep it warm. I'll sleep with it at night."

Stahn: "But...what about during the day?"

Lilith: "I'll keep it in front of the fireplace, silly."

Stahn: "..... What are you gonna do if a monster hatches from that thing?"

Lilith: "I think it'll be fine, Stahn. I bet it's gonna like us."

Stahn: "You bet...? It'll probably like you for dinner!"

Lilith: "Hey, Stahn, can I, huh?"

Stahn: "....."

Stahn: "Well, no!!"

Lilith: "Why can't I?"

Stahn: "Cause I said so."

Lilith: "You're avoiding the question! Tell me why!"

Stahn: "It's dangerous to hatch an EGG without knowing what it is!"

Lilith: "Oooooooh, okay, that's why... But it's not dangerous to eat an EGG, if you don't know what it is, right?"

Stahn: "Errrrr..."

Lilith: "Oh, please...This means so much to me...  
I'll never ask you for anything again in my life!"

Stahn: (Oh boy, here's her ultimate weapon, 'I'll never ask...again...'  
Why is it that when she says this, it's always something that's a royal pain in the butt?)

Lilith: "Stahn, pleeeeeeease. Let me raise it, okay?"

Stahn: (Also, she has perfect timing when she uses this technique...)

Lilith: "Stahn, hey, Stahn."

Stahn: "Okay, okay ...you win! Do what you like..."

Lilith: "Wahooo!! Thanks, Stahn..."

Stahn: "Well..."

Lilith: "I'll be totally responsible for raising it.  
So, please come homesometime."

-Lilith: "Hoppy, our rabbit, is gonna keep the 'EGG' warm for us, so  
it'll be okay. I hope it'll hatch soon..."

-Some Kind of Egg: "I am egg..."

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{Time passed.

One day, Stahn comes back home to his dear sister.}

Lilith: "Stahn, welcome home! Hey, Stahn, look! The EGG is about to hatch!"

Stahn: "Really?"

Lilith: "Yeah, it's wiggling. See? There, it moved again."

{The egg cracks and a baby blue dragon comes out of it.}

Lilith: "Wheeeeeee! It's soooooooooo adorable!"

Baby Blue Dragon: "Stahn..."

Baby Blue Dragon: "...Lilith... Food...foooooood... ...Give me some food..."

Stahn: "It...s, spoke..."

Lilith: "Wow! It's so smart!"

Baby Blue Dragon: "Food...foooooood... ...Give me some food..."

Lilith: "Oops, sorry. Hmmmmmm...what can I give you...?"

{Lilith gets something.}

Stahn: "What's your name, little guy?"

Baby Blue Dragon: "Gourmet...Gourmet..."

Stahn: "Ah, you're Gourmet. Wait just a sec.  
Lilith, do we have some food?"

{As Stahn calls Lilith the Blue Dragon wanders off.}

Lilith: "Wait a minute, okay?"

Lilith: "Stahn, where's the baby?"

Stahn: "Huh? Hey, where did it go?"

{Stahn looks around.}

Stahn: "..... It looks like it disappeared."

Lilith: "Stahn!!"

Stahn: "Yes..."

Lilith: "....."

Stahn: "I...I'll go look for it."

{Stahn goes out the house and finds the baby dragon just outside,  
following Stahn wherever he goes.}

Gourmet: "Feed me, feeeeeeeeed me."

{Stahn gives it a Gourmet Dish.}

Gourmet: "More food, moooooooooore food."

{Stahn gives it another Gourmet Dish.}

Gourmet: "Give me, giiiiiiiiiiiiive me."

{Stahn gives it another Gourmet Dish.}

Gourmet: "More, more, more, moooooooooore."

{Stahn gives it the last Gourmet Dish. It grows into an Adult Dragon.}

Adult Blue Dragon: "Here, take this."

{Stahn gets the Aura Disc "Blue Dragon".}

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Golden Voice--[s.07]#  
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{The party goes to Karyl's house in Sheeden.  
There, Karyl meets his friend, Sakuraba.}

Karyl: "Hey Sakuraba, long time no see."

Sakuraba: "Karyl, I hear that you hardly ever come back home."

Karyl: "Well, you know me, I'm not the type to settle down."

Stahn: "Do you know each other?"

Karyl: "Well, we play music together every once in a while.  
He's a musician too, but he can play music much better than me."

Karyl: "Hey, in honor of our mini-reunion, can you play us some tunes?"

Sakuraba: "Sure thing, buddy."

{Sakuraba plays some tunes on a piano.}

Karyl: "Hey, hey, you've gotten better again, haven't you? Man, you've  
inspired me. Hey man, check my tune out. Check it out!"

{Karyl sings OOOH...}

Karyl: "...Oh, you didn't like it? Dang. Then, how about this one?"

{Karyl sings OOOHOOHOo...}

Karyl: "...What? This one's no good too? Well then, check this out!"

{Karyl sings WOOOOAO...}

Karyl: "Hey, how about that one! Are you impressed?!  
All right, this is it!"

{Karyl finishes writing Score G.}

Karyl: "...Yo, Sakuraba. I'm gonna continue my journey for a while,  
but you're more than welcome to hang around here.  
Besides, my piano should be played sometimes."

Sakuraba: "Yeah, that would be cool."

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Sacred Skills--[s.08]#  
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#### Spin Flare

Q: A red meteor shall split into two and descend upon the ground.  
What is its name?

A: Fireball

Q: A bright red sword tears the sky in an infinite spiral.  
What is its name?

A: Spin Slash

A flame that spans the skies, like a phoenix in flight...

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#### Fiery Wave

Q: Beyond the wall of flames is the feast of death. What is its name?

A: Fire Wall

Q: The breath of the demon blows across the ground like a missile.  
What is its name?

A: Missile Sword

The rising torrent of flame is truly the demon's breath...

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#### Dragon Toss

Q: Spirits don the dress of fire to dance the waltz of Heaven and Earth.  
What is its name?

A: Fire Storm

Q: Thrice shall the mighty warrior strike into his foe... What is its name?

A: Kick Attack

An explosion with a dragon's might shall repeat...

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#### Flame Vortex

Q: Those who are enchanted by the blossoms of fire shall be burned by  
them. What is its name?

A: Explode

Q: The whirling dervish shall draw the unwary into its whirlwind of death...  
What is its name?

A: Vortex

A symbol of the wanton cyclone of flame is a vortex...

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Hellfire

Q: A crimson cyclone of flame born of the earth shall rise into the skies.  
What is its name?

A: Flare Tornado

Q: The sword shall roar with the force of an untamed beast. What is its name?

A: Force

An explosion that ravages the soul like a scream from the netherworld...

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Assassin

Q: No one has found refuge from the dreaded claws of the dragon.  
What is its name?

A: Dragon Blade

Q: Torrents of rising hellfire like the scorching breath of a demon.  
What is its name?

A: Fiery Wave

The wanton king's mesmerizing sword dance destroys those who are enchanted by it.

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Phoenix

Q: I feel larger for some reason. What is its name?

A: Giant

Q: A flame that spans the skies, like a phoenix in flight...  
What is its name?

A: Spin Flare

A phoenix only appears before those who possess great powers.

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#SIDEQUEST#####  
#Programmers' House--[s.09]#  
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Karell: "Her husband should be allowed to live so they can live happily together. ...Or did you kill him by any chance?"

Well, if that's the case, I guess it's too late."

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Soleli: "Did you get the mystical item that summons...  
You know, it summons that thing..."

-> 1. Yes

Soleli: "Hey, that's great."

-> 2. No

Soleli: "The harbor is far away..."

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Boyn: "Despite its appearance, a Piyo Bird is a ferocious monster.  
By the way, you shouldn't just move the boxes in the warehouses  
around harbors. You need to listen to them too."

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Nahatom: "You shouldn't repay someone's kindness with hostility.  
If you steal from someone who saved your life, it will come back  
to haunt you later on."

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Gadius: "Do you think Radisrol is cool? There are three hidden places  
like this one. Though I'm sure you've found them already by  
now."

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Baloo: "Hi there. Did you find everything?  
By the way, how's the tricycle?"

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Cronoa: "Wahoo! Do you want some advice?"

-> Yes

Cronoa: "Sneaking around someone else's house is dangerous to your  
health. 4 out of 5 doctors recommend against it."

-> No

Cronoa: "...I'm bored."

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Moomoo: "If you can't figure out what's going on in the warehouse,  
use a Lantern. But if you do that, it's gonna be too late  
for the boy to receive the wave."

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Moframe: "I love the ocean. Whatever happens, you must save your game"

on the final Save Point. I ain't sayin' there's a boss after that, but you know, there'll be STUFF after that...  
You know what I mean?"

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Hyupo: "At night, a fairy does my work for me.  
By the way, did you go buy the Sunfish?"

-> 1. Yes

Hyupo: "You're strange."

-> 2. No

Hyupo: "Heh, that's unfortunate."

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Solarei: "I don't like a person who goes north when he's told to go south.  
You know, sometimes it's good to do what you're told."

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Myu: "Wheeeeeeee! Is my Mary happy? Well, at any rate, go to Cyril!"

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Seadof: "Hey, you. Have you climbed that tower yet?  
You should've been there by now."

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Burny: "Even if you're tired of fighting at the arena, try winning  
at least 5 times. It might be worth your while."

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Moobal: "Here's your thought for the day! You shouldn't waste food,  
whatever it may be! Even if it's a little spoiled, eat it!"

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Glybz: "I love music... By the way, I heard there's a woman in Lienea  
who's the best farmer in the world. She can grow anything."

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Zyppo: "If you understand how to get around the tower, you should try  
to find out what happened in the original. I don't think you'll  
be able to figure out that way, but I think you might be able  
to get to the end."

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Lefise: "Isn't Pooky cute? It's always more interesting to add someone  
to your party other than a Swordian Master.  
Like that certain someone..."

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Longo Rango: "If there are any typos and grammatical errors, it's my fault.  
Sorry!! By the way, how's that Channeling thing workin?  
Is it sending out those positive waves?"

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Jokah: "Did you get all three rods? Out of the three, one has be  
changed from something else. What should you do?  
A bottle has something to do with it."

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#31-Path into the Heavens-----[d.31]#  
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{Stahn's party boards the Draconis.}

Crewman: "Do you want to go to Dycroft?"

Stahn: "Yes, please."

Crewman: "Okay, let's go!"

{The Draconis flies through the Aethersphere and to Dycroft.  
In there, they step on a magic circle that sends them to a prison area.}

{Stahn and Mary are teleported in a single cell.}

Mary: "Stahn, are you all right?"

Stahn: "Yeah, I'm fine... Hey, where is everyone?"

Mary: "I don't see them... They might have been teleported somewhere  
else..."

Stahn: "Don't you feel a bit lonely now?"

Mary: "Oh?"

Stahn: "Aren't you worried?"

Mary: "No, because they're a lot tougher than I am."

Stahn: "You're tough too, Mary."

Mary: "Am I, really?"

Stahn: "Yeah, I think you are."

Mary: "...Really? .....Then, let's try to find them."

Stahn: "Yes, let's."

{Stahn and Mary find out that their cell is not locked, so they leave  
They save the rest of the crew.}

-Garr: "I owe you one."

-Rutee: "Saved!"

-Philia: "Thank you for saving me."

-Khang: "This is embarrassing..."

-Karyl: "Hey, thanks man!"

-Chelsea: "ooooooh, I'm so grateful!"

{They return above and step on the magic circle again. This time they have 4 Fragments they found.}

{The four fragments become the Derris Emblem.}

{The party goes on and reaches an area filled with crystals. There is a writing on a wall nearby.}

[writings]: "The door shall open to those who learn the secrets of the crystals."

{They enter a room, with a big hexagon on the floor center. Stahn checks the writings on the wall. There are 7 colored letters here.}

Stahn: "Do they mean something?"

{Stahn steps on the hexagon and gets teleported somewhere.}

Stahn: "...Where am I? Hey, Rutee... No...Everyone else is gone!"

Dymlos: "It looks like we've been separated."

Stahn: "Well, we have to find them..."

Dymlos: "Yes, you're right."

{Stahn moves along into a room.}

Stahn: "Can anyone hear me?"

{Back in the room with 7 colored letters on the wall, Stahn's friends can hear his call.}

Garr: "Ah, you're okay."

Philia: "I'm so glad!"

Rutee: "Hey, Stahn! Where are you?!"

Stahn: "I'm trapped in an area surrounded by crystals."

Garr: "Can you get out?"

Stahn: "I don't know how to get out yet. Have you been able to find out anything?"

Garr: "No, nothing yet..."

Rutee: "Hey, maybe this has something to do with it."

Stahn: "What is it?!"

Rutee: "There are some letters on the wall. It reads, 'WUESEWN.'"

Stahn: "What? Can you repeat it again?"

Rutee: "'WUESEWN.' Did you get it?"

Stahn: "Yeah, I got it, but what does it mean?"

Rutee: "Beats me, I don't know."

Stahn: "Hey, come on! I need all the help I can get!!"

Garr: "But Stahn, we can't find any obvious mechanism or something like that to free you."

Philia: "Haven't you seen anything in your area?"

Stahn: "Anything, eh? Well...I'll look for something, whatever it may be."

Garr: "Good luck."

Philia: "Please be careful..."

{Stahn finds some colored crystals. He sets them to point to the direction based on the clue Rutee read earlier.}

{He returns to the room where he was able to communicate with everybody and was able to get teleported back to where the rest is.}

Rutee: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "Hi honey, I'm home."

Rutee: "Hi honey...? You're hopeless..."

Philia: "I'm glad you're safe."

Stahn: "Sorry I got into this mess..."

Garr: "Well, I'm glad you're safe too. But we don't have much time to celebrate our reunion. We're together again. Let's hurry."

Stahn: "Yes."

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{Moving on, the party reaches a room filled with containers, with bodies of people inside it.}

Garr: "...What's this?"

Philia: "Oh no!"

Rutee: "Wha, what the?"

Stahn: "All these people... ...They're dead..."

Clemente: "No, they're not dead."

Stahn: "What?"

Clemente: "They're not dead. They're being revived."

Igtenos: "All the energy that is being drawn from the surface is probably flowing into them."

Garr: "Are you saying that our world is on the verge of annihilation because of this?!"

Rutee: "I don't believe it!"

Dymlos: "Stahn, destroy them!"

Kronos: "Stop!"

{Kronos appears before them.}

Stahn: "Kronos?!"

Kronos: "It won't do you any good to destroy them. Let us settle our conflict in a place that is worthy of our battle. Yes, before the Eye of Atamoni."

Stahn: "Suits me fine!"

Kronos: "Go inside, I will not run or hide."

{Kronos vanishes. The party goes into the room ahead where the Eye of Atamoni lies.}

Stahn: "Where are you, Kronos?!"

Kronos: "Ha, ha, ha, despite your weaknesses and failures, you still managed to come here."

Stahn: "Kronos!"

Rutee: "What do you want? Why are you doing all this?!"

Kronos: "I want to resurrect the Aetherian people. What is a king without his subjects to rule over?"

Philia: "Don't you even care what happens to the people on the surface?!"

Kronos: "In ancient times, the people on the surface started the war against us. They deserve their fate."

Atwight: "But who was responsible for forcing them to fight?!"

Dymlos: "The surface world was almost destroyed by the tyranny of the Aetherians!"

Kronos: "That is only your interpretation of history. I am merely stating a fact."

Igtenos: "Fact? Far from it!! It's something that's purely based on

the Aetherian point of view!"

Clemente: "You ravaged and tore the earth with an inhumane weapon like Belcrant!"

Kronos: "Belcrant was merely our way to retaliate against our attackers. There is not much difference between it and the Swordians that were developed by the Er'thers."

Dymlos: "What?!!!"

Kronos: "Oh, I didn't mean to upset you. After all, you are my honored guests who have traveled far. I have arranged something special for all of you, a special welcome if you will."

Garr: "A special welcome?"

Kronos: "Yes, it's time for a reunion of sorts. Come out!"

Stahn: "What the?!"

Rutee: "Leon!"

Stahn: "You're alive?!"

Leon: "....."

Garr: "What happened to you, Leon?"

Kronos: "Ha, ha, ha, ha... You're wasting your time. He's dead. He's merely a shell of his former self. He has become one of the living dead. He's only a loyal puppet controlled by its owner."

Leon: ".....Kill me..."

Stahn: "Leon?"

Leon: "...Quickly.....Kill me..."

Kronos: "Leon, I command you to destroy these infidels!"

Stahn: "Leon..."

Garr: "Stahn!"

Stahn: "I know, but..."

Garr: "We have to do it, for Leon's sake too!"

{Stahn and the others fight Leon and defeat him.}

Kronos: "Well, well... That was quite entertaining."

Stahn: "You monster!! How can you treat someone's life as if it's some kind of plaything?! You're going to pay for all the pain and suffering you've caused!!"

Kronos: "You still don't understand anything, do you? What can you do to me?"

Rutee: "You're not going to defeat us this time!"

Dymlos: "You no longer have an advantage over us!"

Kronos: "Then, come meet your fate! Death shall be your only salvation from my powers!!"

{Stahn's party battles Kronos and defeats him.}

Kronos: "How amusing. Your pathetic antics are entertaining enough. Now, we will end the battle that we began 1000 years ago!"

Stahn: "The, the Eye of Atamoni!"

Rutee: "There's something wrong with it!!"

Igtenos: "The energy from the Eye of Atamoni is flowing into Kronos."

Clemente: "Is he out of his mind?"

Kronos: "Heh, heh, heh, heh... My powers...my powers are growing!!  
Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha, ha! this world belongs to me!  
Die you, scum!!"

{Kronos transforms into a huge mass of flesh known as Ultra Kronos.  
After a hard fought battle, the party defeats him.}

Kronos: "This...this is...impossible!!!  
...Uggh...I...won't...die...like this.....  
.....alone...  
...I'll take...all of you.....with me...  
Agggggggghh!!"

{The place starts shaking.}

Stahn: "What's all this shaking?"

Dymlos: "Is Dycroft falling?!"

{The Aethersphere starts crumbling. Debris are falling down to Harmentz, Neuestadt, Darilsheid...everywhere on the surface.  
The people are in panic. There's chaos everywhere.}

Philia: "What should we do?!"

Stahn: "Damn it! The surface will be destroyed..."

Dymlos: "...Destroy the Aethersphere!"

Stahn: "Dymlos! How?!"

Atwight: "Drive us into the Eye of Atamoni."

Stahn: "What?"

Igtenos: "The Lens material of our Core Crystal is the same type as that of the Eye of Atamoni. We can make the Core Crystal vibrate at the resonant frequency of the Eye of Atamoni. This will create a destructive shockwave and start a chain reaction...  
...and it will spread to the Aethersphere and destroy it!"

Stahn: "Wait! If your Core Crystal are destroyed, won't you also be..."

Clemente: "...Yes, it'll be our last farewell..."

Stahn: "No! We can't do that! We've sacrificed too much already!  
There...there must be another way!"

Dymlos: "Hurry up! We have no time! Do you want to be destroyed?!"

Stahn: "But..."

Igtenos: "We were supposed to die when our alter egos...  
our masters, died."

Clemente: "You see, so we have no regrets."

Atwight: "I'll be honored to give my life to save your world."

Stahn: "But there has to be another way..."

Dymlos: "It's all right, Stahn. We've lived too long already."

Stahn: "Everyone... I'm so sorry..."

{The Swordian masters gather before the Eye of Atamoni  
and raise their Swordians.}

Garr: "Thank you for serving the Kelvin family for generations.  
I don't know how to thank you, Igtenos."

Igtenos: "Your kind words are more than I can ask for."

Garr: "Farewell, Igtenos!"

{Garr drives Igtenos into the Eye of Atamoni.}

Philia: "Clemente...thank you for everything.  
You gave me the strength to continue my journey.  
I am truly grateful."

Clemente: "Well...I've enjoyed spending my time with you.  
I think we can call it an even trade."

Philia: "Yes..."

Clemente: "You'll be all right. You're a strong girl.  
...Take care of yourself."

Philia: "Farewell, Clemente."

{Philia drives Clemente into the Eye of Atamoni.}

Rutee: "Atwight..."

Atwight: "You don't have to say anything. I know how you feel..."

Rutee: "I'm not gonna say goodbye!"

Atwight: "I thought you'd say something like that."

But I think I've fulfilled my promise to your mother."

Rutee: "Your promise to my mother?"

Atwight: "Yes. I promised her I'd protect you...  
...that's all Chris Katreia ever wanted.  
And now, we're running out of time.  
Goodbye, Rutee!"

Rutee: "Thank you, Atwight..."

Atwight: "Yes, that's more I like it. You should live honestly and be true to yourself and others."

{Rutee drives Atwight into the Eye of Atamoni.}

Stahn: "Dymlos..."

Dymlos: "I want to say one final word to you.  
I lied to you. You were not chosen."

Stahn: ".....!"

Dymlos: "In the beginning, people were blessed with the power to truly understand one another. However, this power was lost by the time of the Aeth'er Wars. But you found that quality within yourself even before you met me. It was very unusual to find someone like you, but your abilities are not extraordinary. This is because this power, this ability, lies dormant within everyone."

Stahn: "Is that all? Hey, don't worry, it doesn't bother me at all."

Dymlos: "...Ilene said that if everyone in the world could be like you, the world would change for the better. I agree with her. I think I can leave the world in your care. We'll protect the world for the present. But you must decide the future of your world by yourselves. Make this world a better place. I know you can do it!"

Stahn: "Yes, I promise."

Dymlos: "So long, Stahn!"

{Stahn drives Dymlos into the Eye of Atamoni.}

Clemente: "What are all of you doing?! Don't just stand there!!"

Igtenos: "We're not going to last very long!"

Atwight: "Don't waste this chance we're giving you!"

Dymlos: "Run!!!"

Stahn: "I'm sorry, everyone!"

{The party rushes to exit Dycroft while the Swordians are in the process of vibrating their Core Crystals at the resonant frequency of the Eye of Atamoni.}

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{The reaches the Draconis, where Stahn stops, crying.}

Stahn: "%\$#@! Damn it!"

Garr: "Stahn!"

Rutee: "Stahn..."

Stahn: "%\$#@#!!"

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{Back in the room where the Swordians are...}

Dymlos: "Stahn..."

Atwight: "Let's hurry. We don't have time."

Clemente: "Maybe we were lucky. I was lost in despair after losing my original master. But I am happy I was blessed with a good master in the end."

Dymlos: "We can't let them die."

Igtenos: "Yes. We must pay for the legacy of our past with our lives."

Atwight: "Let's get it over with, Clemente."

Clemente: "Yes...this is the end for us..."

{The Swordians created a shockwave.

It destroyed the Aethersphere, sending its rocks to outer space.}

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~~Lienea, Fitzgald~~

Lilith: "Stahn, wake up! Stahn!"

Stahn: "Zzzzzz"

Lilith: \*hits Stahn\* "Wake up already! Hey!!! Get up, get up!"

{Stahn falls from his bed.}

Stahn: "What are you doing?!"

Lilith: "It's your fault because you won't get up!  
Hey, Stahn, do you remember what day it is?"

Stahn: "Wh, what?"

Lilith: "Come on, go outside!"

Stahn: "Wait a minute. What IS today?"

Lilith: "You'll know if you go outside."

{Stahn goes out.}

Stahn: "Hey, everyone! Why are you here?"

Philia: "Stahn, you're the one who said 'let's get together in a year.'"

Chelsea: "Yeah."

Stahn: "Err...Now that you mentioned it..."

Garr: "You haven't forgotten, have you?"

Stahn: "Um, well, not exactly..."

Mary: \*laughs\* "You're still the same."

Karyl: "Who cares? doesn't bother me."

Khang: "Stahn, we meet again! To fight!!!  
I'm going to pummel you to a pulp!!  
There can be only one!!"

Chelsea: "No, no, down boy!! What are you doing?  
Don't spoil our reunion!"

Khang: "Shaddap!! Shut your mouth, kid!"

Chelsea: "I'm not a kid!"

Stahn: "That reminds me..."

Garr: "What is it?"

Stahn: "Where's Rutee?"

Garr: "Oh, her..."

Stahn: "Is she all right?!"

Garr: "Well, I'm not supposed to say anything...but..."

{Rutee attacks Stahn from inside his house. Stahn screams in pain.}

Rutee: "Surprise!!!"

Stahn: "Whoa, hey!!!! Where did you come from?!!!"

Rutee: "Stahn! What's the matter? Have you become a softy living  
out here in the country?"

Stahn: "Back off! And why do you keep saying Lienea is 'country'?!!

Rutee: "Well, just as it is. Other places are rebuilding and  
modernizing, but look at Lienea..."

Karyl: "Well, does it really matter? There are good things about  
being here in the sticks."

Stahn: "Karyl, you're not helping."  
Garr: "The world is just beginning to rebuild. But the real work lies ahead of us now."  
Chelsea: "A journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step!"  
Garr: "I couldn't have said it better. We must carry on and rebuild this world... for the sake of those who sacrificed themselves..."  
Philia: "We have a lot to talk about, but..."  
Rutee: "Yeah...but when we start talking, we always end up talking about them."  
Stahn: "Dymlos and the others saved our world... We have to... No, everyone in the world has to make this place better. Anyway, why don't you come inside?"

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Long ago, a star fell upon these great lands...

...Sowing the seeds that gave birth to the Aeth'er Wars....

...And eternity later, the world entered another age of chaos and destruction...

...Evil cast its shadow upon the people to strike fear and despair into their hearts...

...The last flickering light of hope became an unexpected miracle...

...A miracle that brought light back into this darkened world...

...However, only a chosen few know of the Swordians, the sentient swords that saved this world...

...Then I shall be the keeper and teller of this Tale to those who are willing to listen...

...Until Destiny's wheel turns once again...

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