



Name: Michael "Mike" Anthony

Age: 17

Gender: Male

Animal: Lion

Family: Brother. Sister. Mom.

Crush: Charlotte

Crushes On Him: Gwen

Personality

Argumentative (Without a doubt, Michael loves to argue. It could be about food that doesn't go well with salad or certain football teams that could win. In the end, he always wins. However, as being argumentative, there is a downfall. You are looked upon as cynical and untrustful, and without a doubt stupid.), Arrogant (egotistic. He likes to show off his talents to the main girls (which growl at him or walk away, leaving him more of a chance of showing off. He wants to be the best leader of the whole crew but others think lowly of him.), Prudent (Even though he thinks of himself as arrogant or argumentative, he is caring for those he is close with. Michael thinks of the future sometimes as to where he is going and what will happen; mostly his friends want to throw him outside in the rain.), and Reasonable (While being argumentative, he is very reasonable. When he tries to argue- not about silly things- he tends to lead a reasonable path of understanding, not jumbling his words up or making a false claim that would make some people go "mhhh".) The strongest out of his friends, Michael can pull a dead weight for anyone. As a lion- being named "King of the Jungle"- are the symbol of courage and strength; Michael has immense courage when trying to hide himself. Ancient Egyptians venerated lions as their war deities due to their strength, power and fierceness. Out of the many animals that Michael could have chosen, the lion is his favorite since for their fierceness (as being able to overcome the unknown), power (controlling those who he wants to control), and strength (as I said before, the lion is the strongest of the few animals his friends are). Just as flu season is coming around, disease is his main weakness. Also most of his friends are his enemies (even though the lion has few enemies). He is a straight A student (so his parents think as he had hacked into the school's network and changed his grades to all A's), once tried out for football and broke his nose since one of the players throw the football fast and far (that wasn't caught well enough) and broke his nose, and has broken his fingers, twice and on both hands.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen has the hugest crush on him. She often doodles hearts around his name in her notebooks. She's oblivious to his debating and arguing nature due to being heads over heels in love with him.

Riley West: Riley finds him kind of annoying, but tolerable. She can hang out with him for awhile but eventually finds some excuse to go do something else.

Emma Tanner: Mike and Ashton have been friends since Emma's family moved here 3 years ago. She sees Mike a lot, but doesn't really like him. He purposely ignores her, and she knows it. The one time he did talk to her was to argue about something stupid she doesn't really remember. All she knows is she doesn't like him, and she hides in her room whenever he comes over.

Layla Woods: Layla has seen Mike around as they are in several classes together. They've even been partnered up on a couple projects. She thinks he seems nice enough but feels indifferent towards him. She finds his arguments amusing and when she eavesdrops, often feels she could pose much better points than him and win most arguments against him, but she doesn't care much for drama and never gets into it, keeping to herself. In a group outing, she could see herself chatting with him, but friendship seems unlikely due to their polar-opposite personalities.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver tends to ignore Mike when he's in a debating or argumentative mood. He really doesn't like loud noises or confrontation, and arguing tends to get pretty loud in his experience. Usually, if Mike isn't in such a mood, Oliver will enthusiastically share some space facts. So long as Mike doesn't ask for any crackers too soon, this acquaintanceship might grow into a decent friendship.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan shares Spanish class with him and works with him on a few projects, but finds him quite argumentative and a little annoying. Also jealous and a little resentful of him because Gwen likes him. Not that he'd ever admit it. tends to try and avoid Mike.

Charlotte Penn: Charlotte has noticed that many of her classmates aren't a fan of Mike's argumentative nature. He's brash and egotistic, but gosh darn it, Charlotte can't help but blush when he sweetly opens the door for her or when he defends her opinions with his own authoritative voice. He's just so gentlemanly! One time the power went out in the science classroom during a thunderstorm and Mike huddled next to her, whispering encouraging words. She'd like to be with someone courageous who can be the "extrovert" for her, anyway, even though Mike's love for arguing is nothing short of tedious.

Jinx Gray: Jinx is kinda sorta friends with the kid, but on occasion Mike will try to argue, and that irritates the hell out of him. He doesn't appreciate arrogant people, but he tries to ignore that and possibly practice some social skills. Sometimes he enjoys himself with Mike, and feels like if he tries hard enough, they could become closer. Still, he's not all that good at it, and he knows that Mike isn't always sure how to approach him. Jinx does like the guy's earring, though. That's cool.

Neon Kingsley: Neon wants to match Michael's academic prowess, if not his physical skill. He enjoys any victories he can achieve over the lion. He considers him his main rival. (Playable for laughs, because he's just going to get blown off.)



Name: Layla Woods

Age: 16

Gender: Female

Animal: Cape Fox

Family: Little Brother. Mom. Dad.

Crush: Oliver

Crushes On Her: N/A

Personality

She prefers to keep to herself and may seem a little cold, but is nice when you get to know her and is more sensitive than many realize. Introvert. Mature for her age. Often takes matters into her own hands to the point where she might come off as a little bossy. Is hesitant to help others but usually ends up going out of her way for them. Is smart and good at keeping her cool. You'll often find her listening to music and doodling in her notebook. She's an exceptional artist and she expresses herself through drawings. Is a Leader and takes initiative when no one else does mostly out of annoyance. She doesn't Stress-Out easily. Tough and doesn't take crap from anyone. Keeps everything to herself until it starts to weigh on her. Can't handle when someone is getting hurt. Easily closes herself off to the world and others. Wants to become a Biologist, but her true passion is art. Enjoys jogging and kickboxing.

What Others Think Of Her:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen finds her cold and mean and tends to avoid her.

Riley West: Doesn't know her too well, but sees her around in class.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: He finds Layla shy and away. He wants to know about her, get closer with her throughout the year. They never talk but he wishes they would.

Emma "Em" Tanner: She doesn't really know Layla all that much. They are both introverted, and into different things so fate doesn't really bring them together that often. She is honestly intimidated by her.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver has very little idea as to who Layla is. He barely remembers her being his partner for a project a while ago, but he can't remember a thing about her. He's seen her around and caught her staring at him from afar a few times, but he's not sure how to introduce himself. After all, he isn't the best at making friends.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan and Layla often have long and complicated discussions on the similarity between their fields, Biology and Zoology, which only they and Charlotte are able to keep up with. she also stood up to a bully for him once. While this led to more bullying, he appreciated the gesture. He wouldn't necessarily consider her a friend, but he thinks of her as an all round nice person. Which is the complete opposite of what his friend, Gwen thinks of her. Gwen can't understand why Dan likes talking to Layla, but Dan does it anyway.

Charlotte Penn: Charlotte and Layla seemed to have a lot in common, particularly the introvert-ness, so naturally one day Charlotte wandered over and asked Layla where on earth she got that dinosaur eraser. ("A question is a good way to start a conversation" should be Charlotte's motto.) Soon after, they became fast friends. Charlotte highly admires Layla's drawing skills (and might be a tad jealous), and is forever grateful that now, thanks to Layla, she knows how to draw a suitable tree and a dog face. She thinks Layla should give professional drawing lessons.

Jinx Gray: Jinx admires Layla's art from afar, but never tells her. He has secret art passions and sort of wishes that he could be as good as her. He doesn't talk to her much but recognizes that they have quite a bit in common. Maybe he'll talk to her sometime.

Neon Kingsley: Layla seems to be someone who just blows his ambitions off and ignores him. That irks him a bit, seeing as he's put some quality thought into his lines. "I'll seize the strings of this puppet show!" Seriously, that's villainous gold.



Name: Emma "Em" Tanner

Age: 15

Gender: Female

Animal: Barn Owl

Family: Older Brother. Mom. Dad.

Crush: Ryker

Crushes On Her: Daniel & Oliver

Personality

Emma is a social introvert. She can talk to other people, but it makes her go out of her comfort zone. She is a major book nerd. Smart. Kind. Sort of hot headed if you mess with her. Music nerd. Smart. Fluent on the piano. Lets emotions overpower her judgement at times. Socially awkward. Quiet. She is fifteen, but she takes classes a year ahead of her grade.

What Others Think Of Her:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen and Em are inseparable best friends. They've been friends for the past 3 years. They hang out all the time.

Riley West: You already know they're best friends, more information as we continue to plan...

Under debate weather Em is a part of Stint With Fiction or not. we'll tell you what we decide.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Her brother is close friends with Mike and ignores Emma all together. Whenever Emma tries to talk to Michael, he pushes her off.

Layla Woods: Considering Layla and Emma are both introverts who rarely go out of their way to make new connections, they haven't spoken much. Layla thinks she seems cool and like they might have a lot in common if they ever get the chance to hang out. She thinks Emma seems sweet and notices her awkwardness.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver sees Emma at lunch every day, and occasionally other places, but he's never introduced himself and tries to keep away from her. Why? Because that's what his awkward, shy brain tells him to do when he has a crush. He's found himself daydreaming about Emma rather than space and alternate universes and all his usual thoughts more recently and he's very confused as to what to do about it. He really doesn't want to come off as creepy or anything, so when he catches himself gazing at her, he quickly buries his face in a book, or finds his watch incredibly interesting. Oliver's definition of creepy is a bit odd. He hopes it isn't creepy to say that he finds Emma really cute.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan has a crush on Emma. He enjoys tutoring her, and conversing with her. But he would never admit his crush unless it was coaxed out of him. He thinks she's super cute. at current, he considers her a friend.

Charlotte Penn: Charlotte knows Emma through Gwen, but they aren't terribly close. When she heard that Oliver likes her, she rather timidly performed a "mental evaluation" of her, making conversation with her, understanding her personality, and getting a gauge on her academic prowess. Check, check, check; Oliver approved.

Jinx Gray: Jinx is jealous that Emma skipped a grade, when he is behind one. It makes him feel inferior, even though she's never acted badly towards him. It's irrational, but he still feels a twinge of resentment towards her. They don't talk much.

Neon Kingsley: Neon enjoys her company, but can't interact directly. Therefore, he takes every opportunity to show off. Reading Romeo and Juliet in both voices was a lot of fun, actually.



Name: Gwen Sanders

Age: 16

Gender: Female

Animal: Timber Wolf

Family: Little Brother. Dad. Grandma.

Crush: Michael

Crushes On Her: Daniel

Personality

Optimistic, quiet, soft spoken, sarcastic at times, curious, sensitive, caring. A little above average smart, has a 6th sense for danger, has some leadership qualities. Easily peer-pressured into things, really sensitive about her mom's death and often has breakdowns over it, hates getting dirty and nature things, soft spokenness makes it hard for her to warn others of danger, she has a fear of heights. Has a fear of dogs/wolves. She is a former award winning dancer. Her mother owned a dance school, Gwen quit dance when her mother passed. She loves all animals except dogs. She is deathly scared of them. She is also vegetarian.

What Others Think Of Her:

Riley West: Riley would love Gwen as much as she does Jinx. She really wants to get to know Gwen especially because she's such good friends with Emma, but she also knows that she might overwhelm Gwen at times so she tries to dial it down around her.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Mike doesn't like talking to Gwen but enjoys her company. Even though she is always right there in his face.

Emma "Em" Tanner: Emma met Gwen 3 years ago about 5 months before Gwen's mom died. Emma and Gwen became neighbors when Emma moved in 3 years ago from her old town. They instantly became really good friends, and Emma was really nervous and excited by the fact that Gwen was so easy to talk to. She wasn't used to people being good. When

Gwen's mom died Emma was really there for her. She would sneak out at 2 in the morning to come over and just talk to Gwen to distract her. That's the kind of thing they did. They were always there for each other. Gwen for the grief. Emma for the bullying at her old school. Besides all that crazy deep stuff they are pretty normal best friends. They bring out the best in each other. Emma pushes Gwen to get back into dance, and Gwen pushes Emma to stop being so scared of everything. Gwen and Emma don't really see each other during school because of schedules, but are always together when they can. It doesn't affect their friendship, but makes it stronger.

Layla Woods: Layla finds Gwen intriguing and wants to learn more about her. Although she's never talked to her much, she likes when Gwen is in her class. She feels like their something about Gwen that she can kind of "click" with. They both have little brothers as their only other siblings, which is something they have in common.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver doesn't know Gwen very well. He's meant to talk to her sometime, but always gets distracted or preoccupied. He'd love to be friends, but that's not likely unless he stops getting distracted.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: One of the only people he can consider a friend. He once asked her out, but she refused on the grounds that it would ruin their friendship. Later, he found out that she had a crush on Mike, and felt like an idiot for asking her out. He felt he couldn't compare to Mike. He still has a crush on her, not that he'd ever admit it. He keeps trying to get her to see that Mike just isn't interested in her, so she can stop uselessly chasing him.

Charlotte Penn: They've known each other for a few years, since before Gwen's mother died. Charlotte stuck by Gwen to give her extra support for a while. They still hang out together from time to time, but not as much as usual. Charlotte still senses the sweetness and sensitiveness in Gwen, and wants her to know that she's always there if she needs a friend. And always there to joke about Gwen's phobia of canines, something Charlotte miraculously doesn't share and finds amusing. It's nice to know someone else who's scared of something.

Jinx Gray: Jinx doesn't talk to her much. He thinks she's kind of pretty though, but just in a sort of admiring way, not a crush.

Neon Kingsley: Neon admires her kindness, but he's a bit disappointed by her lack of confidence. They haven't talked much.



Name: Neon Kingsley

Age: 14

Gender: Male

Animal: Calico Kitten

Family: Mother. Father.

Crush: N/A

Crushes On Him: N/A

Personality

Neon Kingsley is the man who will take over the world. Stop laughing, he's serious! He's the quintessential comedic sociopath, constantly outmaneuvering any who would dare underestimate his extreme power. His insight and wit cover his ultimately alarming goals. Of course, he could play the part of anyone if it suited him. His mind; mainly his cold logic. He doesn't know everything, but is a quick thinker and can easily trick any unassuming passerby. He's frighteningly perceptive, as well, and can change his behavior to accommodate his target perfectly. In a contest of brute strength, he's dead. Also, he tends to be a bit childish when his plans are foiled or ousted. Is actually really shy and easily embarrassed beneath his facade.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Neon tends to concern Gwen. She's not scared of him, but she worries for his mental health. She sees him as pretty harmless.

Riley West: Riley is intrigued by him. She would like to get to know him better but can never seem to get him at the right moment.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Michael hasn't talked to Neon and doesn't plan to.

Emma "Em" Tanner: She has talked to Neon a few times in class, but mainly avoids him. They have English class together. She thinks he is really funny, but kind of scary. (In a good way) He blushes a lot when they talk, but is fiercely confident in class when he raises his hand to read. He puts on a play when he reads. It's cool listening to him. She assumes he is really smart for being in a Sophomore English class considering he is so young.

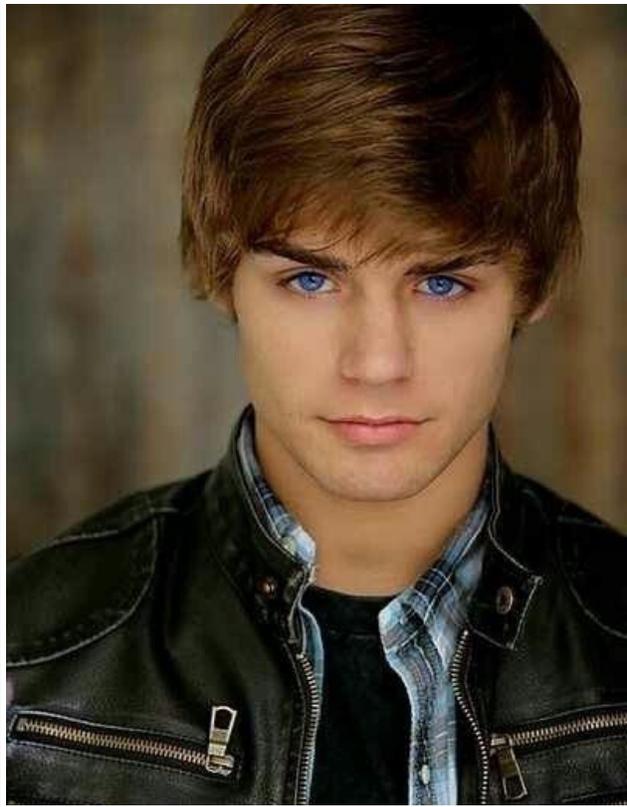
Layla Woods: Layla finds Neon annoying. Kind of like a little brother. Why? It might have to do with how openly arrogant he is. Or maybe the fact that, even though she has decent grades in her classes, he seems to get everything long before she does, like it's just common knowledge, even though he's two years younger than her and technically isn't even supposed to *be* in high school. She mostly ignores him.

Oliver Pascal: Well well well, what a surprise. Someone Oliver doesn't know much about! Who would've thought? Oliver hasn't seen very much of Neon at all, but he's heard of him and thinks this kid's name is awesome. Really, after he hears Neon's name, he just stops paying attention to everything else said and wonders why his parents named him that. Oliver hopes to meet Neon one day.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan thinks Neon is hilarious. His constant joking in class really brightens up his day. Neon has played a couple of tricks on him, but it was all in good humor. Besides that, he doesn't really know Neon much.

Charlotte Penn: The cutest guy in the class, by far. (Dark hair and blue eyes? Best combo ever!) But personality-wise, he seems a bit out of reach to her. He hasn't payed much attention to her, anyway.

Jinx Gray: Honestly, the kid annoys Jinx. He tries to be polite, but that's really not his strong suit. Neon is just too young and energetic for Jinx's tastes, and he can't help but scowl when the guy opens his mouth.



Name: Ashton "Cole" Cole

Age: 17

Gender: Male

Animal: Capuchin Monkey

Family: Mom. Little Sister. Cousin Layla. Cousin Danny. Aunt Jen.

Crush: N/A

Crushes On Him: N/A

Personality

Sarcastic, mischievous jokester, rebellious. He has a slight attitude at times and is easily annoyed. Defensive. A bit of a flirt which usually makes the girls roll their eyes. Funny. Annoying. Usually a man of few words unless he really likes you, in which he may open up. Sly, quick on his feet, sweet talker, slight-of-hand, pickpocket. Easily annoyed and angered. Defensive and not usually good at handling high-stress situations. He lived with his mom and little sister. His dad left when he was twelve. Has a record of shoplifting and trespassing. Ended up in Juvie once got expelled from school which led to him going to live with Layla.

What Others Think Of Him:

N/A



Name: Daniel Alexander "Dan" Torson

Age: 15

Gender: Male

Animal: Martial Eagle

Family: Older Brother. Older Sister. Mom. Dad.

Crush: Emma & Gwen

Crushes On Him: N/A

Personality

Loves animals to the point that he has researched almost everything about a large variety of species, right from their habitats to their diets to the regular components of their feces. Is very intelligent and would be a good leader if placed in such a position, though he would never actually ask for leadership. He also keeps a cool head at all times (he has to with all the insults he suffers) and performs well under pressure. He is also good at making plans fitting each situation. However, he is often bullied for being smart, and has had tricks played on him more than once. This has given him terrible trust issues towards anyone he doesn't know who is nice to him. He also suffers from frequent bouts of depression due to lack of friends and social standing. He is also highly claustrophobic. due to being constantly bullied, he has also learned to be a fast runner. Once you get him talking about animals, he finds it hard to stop. Leadership skills, planning and strategy, intelligence, knowledge of animals and their strengths and limitations, fast on his feet. Claustrophobic. While he is okay talking to a group, gets nervous when talking to people in one on one conversations. Often depressed and physical coward in human form. Dreams of being a zoologist one day. Loves reading fiction as that is the only way he doesn't feel so alone. Writes stories as well to achieve the same effect.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen finds him cute but disgusting. She hates to get dirty and Dan's love of zoology grosses her out. They're very good friends. Gwen is unaware of his struggles with depression but if she did know she would try to help and support him.

as much as possible.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Mike doesn't know or like Daniel. In the hallway, he would look upon him as someone else that is going to class. They have one class, which is Spanish and they work together on projects.

Emma "Em" Tanner: Her and Dan sit next to each other in Biology class. They mainly talk about books that the other is reading. She notices he has a new one every week. Just like her. He also tutors her in Biology because at this point she has a b+, but before Dan it was a solid D-. Science isn't really her thing, but she loves watching Dan talk about it. She finds it fascinating when she discovers peoples passions. He lights up when he talks about animals. She notices his sadness at times, but never mentions it. Not her place to. She doesn't really call herself his friend, but she has no idea what he thinks of her.

Layla Woods: Layla wouldn't necessarily consider Daniel a friend, but she enjoys his company. Considering she wants to be a Biologist and he wants to be a Zoologist, they often get into interesting conversations about the fields at lunch. They both enjoy running and seem to be on a similar level of introvert. Layla has witnessed him being bullied more than once and feels a bit protective of him. She might even stand up to one of his bullies if she sees it happen again.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver doesn't know him at all. He can't even remember what Dan looks like. He slightly remembers something about someone pointing Dan out and calling him the "animal expert", and Oliver isn't a big fan of animals (thanks to his grandpa's dogs) so he keeps his distance.

Charlotte Penn: Charlotte has a lot of respect for Daniel. For being her same age, he's so smart! (She also tends to exclusively call him "Daniel" and not "Dan" for whatever reason.) Their shared interest in zoology has brought them much closer together.

Jinx Gray: Jinx doesn't talk much to Dan. He honestly hasn't given him much thought other than, *Wow, he knows a lot about animals.* Maybe someday they'll talk more.

Neon Kingsley: Neon hasn't really thought much of Daniel, except "this boy would be useful in conquering nature." He tends to ignore him in class, but does appreciate the laughter his jokes receive.



Name: Ryker "Ry" Mauze

Age: 15

Gender: Male

Animal: Panda Bear

Family: Older Brother. Younger Brother. Younger Sister. Mom. Dad.

Crush: N/A

Crushes On Him: Emma

Personality

Ryker is naturally reserved, but anyone who's met him will tell you otherwise. In order to separate him from the others his age, he is rambunctious and outgoing. He has very little self esteem, therefore trying to cover up the fact that he feels left out. Only his close friends know about his issues. Not even his parents have a clue. He's used to fighting his own battles and he'll go to any lengths to hide his personal life from everyone.

Ryker is quick on his feet, although his mind trails behind. He gets outstanding grades in school due to his study habits so everyone sees him as some sort of genius. Common sense isn't exactly a skill that he inherited. He'll jump before he thinks and second guess even the best of options. If you need a quick thinker Ryker isn't your guy. Ryker is very keen on teamwork. Whenever it's needed he'll be the first one to suggest working together. Despite his inner introvert, he's a good communicator He's also a hard worker and resilient. As mentioned, he tends to, most of the time, act before he thinks. Planning and thinking ahead are things that he is not good at. Sometimes he gets carried away with ideas that he has. It can be hard to reel him back in. Everyone calls Ryker Ry, but he still sees himself as a Ryker. He has nothing against the nickname, it just doesn't sound right coming from him.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen isn't particularly friends with him or know much about him. They rarely talk.

Riley West: Hangs out with him a lot, their pretty good buddies.

Michael “Mike” Anthony: Michael and Ryker get along quite well. They work well together on projects; they not close enough friends but Mike wants to know Ryker a little more.

Emma “Em” Tanner: Emma is so awkward around boys (excluding Dan) and this includes Ryker. She doesn't like to admit it, but she kind of has a crush on Ryker. He sits at lunch with her and Riley. That's only cause he and Riley are friends. She mainly stays quiet during lunch reading her books, but she tends to make awkward eye contact the whole time. Both him and Riley make her laugh during lunch. He tries to be friendly and talk to her, but she keeps it to one word answers. If she talks longer she blushes like crazy. She is working on it though. Riley always jokes about it with her. Emma thinks he is clueless, and hopes that he doesn't hate her.

Layla Woods: Layla doesn't know a lot about Ryker, but kind of sees him as the rambunctious class clown, which is both entertaining and annoying at times. She doesn't feel very comfortable around Ryker and while she can read most people well, she can't quite figure him out, which is unsettling to her. She tries to avoid him when she can.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver and Ryker are well on their way to being best friends. They've known each other for two years now, and though it hasn't been that long, they've spent a lot of time together. Oliver knows a bit about Ryker's issues, but he gets the feeling that Ryker isn't telling him everything there is to know. Oliver doesn't press him on it, though. He's glad to have a good friend to hang out with.

Daniel “Dan” Torson: Dan doesn't know Ryker too well. However, he has stopped a bully from giving Dan a swirly once, so Dan feel that he's a nice guy, and owes him.

Charlotte Penn: Ryker seems like a pretty cool guy. He tends to excel in every group project, making sure everyone is doing their part and contributing excellently for the good of the team. Science is the first and only class Charlotte has shared with him, so she really doesn't know much else about him. Sometimes she can read in his eyes that some things aren't quite peaceful in his life, and she has felt the urge to reach out to him.

Jinx Gray: Jinx likes Ryker, and wishes they could talk more. Ryker seems to understand Jinx's quiet tendencies, even though he himself is loud sometimes. Jinx goes to Ry for help with schoolwork sometimes, and hopes that the genius doesn't think he's too stupid. Ryker also doesn't pry into Jinx's home life, and vice versa, so that works well.

Neon Kingsley: Neon largely ignores the other boy. Each to their own, as they say.



Name: Riley West

Age: 15

Gender: Female

Animal: Lynx

Family: Older Sister. Four Younger Siblings. Mom. Dad.

Crush: Oliver

Crushes On Her: N/A

Personality

Riley is a big and out there person with an ambition to become famous. She has plans to go to Julliard for music/voice Riley is also a writer, and doesn't pay much attention to the real world while working on a project. She also get really seriously irritated when she's disturbed while writing, which gets her in trouble with teachers a lot. Riley is more confident than most girls her age and loves being in the limelight. Being part of a big family has made her patient and able to keep level headed when things get stressful, and is able to keep the peace in any sort of argument. Has a minor heart condition (Not fatal) That causes her to faint with exertion. Avid reader as well as a committed writer She has been working writing a novel since her freshmen year. Also the lead singer of her band, Stint With Fiction. Plays piano and writes her own lyrics. Riley is picked on a great deal by bullies.

What Others Think Of Her:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen barely knows her and generally doesn't pay much attention to her. She finds Riley to be overbearing.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: He doesn't know Riley all that much but would like to.

Emma Tanner: Riley and Emma are best friends, but a different spectrum than her and Gwen. Riley is the one person who can get Emma to sort of come out of her shell (Even if it's for a moment) They have music class together, and a few other classes. They are mostly together all the time during school, and after school. Riley and Emma met one day after school this year. Emma was playing the piano, and Riley came in and instantly wanted to be

friends. Emma thinks Riley is super funny, and truly does believe she will be famous someday. Riley wants Emma to go with her, but Emma has stage fright and is very critical of her music. Riley personally loves it. Riley is also Emma's gateway to meeting boys and other people. Riley always makes shell jokes, and Emma has learned to love them secretly even though she acts annoyed.

Layla Woods: Layla thinks Riley seems nice and they've had a couple conversations about music and art over lunch. However, they are only in a couple classes together and don't see each other much.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver's been approached by Riley occasionally before, but she always quickly turns the other way and hurries off. This happening is a bit confusing to Oliver, but he usually just shrugs and returns to whatever he was doing before. Oliver isn't all that interested in knowing Riley, though he knows she and Emma are best friends, or seem to be from his perspective. He's considered addressing Riley the next time she approaches him, and asking if she could introduce him to Emma. Then the shy part of his brain tells him to stop thinking like that and return to his crackers.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan sees him around and shares a couple of classes with him, but doesn't know him that well. Feels mystified when around him, as Dan can't tell what he's thinking.

Charlotte Penn: Riley's confidence is admirable, but a bit too much for Charlotte. If anything, Riley annoys her. They don't have much to talk about if they did talk, anyway - Charlotte doesn't sing (the shower doesn't count) or play a musical instrument, and fame is among the last things on her mind. But Charlotte knows that Riley's probably a very nice girl once you get to know her, and is willing to give her another chance.

Jinx Gray: She seems nice enough, but man, she will not leave Jinx be. Sometimes he is just not in the mood for talking, and she doesn't seem to get that. Sometimes he'll get frustrated and become rude, which he later feels sorry for. He knows it's just her personality and she doesn't mean anything by it, but it bothers him.

Neon Kingsley: Neon considers her his equal in every regard. He enjoys competing against her, and utterly crushing her when he can. Often, he'll go out of his way to playfully antagonize her. When she tries to talk to him casually, however, he'll quickly blush and turn away. It's not his fault she's pretty, right?



Name: Jinx Gray

Age: 17

Gender: Male

Animal: Siberian Tiger

Family: Dad.

Crush: N/A

Crushes on Him: N/A

Personality

Because of his sullen and quiet demeanor, people are often slow to befriend Jinx, and first impressions often deem him as standoffish. In reality, he's very intelligent and loyal, but life seems to rub him the wrong way. He can be easily irritated and has little faith in other people due to past experiences, so it takes time to gain his trust and friendship. Despite his short fuse, he is also quick to apologize and often feels guilt afterwards, though he hides this. He is cool-headed, sometimes cold, in moments of stress. He knows his worth, and doesn't let others walk over him. Jinx is known as someone you don't mess with, but also someone you can't necessarily get close to. Although sometimes people pity him for his lack of friends, he's truly a loner, an independent. At least, that's what he tells himself. Very loyal once you gain his trust, very intelligent, not easily surprised/ caught off guard, cool under pressure, relies on logic. Strong and independent, doesn't lean on others to define his worth or boost his esteem. A realist on the outside, but a hidden dreamer on the inside. Can be resentful and hold grudges, trust is easily broken and not easily repaired. Often regards his own goals as less important, tries to focus on logic and smother the idealistic part of himself. Jinx is pretty much blind in his right eye. He struggles with depth perception and wears contacts every day. As a child, he wore an eye patch to try and correct it, but nothing short of surgery (that his family can't afford) could fix it now. His favorite season is autumn (sweater weather!) and he has a weakness for anything sweet. He likes learning about history and mythology. He writes and doodles in his free time, but he doesn't show them to anyone. His dream would be to be a researcher and illustrator of old religions and practices, but his father wants him to become an engineer or another kind of scientist. Jinx also failed his eighth grade year, so he is slightly older than the other students in his grade. He is self-conscious about this and doesn't like to talk about it. He is smart, but can't bring himself to care about school and physically do the work.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen has seen Jinx around school and barely knows his name. He keeps to himself and she keeps to herself.

Riley West: Riley never leaves him be. He's always a little distant and she's determined to at least get him to talk to her for more than five minutes.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Michael has a iffy friendship with Jinx. At first, he wasn't sure at being friends with Jinx but in math class one day, they started talking and their friendship grown ever since.

Emma Tanner: Emma has never talked to Jinx. A mixture of him being a boy, and quiet. Two things Emma can't work with haha. That's it unless you count the few times she ran into him exiting her history class. It's always a quick sorry, and an awkward rush to get passed him. She feels like she is annoying to him. Maybe she is. She has that class with him, but that's about it.

Layla Woods: To Layla, Jinx seems kind of troubled and mysterious. After all, he's the oldest kid in her class. She knows very little about him. He's that kid in a couple of her classes who sits in the back row and the moment the bell rings, zips out of the room quick and silent. She honestly finds him kind of intimidating and a little scary, so she tries to avoid him as much as she can.

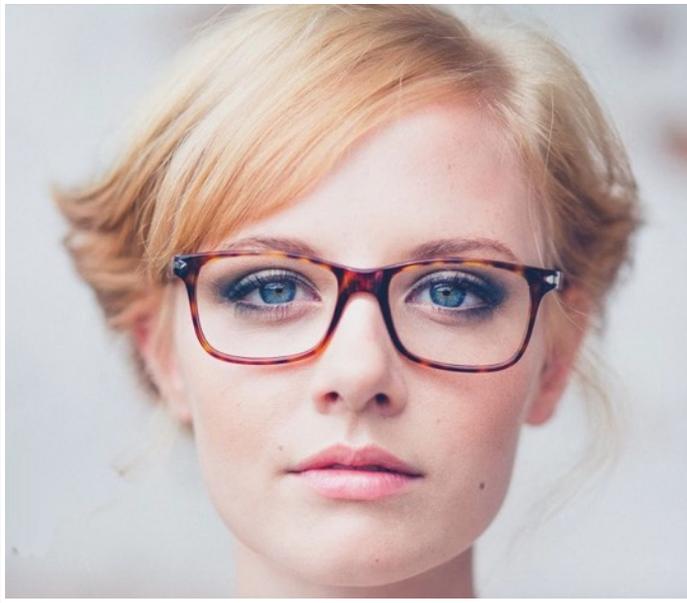
Oliver Pascal: Oliver is intrigued by Jinx. To Oliver, Jinx seems like a cool, mysterious dude. His nose ring is a bit intimidating, and Jinx towers over him, but Oliver still attempts to talk to him. Usually there isn't much of a reply and Oliver just awkwardly walks away, but he's determined to befriend Jinx. Or, at least get more than a few words out of him.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan sees him around and shares a couple of classes with him, but doesn't know him that well. Feels mystified when around him, as Dan can't tell what he's thinking.

Charlotte Penn: Tall. Very, very tall. With those piercing eyes, Jinx was certainly an intimidating figure at first. At *first* - that's the key word. On the very first day of school, Mr. Neil had the two of them sitting together as partners. Charlotte remembered exchanging glances with Oliver, who she knew could read her mind. *Tall guy. Scary guy.* But she was a little ashamed of herself when they started talking with each other and she saw his genuinely kind nature peeking through.

Neon Kingsley: Neon actually fears him a bit. Jinx also seems to get annoyed with him,

which doubles that fear.



Name: Charlotte Penn

Age: 15

Gender: Female

Animal: Thomson's Gazelle

Family: Older Sister. Mom. Dad.

Crush: N/A

Crushes On Her: Michael

Personality

Charlotte is very quiet and shy, but she tends to open up when she sees someone like herself—that is, another shy person—and envelopes them with genuine kindness and warmth. Though seeming a bit introverted at first, those who stick around long enough to acquaint themselves with her will see her inner beauty. Charlotte, along with her shyness, is naturally skittish. Basketballs, frisbees, and footballs (both the American version and the soccer all) and the dark terrify her. She'd rather be running around the track in broad daylight than playing any other sport, so she praised God when PE was over and she could choose her own sports: cross country and track, thank you very much. More than anything, Charlotte is a conscientious student and adores biology. Specifically, she wants to become a zoologist when she's older. hough small, Charlotte is very intelligent. She's good at solving puzzles and using her brain on impulse. Charlotte is small and timid. She especially lacks physical bravado in her human form.

What Others Think Of Her:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen and Charlotte are friends ish and they often hang out in a trio of Em, Charlotte, and Gwen.

Riley West: They don't talk much. The normal chit-chat between acquaintances just about covers it for them.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Mike has the biggest crush on Charlotte. Her attitude to sports and her shyness make him love her more. He wants to get to know Charlotte more than just locket buddies.

Emma "Em" Tanner: She has Biology with Charlotte along with Dan. They are both on opposite sides of her. Charlotte and her don't really talk, but they understand each other. It's mainly friendly hello's and goodbye's. She could see them becoming friends though.

Layla Woods: Layla has probably talked to Charlotte more than anyone else in her class (with the exception of Dan). Charlotte started talking to her one day while she was minding her own business and they sort of clicked. Both introverted. Both on the track team. Charlotte sometimes joins Layla and Dan in their science conversations. Layla thinks Charlotte is kind of adorable in a sweet, quiet, smallish-person kind of way and finds it amusing how skittish she is, since very little fazes Layla. They both kind of pull each other out of their comfort zones in different ways. Layla tries to get Charlotte out of her shy, timid shell while Charlotte gets Layla to open up and participate in school activities.

Oliver Pascal: Oliver and Charlotte have known each other for about three years. The two shared a serious case of introversion and slowly but surely became best friends. They listen to each other's troubles and do their best to help one another out, and Oliver's told Charlotte all about his crush on Emma. Charlotte is the only person besides Ryker who Oliver will share his crackers with, and one of the few people who won't tell him to shut up about space after he's been rambling for a good half hour.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan and Charlotte both want to be zoologists, and they often talk about their common field. In fact, they often have debates on the subject, as their opinions often differ, but on the whole Dan enjoys talking to her, but considers her an acquaintance more than a friend.

Jinx Gray: Jinx likes Charlotte quite a bit. She's kind to him, doesn't pry, and she's pretty. Jinx doesn't do crushes (too much emotional energy) but he admires her. He feels a bit protective of her because he sees himself in her; just like him, she hides her true self behind her quiet demeanor. He'd like to talk to her more. He feels bad that he's so tall and intimidates her, but there's not much he can do about that.

Neon Kingsley: Neon disregards the quiet girl, viewing her as just another face in the crowd of his minions. Honestly, he just gets exasperated with most instances of shyness. They don't talk.



Name: Oliver Pascal

Age: 16

Gender: Male

Animal: Newt

Family: Younger Sister. Mom. Dad. Grandpa.

Crush: Emma

Crushes On Him: Riley & Layla

Personality

Funny, incredibly caring but not the best at showing it (sometimes he doesn't even want to show it), awkward, tends to stumble over words and thoughts, tries to be realistic but tends to stick to his imagination. Can read French, but anything else involving the language (i.e. Speaking, writing, etc.) is beyond him. Is near-sighted but hates to wear his glasses. Oliver harbors a special hatred for math but space and the universe absolutely fascinate him. He's capable of naming just about any star in the sky, if he wants to. He's a bright kid but doesn't tend to do his best in school and prefers wandering around, looking for adventure. Usually he'll spend his time thinking up new, better jokes, pondering life and alternate universes and such things, and eating peanut butter crackers.

What Others Think Of Him:

Gwen Sanders: Gwen finds Oliver to be a good person and amusing. They aren't really friends but they probably would be if they really started talking to each other.

Riley West: The only person she's afraid to talk to. She thinks he's kinda cute and avoids socializing with him in case she says/does anything stupid around him.

Michael "Mike" Anthony: Michael is good friends with Oliver. He enjoys the facts of space (as being uneducated) and enjoys the jokes he makes.

Emma "Em" Tanner: The only information Emma gets about Oliver is through Riley. She kind

of suspects Riley likes him, but who knows. Emma isn't that great at reading peoples thoughts. Especially Riley's. He seems nice though, and she sees him at lunch everyday, but that's about it.

Layla Woods: Layla likes Oliver. A lot. Major crush, although it would probably take a lot of coaxing for her to admit it. Not only does she think he's the cutest boy in her class, but he seems like a really awesome person, too. She didn't really know who he was until they were put as partners on a project back in the fall, and that was her favorite high-school project to date. She finds his awkwardness to be adorable. His glasses are adorable. Heck, even his peanut butte crackers are adorable. She's not one of those teens who's too nervous or shy to tell him she likes him, she's just has a hard time opening up and telling people how she feels and she's been quite happy gazing at him from a far.

Daniel "Dan" Torson: Dan barely knows Oliver. He sees him around class but that's about it. He has also seen him staring at Emma and knows he has a crush on her, and thinks he's blind since while Emma isn't interested in him, Riley blushes whenever he's around and Layla is often looking at him in class. Dan wonders how he can be so oblivious to people who have crushes on him.

Charlotte Penn: Riley's confidence is admirable, but a bit too much for Charlotte. If anything, Riley annoys her. They don't have much to talk about if they did talk, anyway - Charlotte doesn't sing (the shower doesn't count) or play a musical instrument, and fame is among the last things on her mind. But Charlotte knows that Riley's probably a very nice girl once you get to know her, and is willing to give her another chance.

Jinx Gray: Oliver is amusing to Jinx. He likes hearing his jokes in the class and his awkwardness is kind of endearing. He's not sure how much they have in common but he likes how Oliver tries to communicate with him. Still, Jinx is horrible at responding properly and feels like he's probably ruined his chances of friendship with the guy. Oh well. Maybe he'll do better the next time Oliver talks to him?

Neon Kingsley: He might be of some use; maybe as a court jester. Whatever the case, Neon legitimately respects him for his humor. He's also noticed, of course, his entanglement in the love triangles, which he plans on using to have a little fun.