

THE CRYSTALS WITH POWER



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Prologue

In the vast cosmos of space and time, Zeutron was a newly formed planet. The planet was like Earth but a lot more peaceful. The inhabitants were a peace-loving species and never fought amongst themselves.



One day everything changed when the great conqueror Galax came to know about Zeutron. Galax knew that it was an easy planet to conquer as there were no weapons or arms and ammunitions with the inhabitants.

But when Gods in heaven above sensed Galax's intentions, they said "Galax has ruled over many planets and treated them unfairly. He needs to die!" And with that they made *lightsabers* with kyber-crystals inside them. The crystals were Universal, Galactic, Shadow, Luminara and Plasmatic. But unluckily Galax found the Shadow crystal before the gods gave them to Sunehra.



On Earth



“Yes, I have defeated you again! It was a nice try, but you still lost” Dhriti said proudly.

Rudra scoffed and said “Yeah, I only used quarter of my strength”.



Raising her eyebrow Dhriti said “You want to have another football match to prove that you used only quarter of your strength?”

Sumantra watched the two of them bicker for a while and finally intercepted “I think you have bickered enough, and we know that both of you are equally good in football”.



Rudra groaned and Dhriti laughed at seeing her brother in this



angry state. Sumantra looked at his brother and laughed heartily. On their way back home the three siblings were lost in their own world when suddenly the road beneath them gave away and they fell down a deep pit.

They screamed out with fear. At the end of what seemed like an unending fall, the siblings stopped screaming when they saw a faint glow at the end of the cave/tunnel. Rudra and Sumantra and Dhriti were all befuddled as their body felt numb from the fall. Dhriti asked the boys if they had a torchlight with them. Rudra and Sumantra rummaged through their pockets found a brand-new flashlight in Sumantra’s trouser pocket. As the trio reached the far end

of the cave, they saw their mom dressed peculiarly in robes wielding a weapon.

All three of them stared at her dumbfounded and asked “Mom? What are you doing here?”

Sunehra (which is the real name of their mother) smiled and said “I could ask the same to you”.

Dhriti replied to her mother’s question by telling her the full series of events and asked her mom to reply to their question.

Sunehra smiled sweetly and said “Children I need you all to believe me. I am a guardian of Zeutron, and I won’t live very long to protect Zeutron. So now, I am putting the responsibility of guarding Zeutron into your hands.”

Sumantra looked like he had just been stunned, Rudra looked surprised that their mom had given them the job to guard Zeutron and Dhriti looked like she was about to burst with joy.



The Transformation

“Mother tell us what to do and we will do it” said Dhriti. Sunehra told them to extend their hand above the lightsabers. “Lightsabers are special types of swords which are very powerful. The colours of the lightsaber vary according to your soul, whether you are good or bad, brave or scared, loved or feared. When Rudra raised his hand the plasmatic coloured saber came to his hand. When Sumantra raised his hand the universal coloured saber came to his hand and the galaxy coloured saber zapped to Dhriti’s hand. Sunehra was impressed by their lightsabers colours. Sunehra asked them to close their eyes and think about the elements inside their heart.

As they closed their eyes, Rudra immediately felt a hurricane of power gushing through him. When he opened his eyes, he saw himself falling in a pool of plasma with the plasma forming an armor around him. He let himself float in the plasma. He was enjoying the feeling of the plasma hugging him. Soon he was armed with a lightsaber and a tablet.



When Sumantra opened his eyes, he saw himself as one with the universe. He felt peaceful. He felt the universe hugging and if he heard closely, he would hear it whisper about someone named Galax and what he was going to do the universe. Sumantra emerged dressed in a universal coloured armor and an angry expression on his face, and also with a lightsaber and tablet.

Dhriti opened her eyes to a beautiful shade of purple and to feel something nudging her back. When she turned back, she saw a cheetah. She reached out her hand to stop the cheetah and to her surprise the cheetah let her pet it. To Dhriti’s surprise, the cheetah asked Dhriti to sit on the cheetah. After Dhriti sat on the cheetah, the cheetah told Dhriti about Galax and how he took over Zeutron. The cheetah also presented itself as Dhriti’s transport and armed her with a galaxy coloured lightsaber and a tablet.



Dhriti learned that the cheetah was the leader of spirits and it had chosen Dhriti as the worthy one. The wolf spirit and the mountain lion spirit came bounding for Rudra and Sumantra respectively.

The three youngsters seated on their transports were now eager to start training.

Reaching Zeutron

The next day Sunehra took the young warriors to Zeutron for training. The journey to Zeutron was as simple as uttering “Reach Zeutron” five times. Zeutron looked like a war zone, nothing like the green planet that Sunehra had described. The land in Zeutron was perfect for an obstacle course. It had sliding lands, rock hills, rock pillars and rock bars but once Sunehra touched them, they became golden. When the young guardians started using their powers to train and practice, Sunehra looked at all three of them strictly and said “Children you are supposed to do this exercise without your elemental powers. If you depend on your elemental powers, then you can’t beat Galax because he has the shadow saber which is really very strong. Galax knows the martial arts very well. So, you need a mixture of martial arts and elemental power to defeat Galax”. The three children nodded and said in unison “Yes mom we will train harder!” In a few weeks when all three of them were ready, Sunehra told them about Galax, his zombie army and his weak points. She also told them about the beautiful castle where Galax lived and how thousands of zombies guarded it.

The Zombie Army

Once Sunehra had finished telling them everything about Galax and his zombies the children regrouped to chalk out their plan of action. They hid behind the walls of the castles for a few nights to study the movement of the guards and their placements.



“The east wing of the zombie army is the weakest of them all and the west wing is very strong so Galax must be residing in the west wing” Rudra said.

Then Dhriti and Sumantra nodded and said “We have to sneak past the guards in the east wing very carefully”.

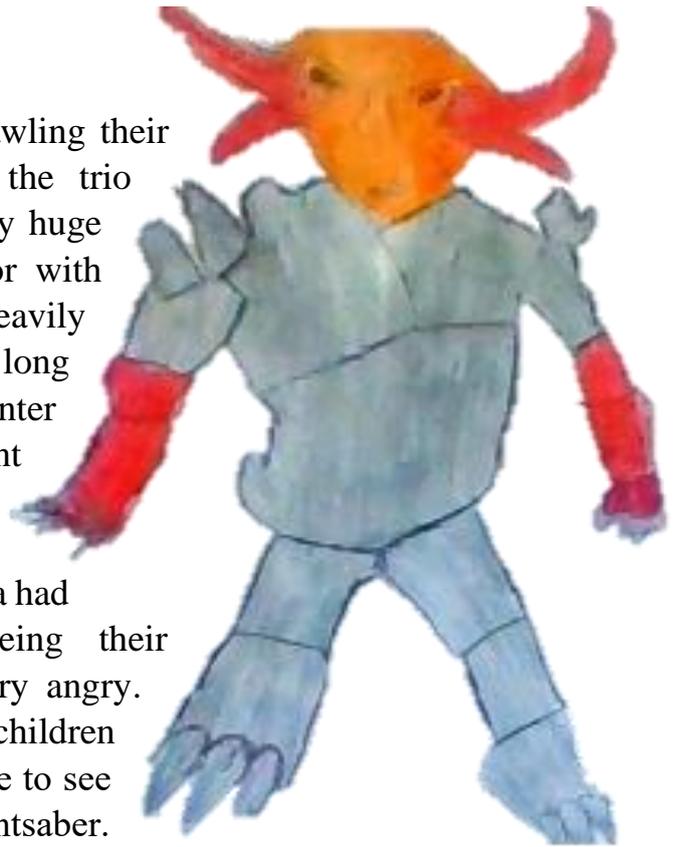
However, when they were actually sneaking past the zombies Dhriti tripped over Rudra’s leg and fell on Sumantra. The zombies came out to investigate what had happened. They had expected to see a rat or a cat but instead they saw three children.

Dhriti said “You’ll forget what you saw in 3..2..1” and the three children unleashed their wrath on the zombies using all the skills they had mastered while training with their mom. The east wing was then cleared from zombies.

Next, Dhriti, Rudra and Sumantra needed to creep through the eerie halls which were covered with cobwebs and spiders to reach the west wing.

The West Wing

After a few more showdowns and crawling their way through dark damp corridors, the trio reached the west wing. Amongst many huge wooden doors, they found a big door with Conqueror written on it and was heavily guarded. They waited patiently for a long time, bidding for the right time to enter Galax's den. Finally, three of them went inside to find Galax sitting on a big golden chair and Sunehra was tied next to him. Dhriti, Rudra and Sumantra had underestimated their opponent. Seeing their mother tied up made the children very angry. Galax laughed nastily when the children threatened to kill him and said "I'd like to see you try" and then he took out his lightsaber.



Rudra, Sumantra and Dhriti took out their lightsabers and took positions to fight him. The three young warriors fought gallantly, taking turns to outsmart and disarm Galax. However much they tried, they were unable to disarm their enemy.



Then Sunehra faintly mumbled "Use your elements together". The three of them nodded and blasted their energy at one point and it became a big plasma ball.

Then the trio blasted the plasma ball at Galax and then Galax's shrieks of pain filled the room.

Dhriti took out her penknife and cut the ropes and freed their mom. Sunehra hugged the trio and said "I am proud of you".

A Peaceful Ending

After Galax was killed, the zombie army disappeared as well. Sunehra and her children wanted to restore Zeutron's former glory and planted many seeds and watered them every day. They waited till the seeds turned into little saplings before they decided to return to Earth.



It seemed like forever that the siblings were fighting over a game of football. Dhriti and her brothers' journey back to Earth was just as magical. One moment they were standing in a circle holding each other's arms, with their eyes tightly shut, when they opened their eyes, they were back on the football field, standing in a circle. Who could guess looking at these three small kids that they just saved a planet!!!

THE END

Blurb

This is the story of Dhriti, Rudra and Sumantra. From everyday kids playing and arguing, they end up in a different planet called Zeutron. Getting powers is something exciting for them, but they soon struggle to train. What will happen to them? What will happen to Zeutron? Read on to be mesmerised by their adventures.