Puzzles and Her Past

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Sunny-chan tries to discover her past and why she was born... But she finds mysterious things about her family along the way, even if she's only five years old...

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1 - Birthday

"Sunny! Get back here!"

A small four-year-old cabbit girl was running around the house as if she were trying to find something important. She was now poking at certain foods as if she wanted to have them to eat.

"Sunny, I told you we need to get you to preschool. Even though it's your birthday, it's a Wednesday so you have to go," the woman calmly informed her.

Sunny then turned and smiled as she dashed for her backpack and tried to take out her crayons, but her mother simply put it back in, causing the girl to whine a little.

"Sunnita Faith Watanabe, PLEASE don't do this... It's your last day before your small break and Preschool Graduation.(1) You have to act like a big girl since you'll be five tonight!"

Sunny stopped whining, but was worried, and then grabbed the skirt of her mother's dress as they left.

During free time, Sunny was looking out the window as she watched kindergarteners and first-graders playing outside, hoping she'd see two familiar faces.

"Come on, Sunny! Quit staring outside!" a boy cabbit with a dinosaur toy demanded as he got next to her.

"Naoki, just leave her. She's the youngest kid in our class(2) anyway and she'll always be the Runt," another boy, a wolf, told the boy cabbit, "Daddy always told me the runts don't get as much 'cuz they're the littlest."

Sunny banged on the window to try and get the first-graders' attention, but only one boy turned and began to run towards the building.

"I wonder what that boy's doing," Soma-sensei would wonder to herself as she went outside to bring him back, but Sunny followed her preschool teacher.

"Oh! Faith!" the boy exclaimed as he ran over to Sunny and bear-hugged her.

"You know Sunnita Faith-chan, Kazu-kun?" the teacher asked the boy.

"Yeah, we're relatives!" the boy, Kazu, responded as he slowly let go of his niece.

(They are related, and you DO call a half-brother's daughter a niece... Just wanted to point that out since Kazu and Ko are Klonoa's half-siblings and Sunny is the daughter of Klonoa and Lolo! xD)

Sunny simply handed Kazu a picture, which was just of a bunch of rather poorly-drawn flowers (But hey! She's improving!) on a green field.

"Oh, thanks, Faith... Ah! If anyone's picking on you or something, let me know, 'kay? I gotta get back to recess since I'm preparing for a rematch..." he turned and started to run, "See you later!" he shouted as he ran off to the crowd of first-graders.

Sunny waved good-bye as she looked over near where he was.

"Sunny-chan, let's go back. Okay, dear?" Soma-sensei asked as she smiled at the tiny student of hers.

Sunny, who was now a little depressed, only slowly turned and walked towards where her classroom was.

"I had Kazu and his sister Ko-chan here two years ago, Sunny-chan," the teacher whispered.

"Hey, it's the Runt!" the wolf boy shouted directly at Sunny.

Sunny couldn't help but panic and run off to under a table as some of the kids laughed at her.

Then a pink-and-red cabbit girl, who was standing next to the wolf boy, slapped his arm, causing him to cry a little. "You do NOT tease her!" she yelled at the boy. "Just 'cuz she's the littlest and doesn't talk much doesn't mean you can tease her!"

Sunny only stared at the cabbit girl with a bewildered expression as tears streamed down from her face.

"Sakura-chan, we don't hit people--"

"I know, sensei! But he was teasin' Sunny-chan!" the cabbit girl, Sakura, responded.

"I could of told the other students myself that Sunny has au--(3)"

"I know about it, I heard my mommy talking about it with Sunny-chan's mommy."

"You don't eavesdrop either. That's impolite..."

"Oh."

As she hid a tiny crystal from her friend, Sakura walked over to Sunny and lightly touched her hand. "Don't worry, he's just mean. I'll make sure he stays away."

Sunny only nodded yes as she began to play with her tiny doll, which was Doremi from *Ojamajo Doremi Sharp* dressed in a pink Witch Apprentice Uniform.

(yes, I know there's just regular Ojamajo Doremi, but Sharp is, and always will be, my favorite season?)

"Oh! Is that Doremi-chan? I guess your mom got you into classic anime as well!" Sakura chimed. Sunny nodded as she smiled and hugged Sakura's arm. "Hey, Lolo..." "Hm?" "How's your daughter doing with the counciling and stuff?" "Oh, she's fine... She's improved a little, though." "Isn't she five now?" "She's four until about eight twenty-seven PM... Three minutes until she goes to bed tonight." Lolo, Sunny's mother, was getting ready to pick up Sunny from her friend's house, since the tiny girl and her classmates only had morning preschool, which ended at eleven fifteen in the morning. "So you're ending your shift?" Lolo only nodded and began to leave. "Lo, the card." Lolo handed a card to her boss and then dashed outside to the parking lot. "Please don't be in a panic attack, please don't be in a panic attack!"(4) she prayed to Goddess Claire. Lolo had arrived at Sakura's house, and she didn't hear Sunny's crying-- a good sign. Instead, Sunny had ran out and grabbed Lolo's hand. "Sunny-chan was getting impatient, Watanabe-sama!" Kimiko, Sakura's mother, notified. "Yamasaki-san, thanks for the heads-up--" "Bye-bye, Sunny-chan!" Sakura shouted as she and Sunny waved goodbye to each other. In the car, Sunny was holding onto her Doremi doll, which was now wearing a casual purple-and-pink shirt, beige shorts, light-pink socks, and pink shoes.

"Sunny-chan, can you listen for a minute?" Lolo asked.

Sunny immediately looked up at Lolo. "Myu?" the tiny cabbit girl squeaked.

"Please promise me you'll try to speak again... It's been about four years since you've said your first words, but then you never spoke again..."

Sunny tilted her head in confusion, as if her expression said "What? It's not my fault I can't talk."

Lolo sighed in relief. "Anyway, you need to be happy since it's your birthday!"

Sunny smiled and began to squeal in happiness for a little bit until her mother told her "turn it down to level two(5), Sunny..." with a calm voice.

Cake.

Presents.

Family.

Excitement.

Those four things went on throughout the rest of the day before she had gotten into her pj's and was getting ready to go to bed, but she remembered something from when she was little--

She was only four months old and was being put to sleep by a lullaby.

But who sang it?

He sounded soft and soothing...

His voice was very familiar...

He tried SO hard to keep her calm (and succeeded)...

She really loved him...

"Sunny-chan, you alright?"

Sunny quickly turned to Kazu and nodded.

"Kazu~! I gotta give her advice, too!" Kazu's twin sister, Ko, shouted.

"I thought you BOTH were," Klonoa sighed.

"Oh yeah!" the girl replied as she took Sunny's hand and ran off with her.

The memory then returned to Sunny as she fell asleep...

(A/N: That's all I got for chapter one since we're heading to a restaurant for my birthday and I wanted this to be posted today! Plus I'm addicted to Klonoa Heroes!)

EXTRA NOTES:

- (1) Preschool Graduation- Yeah, I thought in Breezegale, the schooling system is actually similar to Japan's, with the addition of preschool. There's preschool, Primary (Kindergarten to 6th Grade, but the Kindergarten is a separate building), Junior High (7th Grade to 9th Grade, this is how it's done in Japan), and High School (10th Grade to 12 Grade, usually done in Japan). And I remember there being Kindergarten Graduation (I saw kindergarteners practicing something a few days before my friemds and I promoted out of 8th grade, and I think I saw a little boy who I thought had autism like me because he was covering his ears due to the loud music...), so I'm putting a little twist in this~!
- (2) Youngest in the Class- Sunny IS the youngest in her class. My thought was that her school year usually ended in May and began in August (that's how it usually works at my school, same with Rae's) and that they don't accept kids born later than the last day of school/graduation day (they don't do THAT at my school, I can tell you that), so she's pretty much lucky to be in her preschool class!
- (3) "She has au--"- Sunny-chan was diagnosed with autism at the age of one (hard to believe, I know!) when someone suggested for Klonoa and Lolo to see what was up with Sunny-chan hating having her head patted, rubbed, or even TOUCHED (except by Mamoru, her grandfather, or whenever she's taking a bath xD).
- (4) Panic Attacks- An autistic child, like Sunny-chan, can get into Panic Attacks whenever there's a change, if they don't think his/her parents are bringing them home when told he/she was, if they don't win a game, or if he/she gets frustrated. And this happens to Sunny ALOT in this story/fanfic!
- (5) Level Two- This means her voice has to be soft xD

2 - Bugs!

Sooo the next afternoon, Sunny was--

Let me explain! So it was raining and stuff, and so Klonoa brought Sunny to Kazu's house (A/N: Well, duh, Klonoa has to work... Lolo does too xD) and here's what happened.

"Ko! We're gonna find some type of bug!" Kazu immediately announced as he put a red-and-orange raincoat on and handed Sunny a purple-and-green one.

"Nooo! I found something for her!" his twin sister replied as she ran over to them, holding a hot-pink princess dress specifically for Sunny.

The yellow cabbit only glanced over at Ko and then instantly hid behind Kazu. Sunny HATED pink unless it was a pastel pink.

(A/N: She likes Pinkie Pie though... Don't judge.)

"I know you're there, Faith! You don't wanna catch bugs, they're gross and stuff!"

Sunny then grabbed Kazu's hand as she then started walking outside with him.

"I'll tell Dad!" Ko demanded as she ran off to find Mamoru.

"We don't care!" Kazu then opened the door, let himself and Sunny out, and then shut the door.

Sunny then squealed in excitement as she ran around, letting the raindrops fall onto her; raincoat, fur, and all. Honestly, she LOVED the rain and couldn't get enough of it, but she hated thunder, lightning, and storms.

"Come on, Faith! We gotta find some bugs and stuff!" Kazu demanded as he started searching through bushes, causing Sunny to do the same.

Meanwhile, at the "Krusty Krab", Joka had shown Garlen an explosive pie, which was supposed to be for Guntz as a "Employee Brotherhood Gift", but a tiny piece of it exploded on them.

"He CRIED you a sweater of tears and you tried to KILL him?!" Garlen asked with a tone of anger in his voice as he got up and faced Joka.

The tiny clown creature couldn't explain, but then Guntz came by, saying the thing he ate was really good, and then Garlen noticed the pie was gone.

"Oh thanks, Joka!" Guntz said as he bowed in respect and ran off into the restaurant.

(A/N: If you read "Fanfic or Randomness?" by RaeAshleyRodri, you know where this is going. Yes, some parts deal with Guntz~!)

"He most likely has until sunset to live. I've seen this eleven times to be exact," Garlen concluded.

Joka then rushed to the phone and dialed a number. "Hello? ... It won't work?! ... Eleven times?!" He then hung up the phone and started crying. "I need to make the last hours of his life meaningful..."

Garlen then strangely looked at the sky as it was raining. "Seems like yesterday when it was dark and stormy and that kid was born."(1)

"Faith! Look what I found!" Kazu shouted as he ran over to her with a caterpillar.

The girl responded with a smile and revealing a large, green frog.

"A frog?!"

Sunny only nodded.

"Okay, we should get inside now--"

Sunny was now squealing with joy as she began stomping in puddles, one-by-one, and still being careful with the frog, which was on her head.

"Can't blame her!" Kazu agreed as he put the caterpillar on an arm of his raincoat and joined in with her.

About ten minutes later, Sunny grabbed Kazu's hand and began to run towards the door, but--

"Sunny? Kazu?"

They immediately stopped to see Mamoru, who didn't notice the tiny creatures the two kids had befriended.

"Come on, I found something you two might like."

Sunny instantly bolted to Mamoru and clinged onto his arm. Yes, these two share some type of bond that lasted since the small girl was born.

"Wait, what is it?" Kazu asked as he put the caterpillar on his hand.

"It's something for di-- Kazu, why do you have that with you?"

"He wanted a snack, dad!"

"Kazu, bring it back outside."

Kazu then ran off to his room, still holding the caterpillar.

"MASAKAZU! BRING THAT THING OUTSIDE NOW!"

Sunny then began having a Panic Attack as she slowly backed away from her grandfather.

"Dangit, why now, Sunny-chan?!" Mamoru asked the small girl, who's his granddaughter.

Sunny then slowly took the frog off her head as she was still crying.

Mamoru then paused and looked at the frog. To him, frogs were alright, be he HATED bugs, despite being an Earth-elemented cabbit.

"A frog?" Mamoru questioned.

"Ka-e-ru," Sunny murmured as she looked down.

"Did you say something, dear?"

Sunny didn't say anymore as she looked back at him.

"You said something. I know you did, Sunny-chan!"

The girl only started crying again as she turned away from him, since she thought he wanted her to bring the frog back outside.

"Y-You can keep the frog, Sunny, I'm sure your parents won't mind..."

Kazu and Ko then slowly walked into the room, but they weren't noticed by either Mamoru or Sunny. But then the caterpillar slowly crawled onto the sleeve of Ko's shirt, and the girl obviously noticed this.

"KAZU, GET THAT THING OFF ME!" Ko screamed as she began trying to fling the caterpillar off her arm.

Sunny's screaming only got louder.

"She's having a Panic Attack, so try not to yell!" Mamoru informed the twins.

Kazu and Ko instantly froze.

"Hey Dad, what's a Panic--"

The autistic girl then just ran over to them and cupped her hands over the bug.

"Sunnita Fa--"

Sunny then HISSED before Mamoru could finish saying her real name. She HATED when the words "Sunnita Faith" were said. She HATED her real name SO MUCH.

"I'm telling your mother about this--"

"Dad! It wasn't her fault! You're overreacting!" Ko stated as she stuck the caterpillar on the wall.

"OH GAWD! GET IT OFF THE WALL AND BACK OUTSIDE!" Mamoru shouted.

Sunny then got the caterpillar off the wall, ran to an open window, and THREW it outside, where it landed perfectly on a leaf.

The others could only stare at amazement.

"Bye-bye," Sunny said as she waved goodbye to the caterpillar.

"Yay!" Ko cheered as she clapped her hands. "Faith's starting to get my point!"

"No, she's only listening to Dad, you know,"(2) Kazu pointed out.

Sunny only walked over to Mamoru and fell asleep as she clutched his left arm.

"Well, what do you two think? You think we should get dinner started?" Mamoru asked.

"Yeah!" Kazu agreed.

"But first put Faith somewhere so she can rest, Dad!" Ko added.

About a few hours later, Sunny woke up to realize she was in Ko's bed (lol I don't know why xD) and that she had fallen asleep.

"Faith, we're going to eat dinner!" Ko noted as she tried to get Sunny out of the bed.

And it turns out Guntz didn't die, he saved the pie for Joka to eat! And Joka and Guntz both survived during the pie's explosion! XD

Notes-

- (1) "Seems like yesterday it was dark and stormy and that kid was born."- Yes, Garlen was referring to when Sunny was born.
- (2) "She's only listening to Dad, you know."- Yeah, Sunny only tried to get rid of the caterpillar so it could

be nice and quiet again...

A/N: While I was writing this, I kept putting "Sunny" instead of "Faith" when Kazu and Ko mention her, and I'm like "They say Faith, not Sunny! Get it right, Rachael! XD" and so I did! And I'll explain what happened to that caterpillar in a later chapter XD

3 - Preschool Graduation and Her New Voice!

Sunny was wearing a light-purple cap and gown for her Preschool Graduation. You see, the preschoolers (and seniors from High School, along with sophomores and juniors that got exempted from their Finals) started Summer Vacation before everyone else, which meant Ko and Kazu couldn't make it to Sunny's graduation... However, a few people were able to make it...

"You look really cute!" Klonoa said as he was laughing a little. "You remind me of Ko-chan for some reason!"

Sunny couldn't think of anything else to do than smile. Just have an adorable smile and you're good!

"We need to get going so you can get into position and so we can get good seats!" Klonoa noted as he gently grabbed his daughter's hand and began to leave.

"Myu!" Sunny simply chirped as Klonoa sighed.

Lolo smiled as if she and her daughter had planned something.

"C'mon, we promised Dad we'd meet him at where Sunny's graduating!"

"Alright, then, Klonoa~!" Lolo agreed.

Sunny was now behind a curtain with her classmates, who were wearing caps and gowns, but with different colors.

"Sunny, don't get upset if they say your real name, okay?" Sakura, who was wearing a red cap and gown, asked as Sunny only nodded.

She understands? Sakura thought.

"Hikari Ajibana," a voice annouced.

A purple-and-white-furred wolf girl wearing a yellow cap and gown proceeded to where the voice was.

About fifteen minutes later, Sunny, Sakura, and another classmate were the only ones waiting behind the curtain.

"Naoki Utagawa."

The same boy cabbit who sometimes bothered Sunny during free time walked towards the voice.

"Don't freak out, Sunny-chan. I'll be with you!" Sakura whispered.

"Sunnita Faith Watanabe."

Sunny immediately walked over the same direction Naoki went, and her teacher handed her a diploma.

"Say what you want to be when you grow up," Naoki whispered.

Sunny then took a deep breath. "I'm... I'm an artist!" she chirped.

Most of the kids, along with a lot of people in the audience, were gaping at the fact that Sunny spoke. She NEVER spoke yet. Or did she..?

Then, even though her name wasn't said, Sakura came out of the curtain and accepted her diploma. "I want to help Sunny in any way possible!" she shouted as she grabbed her best friend's hand and held it up.

Then Mamoru started clapping, causing more and more people to clap second by second. The preschoolers all bowed as they got pictures taken of them. Heck, some people had video cameras out, who wonders if a Watanabe will upload this online!(1)

"SUNNY-CHAN!" a few of people shouted happily.

Sunny then looked over towards where some of her family members were and smiled.

"Sunny-chan, why did you just speak?"

"Momma planned it."

Klonoa then turned to Lolo, who was blushing alot...

"Lolo..."

"Okay, okay... I heard her speaking yesterday before Kisho visited so we came up with a plan!" Lolo admitted as she was crying of happiness. "She CAN'T be forced to speak, but you'd try to convince her... I mean, sure, she DID speak when she was a baby, it was rather rare though..."

"Momma~!"

Lolo then turned to see her five-year-old daughter and smiled. "What is it, Sunny-chan?"

"Where are we goin' for lunch?" Sunny asked as she took off her cap and handed it to Lolo.

"I was thinking we could have something at home," Lolo responded.

"PASTA?!"
"Heck yeah!"
"Best day EVER!"

Later that afternoon, they were all having lunch (why? o.o) back at Klonoa's place... But Sunny was only laying down in her room, drawing pictures... Just drawing. It was what she did when she was calm (or she'd play with My Little Ponies whenever Ko visited...) and NOBODY would interrupt unless he/she had to get her so she could have a snack or if he/she wanted to see what she was drawing.

"Hey, Sunny-chan! What are you drawing?" Lolo asked as she walked in and then examined the picture her daughter was drawing.

It looked like a yellow pony-- a PEGASUS-- with a pink mane and tail, along with a couple butterflies on her flank.

"Oh! Is that Fluttershy?"

Sunny nodded. "Fluttershy~!"

"Hey, dad! I guess Sunny-chan's a pegasister now!" Kisho shouted.

"A what now?" Mamoru asked.

"You don't want to know."

Sunny then shouted, "MY LIFE IS RUINED!" which caused everyone to laugh... Obviously she DID use a quote from the show (Rainbow Dash, to be exact!), but some people didn't know that.

"Anyway, Sunny-chan, your macaroni's almost done."

"It's PASTA."

"T-That's what I meant!"

Sunny smiled. If someone called pasta "macaroni", she would correct them by saying "it's pasta," because it's what she's used to. In fact, that's what an autistic person would do-- correct the person if he's wrong.

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"So, Sunny, you going to be ready for Kindergarten in a few months?" Klonoa asked as he was finding something to read to Sunny before she went to bed.

"Kindergarten? What's that?" Sunny questioned as she was trying to get herself comfortable enough in her bed.

"It's pretty much school again. A little bit harder than Preschool, but you'll probably learn alot there."

"Do we get to draw?"

"Alot."

The little cabbit's eyes instantly widened in excitement.

"However, you'll be learning about sixty percent of the time each day you go there."

Her eyes returned to normal. "Oh." She looked around and then back at Klonoa. "Story?"

"Yeah! I found the one about those Moos!"

Klonoa had then attempted to read the entire story to her, but she fell asleep close to the end of the third-to-last page.

Oh, well... She does know what happens in the end anyway, he thought as he kissed his daughter's forehead and walked out of her room.

"Is she asleep yet?" Lolo asked.

Klonoa simply nodded. "She really does look like a little angel."

Lolo simply looked at the ground, crying a little due to memories. "Yeah... An angel..."

Klonoa then looked over where Sunny was. "Angel... She was born an angel..."