# Life Within the Castle

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This is a story about a young princess who is a Royal Kougra. The pets in this story belong to me and my friends on neopets.

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## **1 - Introduction**

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It was dark, dull day for a lovely Royal Kougra. She had almost no light in her room except for a tiny window by her bed that wasn't even big enough for her finger to fit through. She only wished for a little bit more of sunlight but her father refused to let her delicate, pale skin to get burned by the sun. Her father was too protective. She only wished to go outside only for a minute. If she could then all of her life that she had before would be nothing.

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No one knew the name of the lovely Royal Kougra except her mother and father, she even forgot it herself. And her father did everything for her. I mean everything. He cleaned her room, told her slaves what to do, even fed her like a baby! But worst of all that he did was picking a husband for this lovely princess. He was a Royal Kougra, and way more snooty than she'll ever be. She isn't even snooty! But she loved another but he was a peasant and her father hated him more than anyone in the world! The boy she loved was a Christmas Kougra but he loved another too. He loved a Mutant Kougra! Something so vile, so ugly that you would run a thousand miles to get away from her.

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Her mother was the same way as her dad but not a bad. She too hated the Christmas Kougra. She wanted to lock him in the dark, gloomy dungeons. The only reason her parents hated him so much was that they locked the Mutant Kougra in the dungeons and he keeps on trying to break her out. </div>

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The life of this Royal Kougra was always gloomy and if she even had a grin on her face her parents would ruin it. One day she met the castle court jester. She couldn't believe there was something happy in this castle. The court jester tried to cheer her up and the court jester put a smile on her after a while. But once her parents seen her smile they locked the court jester in the darkest dungeon. She didn't know why her parents did this to her.

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"I wish I could help you! I told you I can't, I might get put in the dungeons for it, it is against the law!" Said the Royal Kougra's friend an Island Wocky, his name was <font color="Blue">Imamanlywoman22 or Ima for short, "If I even step outside myself I would take the greatest of punishment!"</font>

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They were in the Royal Kougra's room talking as they normally do to get away from the Royal Kougra's father. They were just talking about escaping but they both knew it was a law that the inhabitants of the castle can't go outside.

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"Ima it is against the law for you to just talk to me! But fine, just be that way." All of the sudden you could hear foot steps coming down the hall. "I'd get out of here if I were you I hear my father coming! You know what he did last time he found us together," said the Royal Kougra.

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<I><i>A little Royal Kougra came up in her mother's clothes that were way to big on her. She was walking up the steps to her parent's thrones, normally she couldn't do this but everyone was at the dinner table eating so no one was around. While she was walking up the steps she tripped on her mother's cape and fell down all the steps she had climbed. She had hurt herself badly and everyone was eating so they couldn't hear her cries. Out of the shadows came a young Island Wocky; he must have heard her. The Island Wocky came and stood her up gently and took her to her room to heal. The Kougra heard footsteps coming to her room so she told the Wocky to leave as quick as she could but unfortunately Her father was already at the door, he said "Did I hear you cry my dear?" but then he noticed the Wocky by her side, "Did you hurt my little girl? If I ever see you with her again I will lock you in the darkest, dampest dungeon we have!" </i>

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"Yes I remember it well, but he hasn't caught me since the first time we met and he's not going to this time!" Ima said looking proud of himself, "I have conducted a new potion, it will make me invisible!"

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"You mean bought from the store right?" the Royal Kougra said.

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#### White; "> "You always have to spoil the fun." Ima sighed. </div>

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"Oh, I'm sorry I didn't mean to spoil your fun. I'll let you brag." The Royal Kougra giggled.

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"Who are you talking to, and why are you giggling?" her father yelled and he came through the door. </div>

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"I am talking to myself of course dad, who else would listen," she looked back to see why her father didn't notice Ima but he was gone so she guessed he had drunk the potion already, "and I was giggling because I was laughing at how silly it is to talk to yourself." She gave a big grin to hide that she was lying but could barely take the pressure.

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Her father knew that grin. "Sage358 how could you lie to me!" There was a sudden pause.

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"Father you said my name! I had almost forgotten it since that was the first time in years that I've heard it!" she said very pleased. "Sage358, that's it this time I won't forget," she said softly to herself.

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"Sage358! Don't try to change the subject, why did you lie to me? I'm your father you can tell me anything," her father told her.

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"Right, you won't even listen to me I always have ideas to make this a better place but you never listen! Why do you want to listen now?" Sage yelled. </div>

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White; "> "Fine, if you feel that way I will leave," her father said softly. </div>

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"Father, what will leaving help? It won't help your kingdom, your people, or me! I could help you to help everyone, that is if you just listened!" Sage yelled, but her dad didn't listen and just went out the door.

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"Thank you, it was the best yet!" Sage said smiling.

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"I didn't know your name was Sage," Ima said, "After all these years of being your friend and I didn't even know your name. That sounds pathetic doesn't it? Do you mind if I call you Sage since you call me Ima?"

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"That doesn't so pathetic since I didn't even know my own name. My parents never say it, since they control what I do they just don't say my name, I'm like a slave that gets to do nothing all day. They treat me like a slave since they tell me what to do every minute. Oh and sure you can call me Sage," Sage said getting a tear in her eye.

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"Sorry I need to go or my parents might get worried about me, if they are done serving your parents," Ima said going out the door.

"Bye Ima!" Sage said before the Wocky closed the door. "Well now I'm alone," she sighed, "maybe someone else in the castle wants to play." So she left her room to find someone to play with.

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A few minutes after Sage had left her room, guard was sent to her room to find out what she was lying about. The guard searched her entire room and found only one thing, Wocky prints on the floor. He knew someone had been in her room. He examined the paw prints and he noticed that the paw prints belonged to child because they were small. There was only one Wocky cub in the castle, Ima.

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Sage was walking back to her room since no one could play. While she was walking back she saw a circle of guards, she knew they were arresting someone. Sage wanted to know whom it was so she squeezed through the crowd and noticed that the person was Ima! She had to help her but it was too late the guards were already taking her to the dungeon. "Don't worry Ima! I will find a way to get you out!" yelled Sage.

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Once Sage had got to her room she jumped on her bed and cried, she knew that she was the reason why Ima got arrested. She was going to make it up to him, but she couldn't in the castle while everyone was watching her and she needed some help, so she had to escape.

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Later that night Sage had just left her room when she noticed guards surrounded the hallways so she couldn't go to save Ima; she would have to find another way out. She went back into her room to think. She looked through the tiny window and could barely see the moonlight. She saw the kingdom that her father owned; it seemed to get prettier the further you got away from the castle. She thought about how to get out all night but it didn't come to her.

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The next morning Sage went to see Ima's parents to see how they were handling things. She knocked on their door and it just opened so Sage walked in. "Hello, anyone home?" Sage yelled hoping for a reply, but their wasn't one. She looked around saying to herself that Ima's parents are probably still serving her father and are not in the dungeon. She walked into Ima's room and it was filled magic potions and caldrons. Sage looked through Ima's potions seeing if he still had some of that invisibility potion. If he did, Sage thought he wouldn't mind if she took a bit of it to free him from the dungeon. After a few hours of looking she found it and took it to her room.

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Later that night Sage took the potion and she disappeared into thin air. Sage opened the door carefully and walk passed each guard making sure that they didn't bump into her and she didn't bump into them. Finally she reached the front door of the castle, but she tried opening it and it was locked. All hope was lost.

All of the sudden she heard a loud "Boom!" near the dungeon so she went to go see what it was. Once she got there she was extra careful because of a powerful sorcerer that protects the dungeons. He is a blind Bruce and since it is so dark he doesn't need eyes, he senses every noise. I walked quietly to the door of the dungeon, when she opened it the door made a loud creaking sound. The sorcerer already could tell she was here. She ran down the hallway into the dungeon. She ran into someone but he was not the sorcerer, it was her father. He had a torch in his hand so he could see. "What are you doing down here? If one of these prisoners escaped they would use you as a defense so we can't attack them! You need to be careful," her father said pushing her towards the door.

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Sage looked at herself and noticed that she was visible again and guessed that the potion wore off. "Father, I can handle myself! Most of the people you put in here are innocent! Your just a monster trying to show your power off to everyone!" Sage yelled without thinking and ran off. She looked back to see if she hurt his feeling and she could tell that she did.

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Sage went in her room and slammed the door closed and locked it behind her. Her room was filled with light but she didn't notice, she was to upset. She jumped on her bed and looked at the ceiling, but it was so bright she had to squint her eyes. Then she realized that her window was blow open by what looked like it might has been dynamite. "Why, hello," said a strange voice from behind her. Sage turned around alarmed to her someone in her room. It was the Christmas Kougra that she loved. "Now don't be alarmed, I'm here to save you. I need your help."

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White; "> "Save me from what? I don't need to be saved and what do you need me to do?" Sage said about to jump out the window. </div>

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"I wouldn't do that if I were you. It is a long way down you know. Such a delicate princess as yourself could get hurt," he said.

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"I am not a delicate princess! Why do people think that?" Sage said climbing down the stonewall.

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"Fine but you won't survive a minute out in town. It is a monstrous place out there! Good luck!" he said. He started to climb down also but before he got to the window, Sage's father started to knock on the door. The Christmas Kougra jumped down hoping he would not get hurt. He flew past Sage who was almost to the bottom.

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In Sage's room her father knocked down the door to find that Sage had left through the window. He stuck his head out to see if he could still see her but Sage was already out of sight. He sent all of his soldiers after her, but they came back with nothing.

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Sage walked though the village but she had one problem, she forgot about a disguise so everyone crowded around her, which made her easy for the soldiers to find her. She decided to get out of the village. She pushed her way through the rough crowds. Once she made her way past the crowd she ran out of town turning here and there. It was like a huge maze. She ran for hours to find an exit but it seemed like she was going in circles. Finally she had to slow down because she was so tired but she kept moving. She needed to escape her father's kingdom, but it seems to last forever.

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Finally she made it to an open field. The trees and plants were so new to her. Everything was so beautiful to her. For a moment she was caught up in all the beauty but then she remembered Ima. As soon as she remembered that she felt so stupid. It was the Christmas Kougra's help that she needed. He insulted her and she forgot all about it. Luckily she knew where he lived. He lived in a small shack on the outside of the town; in fact it should have be somewhere right where she is.

Sage walked around for a while looking for the small shack and soon she found it. It was much smaller than she expected. It was just two inches taller than her and it couldn't have had more than one room. Sage slowly walked towards it but before she got there the Christmas Kougra popped out of nowhere and said, "I knew you would come back! Oh by the way I am Pinokneo but my friends all call me Pinkoneo because it has pink in it and they know I hate pink. Oh what's your name?"

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This surprised Sage and made her jumped a little. "My name is Sage358 but my friends call me Sage," she simply replied, "Sorry I over reacted at the castle but I really need your help." She explained her story and then he just laughed. "I don't see what is funny!"

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"First of all, you actually have friends! And second, you actually care that someone is in the dungeon! You're the ones that put Neopets in there!" Pinkoneo said laughing so hard it was a little bit hard to make out what he was saying.

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"Well yes I do have one good friend," Sage replied sticking her tongue out. "And I don't put anyone in the dungeon! That is my father."

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"Sure if you like to believe that. I guess I'll let you live in your little world. Well anyways I need you to help me get into the castle and break everyone out," Pinkoneo said still laughing.

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White; "> "Nice plan but how do we get back inside the castle?" Sage asked curiously. </div>

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White; "> "Leave that to me! MAH HA HA HA HA HA HA! \*coughs\*"

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