Harvey's journey through space and time

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Harvey couldn't see. He was still grappling with the shadow cat. However, the air was slowly being forced out of his lungs by some unknown grip. Harvey clawed at his neck to no avail. He grabbed the shadow cat, and with a force of unknown strength, he shoved them away. Suddenly, light filled his eyes. He was in a warm meadow, with luscious green grass and beautiful flowers and trees (don't worry, we're just as surprised as you are). Harvey looked in the distance, and saw something very bad. The shadow cat was there, but it was as large as a skyscraper. However, it was still in the horizon. At least for now.

"Hello, are you new here?" Harvey turned around and saw Mavis, with a flower necklace and a large smile spread across her gray face.

Harvey sighed in relief. "Mavis, you're okay!" Harvey exclaimed, and got ready for their special paw shake to begin.

"Are you sure *you're* okay?" Mavis told him, and backed away. "I don't know who you are, but I can tell that you mean trouble. The Shadow Priest will punish me if I break tradition. Go away, before you get us both in trouble." With that, Mavis ran off in the other direction.

Harvey, thoroughly puzzled, looked back after Mavis. She was moving very fast, toward the giant shadow cat on the horizon. Harvey knew what he had to do. He ran after Mavis as fast as he could.

Harvey, even with all of his strength, couldn't match Mavis's speed. However, he would still make it to the large shadow cat on the horizon who could only be the Shadow Priest. He'd rescue Mavis from this place.

Harvey ran and ran, and did not get tired. This was odd. However, so was this whole place. Harvey just kept running. So did Mavis. Harvey also didn't feel hungry or thirsty. This place had its perks alright. Eventually, Harvey reached the shadowy figure. He could see 3 cats kneeling before it. One of them was definitely Mavis. The other 2 Harvey did not recognize.

"The time has come," the Shadow Priest boomed. "You will continue to hold our religion in death. Now come, give me your bodies and die in tradition." With that, the Shadow Priest molded itself into a spinning wheel of darkness. The first 2 cats stepped in calmly, eyes closed in prayer. Mavis was last.

"Why can't I stay and serve you in life?" Mavis asked, looking calmly and serenely into the spinning wheel of darkness. Mavis stood firm and waited for an answer.

"Why sister Mavis, I need you power in death. Death is more powerful than life, if you know." The Shadow Priest answered, and then beckoned Mavis forward with a shadowy paw.

Harvey saw this, and made his move. He leaped out from the bush he was hiding in, and tackled Mavis away just as the paw made a move to shove Mavis into the wheel of darkness.

"You again?" Mavis asked, and shoved Harvey away. "I don't want anything to do with you!" Mavis then turned to the wheel of darkness, and tried to step through. However, it closed before she could get through. And in its place was a strange, 3 colored cat. It looked like 2 cats blended together, which was what it probably was.

Mavis recoiled from the figure. "But you said that our bodies would be put to rest in the serene grove of the yearly apricot!" Mavis looked stricken. "You lied, and broke tradition! You should be fed into the mouth of the Lavalicker toe by toe!"

"Ah, but sometime we have to lie, don't we sister Mavis?" The strange cat said something in a foreign language to Mavis, who suddenly shuddered as if in realization.

"I - I remember everything!" Mavis turned to Harvey, who was looking dumbfounded as he watched Mavis and the strange cat. "Harvey, how did you get here? We need to get out right now!"

Harvey barely heard her. He was looking at something in the distance, and it was approaching fast. It looked like a giant hornet, and was that lava dripping out of its mouth?

"The Lavalicker," the strange cat said, and then promptly vanished.

Mavis and Harvey looked at each other. Then, Mavis concentrated hard, and suddenly a tricycle popped into existence. She cut off Harvey's buts with a, "but we're not in the possible, are we?"

Harvey suddenly smiled, and concentrated very hard, too. And there it was. A Jeep. A four - wheeled, monster Jeep. Harvey jumped in and revved the engine. Then he made a crazy turn and followed after Mavis, who was pedaling furiously.

Harvey took out his catPhone, and started recording. He recorded the Lavalicker following him and Mavis, and him driving the Jeep (seriously Harvey? You know North can see this). However Harvey had to put down his catPhone and look behind him in the rear view mirror. The Lavalicker was still gaining, even with his 75 mph speed and Mavis's tricycle which had now been equipped with some rocket boosters. She had also thought up a soda machine that poured some drink in your mouth at intervals. She had obviously had practice thinking up her own things and then having them.

At this point, even we, Cats Illustrated, are very confused. The computer chip is very high tech, but are Harvey and Mavis really in this strange world right now? Many of us think yes. This is so exciting, we're planning on making a movie. The untouched video is already popcorn worthy.

Harvey has never had everything he has ever wanted. But in this space, that would not be impossible to have. So, Harvey decided to try something. He imagined a jet pack, and when it was on, her turned around his Jeep and rode straight at the Lavalicker. At the last moment, Harvey powered on the jet pack and zoomed out of the Jeep, just before it exploded into the Lavalicker's face.

Harvey flew around and back to Mavis, and then let the jet pack disappear. And Harvey promptly flew into the sky. Mavis had clearly also gotten the hang of this, because her tricycle was going over 300 mph and was 3 feet off the ground. This was literally the scene of one of Harvey's greatest dreams.

"What should we do?" Harvey shouted to Mavis, and looked behind him. The Lavalicker was very close, but slowly falling behind.

"Together, concentrate on home!" Mavis shouted back, and closed her eyes. Her tricycle zoomed forward, driving by itself. Harvey closed his eyes too, and concentrated on North, Makenna, his therapy office, and sugar (we're just guessing there). Suddenly, Harvey wasn't in the strange world, with the Lavalicker chasing him. He was with Mavis, in the exact spot that he had been when he disappeared with the shadow cat.

North, who had been watching the space where Harvey had disappeared for the last 3 hours, gasped. However, Harvey saw that North wasn't looking at him. He was looking at the 10 foot tall cat next to Harvey and Mavis. It was the shadow cat, with the body of 2 others all combined.

"Ahh," The strange cat said, in a deep, booming voice. "I see you have made it out alive. Pity. I guess you'll have to die for real, then. Good luck saving Coffee!" And then, the strange cat disappeared. And for the time on, Harvey would swear he heard Coffee scream.

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