

A large yellow planet with a ring system and two moons in space. The planet is the central focus, with a bright yellow ring system. Two smaller, brownish moons are visible, one in the upper left and one in the lower right. The background is a dark space filled with stars.

# **Al The Friendly Alien**

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Notes: This sequel follows our heroes through their adventures in space and beyond. I hope the reader will find it interesting enough to read it to the end.

I want to thank every who reads it and who has read my other ebooks, too. Also I want to thank my mother who although can't speak English, has patiently listened to me while reading (translating) my first volume for her. She said she liked it and I prefer believing her 😊 so I will translate this for her too. But this book is dedicated to my wonderful 4 year old daughter, Delia, whom I love more than myself. I hope that when she grows up she'll read my books for herself and she'll like them. I hope she'll be proud and not embarrassed. I am not a writer.... But I like to read and... well, I like to write. I think it is an easy and nice read all in all. But that's my opinion.

I'd also like to dedicate this to my husband whom I love, although to tell the truth, he doesn't like to read. In general. So I don't think he has something against my books, it is just how things are.

And last but not least, I will dedicate it to my friends whom I mentioned in my first volume, too : Mr. Scar, his wonderful wife Miihah, Harry, Bobby, Bratty, Mean, Neon, Alien, Sneaky, Killer, Hizzy, Scholar, Noah, my newest friend, Kookoo, and the rest of the gang. Love you all!!

Enjoy 😊

# AI, the friendly alien

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## Chapter 1: A bumpy ride

- I can't believe we are in outer space... said Delia a bit wistful.
- You have nothing to worry about, my love, said AI and kissed her passionately trying to take away all her worries. But you might want to fasten your seat belt at least till we get through the Van Allen radiation belts.
- Van... what? She asked a bit worried already.
- Van Allen radiation belts. Sounds nastier than it really is as long as the ship's protective shield is activated. And it is. Was the first thing I fixed.
- What is that AI? The Van Allen belt?
- It's a zone of particles charged with energy coming from solar winds or cosmic rays swirling around Earth due to the planet's magnetic field which keeps them there.
- Ugh... OK never mind... sounds complicated.
- I don't want you to panic but the ship is detecting something beyond the belt. I think it is another ship. And AI pushed some buttons and a large screen appeared in front of them with a blurry image of something which resembled the shape of a long and sharp plane but without the wings.
- What is that, AI?
- The radiation belt might be causing some malfunctioning within the operating system. But that might be a Kersna scout ship...We will know for sure once we go past the Van Allen belt. If I am right then we have to be prepared for anything. They are the most dangerous race in the galaxy. But they never ventured this far up to now. Not that I know of anyway.
- Oh my God! Said Delia who was really scared by now. As if the radiation thing wasn't enough now I have to worry about another alien race?

- Even if it is a Kersna spacecraft, it is just a scout ship by the size and shape of it. We should be able to see it clearly in a few minutes though.
- Al, doesn't your ship have a camouflage option or something?
- Yes, he answered amazed at her quick thinking. It has... but not sure it is still functional. It wasn't a priority to make sure it was fixed before we left as I wasn't expecting any hostile company before we could reach my home planet. Never thought the Kersna would venture in this part of the galaxy.
- The Kersna... said Delia pensive. What are they like? So I can make an impression on what we are up against.
- Well, he finally answered thinking that maybe she was right and it didn't hurt if she had some information about the possible danger, they are very smart but rather fragile. Their strength is their brains. They have hi-tech weapons but are feeble and easily to defeat when it comes to close combat. I think even you without any training could defeat one or two if they were unarmed.
- Oh, not sure if this should make me feel any better, she said with a soft wrinkle on her smooth forehead, a wrinkle which wasn't there before.
- OK, here goes nothing, said Al and he pushed a tiny green button which was on top of a handle connected to his commanding chair. I have just activated the camouflage for the ship. Hope it still works. Then looking at Delia, he added:
  - You don't have to hold your breath you know...
  - Oh, didn't even realize I was doing that!

Meanwhile their ship got out of the belt and was just behind the other ship. Suddenly the image on their front screen became clear and they could see it: a rather small scout ship which Al immediately recognized as belonging to the most hostile race in the galaxy, the Kersna. But as they didn't perceive any movement from it, Al assumed that the camouflage was working and that they were practically invisible to them. But Al understood in a moment what this really meant: this scout ship had discovered Earth, Delia's home planet. And this unfortunately also meant something else: everybody she cared about and loved and left behind on Earth was in

danger. As soon as the scout ship would return to the mother ship with the report about finding the blue planet with all its resources, especially water, Earth's fate was doomed. He couldn't let that happen. Even if he hadn't met his love there he still couldn't stand by while an innocent planet would be wiped away by these creatures. And he got to love Delia's parents and thought that humanity deserved a chance to live even if things weren't perfect on the blue planet. Humans had potential to become better and wiser. They were a relatively new race in comparison to his race or the Kersna who were the oldest race in the Milky Way at least.

So basically he figured what he had to do: destroy the scout ship and kill the Kersna inside. But his ship was a cargo ship and didn't have sophisticated weapons on it. His ship just had a rudimentary laser cannon but that would have to do. But for that he knew he had just one chance, one shot as it would deplete almost all the ship's energy. So he would have to wait until the last moment before he would push the fire button, he would have to wait for the perfect moment when the laser would be fully charged but also be careful not to be overcharged which could blow up his own ship and kill Delia and himself....

These Kersna had to go even if it was the last thing he did. He was determined to save Earth even if maybe he would only buy time for the small blue planet until the Kersna would send another scout ship back in this part of the galaxy. But maybe, just maybe, time was all the blue planet needed.

- Delia darling, said Al in a tense voice, these Kersna will have to die. If we don't kill them, they will bring more Kersna here and they will attack and destroy Terra and everyone you love. You understand?
- Yeah, she answered calm but determined. We can't let that happen, Al. My parents are there. I would do anything for them.
- Listen, my ship is a cargo ship. It only has a laser cannon. We will have to make it count. We only have one shot. If we don't destroy their ship in one shot then I am afraid they will retaliate. And things could get ugly.
- Oh, then make them feel it, Al! You can't let them destroy my home world. Think of my mom and dad, she said and small tears rolled down her cheeks.

I don't like the thought of killing other creatures but if what you say is true, then they deserve what's coming. Save my parents, save my world!

- OK, you know I will do everything I can. I have a clear shot in 55 seconds. Let's hope it will be enough! And Al waited for the remaining seconds to pass so he could push the fire button. 55 seconds later a powerful laser beam was shot from his laser cannon towards the enemy ship... the Kersna ship was heavily damaged but not destroyed.
- Delia, I feel two presences on board our ship. And I am not talking about us, said Al breathing heavily with emotion and fear, not for himself, but for her. He couldn't live without her.
- What do you mean? Asked Delia afraid of his answer as she could already guess what his answer would be.
- Two Kersna from the scout ship have fled their ship which they know will blow up in a matter of minutes and are aboard our ship.
- But how?
- There is only one possible answer: they must have hacked my ship's system and used our teleportation frequency. This means they are below deck, just below us. Here, he said, take this. And he gave her his small laser gun. All you have to do is aim and shoot. Press this button in order to shoot. I hope it won't come to that but I want you to have my gun just in case.
- What about you?
- I will go hunt them down. This is my ship... our ship since I've met you. But in case I can't stop them and they make their way here I want you to have something to defend yourself.
- And how are you going to kill them if you gave me your weapon? She asked sobbing softly concerned for him as well as her.
- With my charms! He said and smiled at her.
- Oh, do you think this is the time for jokes? But he had done it, had managed to put a faint smile on her face.
- I want you to hide behind this fake wall. It is in fact a door leading to a small cabinet. It was my personal touch to the ship... I built it for emergencies but never had to use it so far. Hope it does the job and keep you safe. And



remember, you have the laser gun. Aim and shoot, OK? And whatever you do, don't get out until I come to you. Then he added in a very low voice: if I don't come back let's hope they won't find you. Then they would probably try to contact their mother ship and abandon our ship. You'd have to wait there until you'd probably be tracked down by Nick, my boss. You'll be OK.

- No, we'll be OK. I'd rather come with you and try to help you than stay hidden in there. If... something happens to you then I don't want to live either. So we'd better kill these two Kersna and problem solved.
- You make it sound so easy, he said and caressed her hair. Are you sure?
- Yes, positive. When I agreed to come with you I knew there were risks but I accepted them. So wherever you go I go. And I think the gun is of more use in your hands than in mine. And she gave him back the laser gun.
- OK, then stay behind me and do as I say. And he found her to be brave as well as strikingly beautiful. He loved her.

He took the lead and carefully opened the door exiting the cockpit. He focused his mind to find out where exactly the two Kersna scouts were on his ship. He saw them with his mind, slowly climbing the stairs that lead to them. They were armed and dangerous as long as they had their weapons on them.

Meanwhile fear mixed with a strong will to live took over Delia's entire being. She could feel all her senses stronger than ever. Her sight and hearing were enhanced to the maximum. She was focusing so hard to see the Kersna that her eyes began to sting her. She heard some muffled sounds coming from below and she knew they were coming up the stairs towards them. Then she heard Al whisper to wait and not make another move as he also knew the Kersna were close. They hid behind the wall and waited for the Kersna's next move. The Kersna began to fire their guns and they had to retreat behind a massive door leading to a large corridor that lead back to the cockpit.

Delia covered her eyes and for a split second she saw the two Kersna in all their might behind the massive iron door. How could she see them with her eyes closed? She didn't know and she didn't care. All her thoughts were focused on getting out of this alive. Her life couldn't end now, especially as she had found the

love of her life and they were going to travel through the Milky Way and visit other planets and learn new things. So no way was she going to give up now. The two Kersna standing in their way had to go. She wished them dead so bad. She opened her eyes and without a trace of fear in her body or mind she passed by Al who froze at seeing her go straight for the door and the two Kersna. She saw them standing right in front of her and raising their guns to shoot her. Then it happened: she raised her bare hands towards them and the Kersna dropped their guns and started floating a few centimeters above the floor. Then she clapped her hands violently and the moment her hands touched, the two Kersna smashed their heads and fell dead to the ground. Then Delia too collapsed but Al was there to catch her before she hit the ground.

## Chapter 2: Latent powers

Al had witnessed what happened but he still couldn't believe what he had just seen. What had just happened? Delia had just killed the two Kersna with the power of her mind... no wonder he couldn't read her mind. It seemed she was more powerful than him. But how? She was just a human, right? Or was she?

She was sound asleep now on a couch in his improvised bedroom in a small room of the ship. She had insisted on taking a few pieces of furniture along on the ship for their travels to remind her of her home. So now she was resting on her sofa. She seemed to be in a deep sleep. She probably needed the rest as this must have been the first time she unleashed her latent powers. Surely she herself hadn't been aware she had them until faced with the imminent danger from the two Kersna. That must have triggered them.

Al was watching her sleep and still wondering what all that implied when she slowly opened her eyes. First thing she said was to ask for a glass of water in the calmest voice possible as if nothing unusual had happened.

- Sure, here you go, Al said handing her a glass of water. Do you remember what happened earlier? But instead of an answer he received a question.
- Are the Kersna dead? Are we safe?
- Yes, both dead. You killed them. Do you remember? He asked again.
- All I remember, she finally answered, is that I didn't want us to die. We couldn't have died. That couldn't have been the end of our journeys when we had just started our journey. Anger and frustration took over me and I remember more than anything that I wanted us to live and explore the galaxy. I wanted to see all that you promised. I think I could have killed an entire Kersna army if that was what it took to save us and go on with our journey. But no... no idea what really happened and how I managed to do what I did. This has never happened before. But then again this, our journey through space and meeting you, my love, has never happened before either so I guess you never know what you can do until you have to do it.
- That was awesome what you did! But it was weird too... as I haven't seen any other humans do that! And he laughed more relaxed now.
- Well I am a human and have lived my entire life among humans but have never seen anyone do what I did. This is really strange. How can you explain this, Al?
- Hmm, he said after a short pause, I think that all humans have these abilities when they are born. They are all born with them but they fade

away as they grow old. And probably in life threatening situations some humans can trigger these abilities to save themselves. This is my explanation. I too have lived among humans for almost a year and studied your race during this time. Humans' brain waves are strong and they are smart but as I said, most of them lose their inborn abilities with age. It's the only explanation I can find. And probably a few others, smarter than the average, can develop these abilities. Maybe we really are more alike than I would have thought. And he leaned over and kissed her.

- I hope our lives won't be in danger or at least not any time soon because that display of abilities as you called them has left me exhausted in a way I never thought was possible.
- No reasons to worry, my love. I am sure that the Kersna won't be sending other scout ships in this part of the galaxy any time soon. Their scout ship is destroyed and before the two Kersna died I read their last thoughts. Their final thoughts were that they had just sent a report to the mother ship that all was dead in this part of the galaxy. After having delivered the message they found Terra and were about to send another message when we attacked them. So we killed them just in time or they would have sent the message and Terra's fate would have been doomed.
- So we were lucky to find them when we did. Terra was lucky, she added thinking of her parents. What did you do with their corpses?
- I dumped them into space. Two specks in the vastness of the cosmos. You don't have to worry about them anymore. And by the way, thanks for saving us!
- Ha-ha, she laughed. If I hadn't done it, you would have probably killed them. But we were in danger, you were in danger, ... I just acted the way I did. I had to make sure they wouldn't hurt you... like I told you, all I could think about was seeing your planet and many more with you by my side. For that to come true, the Kersna had to go. And I guess they did go... into space that is.
- Before going to Valles we will have to go to another planet first, to Obita and see my employer, Nick. I will have to deliver the cargo of water that we took from Earth. As for the other stuff I was supposed to deliver... it was all

lost when I crashed to Earth. But he should be content with the water as I will give him three times more than I was supposed to in order to compensate for the other stuff that I lost. So everything should be OK. After that we can visit Valles, my home.

- Nice, sounds very interesting, Delia said as it really was exciting for her. Everything was new to her and thrilling. Even the encounter with the Kersna.
- So you don't mind our little detour? Al asked to make sure she was OK with it.
- Not at all. Why would I mind? I am in no rush to get anywhere in particular. I just want to explore space with you wherever you will take me. Any place is just as good. So how is this employer of yours?, she asked curious to find out more about Nick. Does he look like us or more like the Kersna or something entirely different?
- Well, Al said after thinking a bit about his answer, Nick is different. He has four arms, two on each side of his body. His two legs have claws instead of nails the way we have. He is a very powerful being. Besides that, he looks pretty normal.
- Oh, wow. Four arms, she repeated. Obita should be interesting. Are all the inhabitants like that?
- No, there are more races than one. And they are all different. But you will see for yourself when we get there. Rest now, he said and placed a soft kiss on her forehead. We should get there by the time you wake up.
- OK Al. I can hardly wait to get there, she said and then she fell back asleep.

## Chapter 3: Obita

On the dawn of the next morning Delia and Al arrived on Obita, Nick's home planet. Before leaving their cargo ship, Al gave Delia a tiny device to put in her ear. It was a translation device. Al had added Delia's language to it too. It mainly translated everything that was being said into the language desired by the user. So basically with that device in her ear she could understand what was being spoken around her by the alien races. Al had also used one such device but now he kept it in a drawer on his ship as in time he had learnt the languages of the main races he was in contact with for business so he didn't really need it anymore. But as for Delia, it was a must have.

Unlike Al's planet, Obita was a luxuriant planet with lots of vegetation. It looked very wild with very high trees and tall plants of all sorts and all colors. They didn't need breathing masks on Obita. Quite the contrary: the air was extremely clean due to the large variety of plants and trees. It was the cleanest air Delia had ever breathed although she came from a mountainous area where the air was cleaner than in the rest of the zones anyway. But the air on Obita was not only clean but also full of flowery smells and scents from all the vegetation and flowers and blossomed trees. It was magnificent although rather wild.

Obita was a very small planet. It was as small as Earth's moon or maybe a little smaller. It was like a small paradise with all that vegetation. But exactly because of all that vegetation there were also many types of insects and animals of all sorts and sizes living there among the leaves, trees and thick blades of grass.

And not all those insects or animals were friendly so to say. Some of them, although tiny, were quite deadly.

Delia was awe struck by the beauty and the wilderness of this place. She was happy and grateful beyond words for having been given the opportunity to see it and to have Al by her side. She had to pinch herself to make sure it wasn't a dream. She couldn't believe that only days ago she was a waitress at the local restaurant. And now she was here on this remote planet with an alien by her side, her future husband. She was in love for the first time. And for the only time as she knew she would spend the rest of her life with him. Her life had turned from ordinary and boring to exciting and thrilling. Every day was a day of wonders for her and a day to be grateful for what she had been given by God.

They had to make their way through the tall grass and plants towards Nick's headquarters. Al had to use his laser gun a few times to cut away the grass and bushes which were so tall that they could hardly advance otherwise. The vegetation was teeming with life. Hardly had Delia thought of all the insects she could see everywhere when she felt something small and hairy crawl on her arm. She looked and saw something black and with a shiny red dot as its head. It had many tiny legs, she didn't count them, and it was hairy and crawling towards her shoulder. She panicked and gave a loud shriek.

- Don't move, she heard Al's voice. But his voice seemed to be coming from so far away even though somewhere in the back of her mind she knew that in fact Al was right by her side.
- Huh? She barely managed to answer when it all went black, as black as the back of the insect crawling on her arm.

Nick's headquarters was a square building of glass and steel and it almost looked like a building from Earth, just a little different in design. Nick was the owner of the building. He owned the trading business and had a few other employees besides Al. It was a two storey building with his office on the upper storey. On the first floor there was something like a tavern where aliens of all races gathered to do business and have a drink and something to eat. Nick himself

did business with many of his customers besides selling them food and water; which by the way, was more expensive than the food.

Nick was at his desk in his office when suddenly the door flung open and Al entered with a young beautiful woman in his arms. She didn't seem well.

- Look what the cat dragged in! Said Nick while looking at the woman in Al's arms. She seemed sound asleep. Come take a seat. Who is this young beauty and what's wrong with her?
- She is my betrothed. She was stung by a black grass spider. She is poisoned and needs help fast. Can you please help her?
- Lore-Dana! Come here baby! Al heard Nick say although he had no idea who he was talking to. Had he been gone for that long that Nick had finally met a woman? He had been a loner all his life. He figured he would find out in a moment.

A slender medium dark haired woman appeared from behind a door on the left of his office. She was quite beautiful. She had dark eyes and a small oval face. She was short and seemed rather skinny than slender. But she was beautiful by any standards. Then when she turned, Al saw something out of the ordinary: she had a pair of wings! He had never seen such a creature before. This reminded him that the Universe was humongous and that there were a lot of mysteries to be discovered.

- Yes Nick, she said in a sweet melodious voice and then she kissed him. They were an odd pair to look at: he was a muscular creature with four huge arms while she was so tiny and frail. But her wings were magnificent! She could fly!
- This is my employee and also an old friend of mine, Nick added, and it seems his future wife needs your healing knowledge. It appears she was stung by the most poisonous spider around, the black one! Help her quick or he might lose her!
- Put her down there, Lore-Dana almost whispered and she pointed towards a comfy sofa in the far corner of the office. I'll be right back! And saying that she spread her transparent wings and flew through an opening in the wall which back on Earth would have been a window. But here it was just that: a plain opening in the wall, no window whatsoever. Though there



were windows on the first floor so Al figured here the openings were left without glass on purpose for Lore-Dana to be able to fly in or out whenever she felt like it.

- Where did she go? Asked Al as she had left so fast; although he had tried reading her mind the moment he saw her, he couldn't. The second person whose mind he couldn't read. It was beginning to annoy him, make him feel less... gifted.
- I don't know, answered Nick, but I am sure she'll be back to save your fiancé. What's the name of this beautiful angel?
- Her name is Delia. She is from Terra. She is my soul mate. I can't lose her, Nick.
- You won't, calm down. I am sure... but he couldn't finish his sentence as Lore-Dana flew back inside through the same opening she had flown out a few minutes earlier. See? Told you. And Nick had a smile on the corner of his lips. He was so proud of his future wife as he was sure she would save poor Delia.

Meanwhile Lore-Dana approached Delia with a dark purple flower in her tiny hands. The flower was fading fast. It was obvious it had just been picked up but it was already withering away.

- Ugh... said Al with irritation in his voice, are you kidding? She is passed out and you brought her a flower? Excuse me, he went on nervously because he felt helpless and didn't know what to do, but I don't think she can smell it right now...
- Hush, Lore-Dana said and put her index finger on Al's lips to make him shut up. Then she went straight to Delia and squeezed the flower on her lips until a tiny droplet of juice fell from it on Delia's lips. Delia instinctively licked it and slowly the color returned to her cheeks. Then she opened her eyes and first thing she saw was Lore-Dana looking down at her. Then she saw her wings.
- Oh... Delia finally said. I died. So this is heaven? She addressed Lore-Dana thinking that she was an angel because she saw her wings. What are you doing here, Al? Did you also die?

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