Animal Boy

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August was born into a somewhat wealthy family, and he’s like any other boy his age except for one thing. August can shapeshift and talk to animals. He doesn’t know why he was born this way, but he’s learned to live with it. He says it’s a pretty cool superpower, and he loves it. No matter how much he gets bullied for talking to animals, he still talks to animals. Of course, people always say “ANIMAL BOY!!” and many other things. He doesn’t let those get to him; he loves his superpower.

 “Good Morning, mother. Good morning father.” August said to his parents as he rushed out the door, “I’m late again!!” He dashes out the door with a piece of toast in his mouth. He got to school, and a group of girls giggled at him. He looked at them with a confused look on his face. “Dog boy, why aren’t you going to eat dog food, huh? Isn’t that your FAVORITE food?” He looked at the girls with a furious look on his face. “Are you gonna bite me, dog boy?!” one of the girls said, and out of anger, August tackled the girl who said that and did bite her. “DUDE, YOU BIT ME!” Everyone backed up from August, he didn’t mean it, and he was genuinely sorry, “S-Sarah- I’m so-” August tried to say to her, but she cut him off and said, “SAVE IT, DOG BOY! I’M TELLING THE PRINCIPLE ON YOU!” she said as she stormed off to the principal's office. As Sarah came back outside where August was standing, she had a massive grin, and then moments later, the principal followed Sarah. “August, come to my office, please.” The principal said while she grabbed August’s wrist and dragged him into her office. “Take a seat, August.” He sat and tried to say, “I’m sorry I didn't-'' He looked down, tears swelled in his eyes, and his voice became high-pitched and shaky. He didn’t want the principal to see him crying, but he couldn’t help himself and kept bawling. The principal wasn’t very understanding and told him it was an excuse, that he shouldn’t be crying over something so little, and that biting someone is unacceptable. “Your punishment will be detention after school, young man, and you must write Sarah an apology letter.” August nodded and left the principal’s office. He walked to class and sat down. The whole day was boring as August was just thinking about his detention and what would happen when his parents found out. The end of the day flew by like nothing. August walked into the detention room. “Take a seat, August.” said the teacher monitoring the classroom. August took a seat and began writing his apology letter and heard someone say “Pssst..” but ignored it thinking the person was talking to someone else but heard it again, “Pssst, August!” The person sitting beside him said, and August quickly turned over and said, “Me?” and pointed at himself. “Yes, you, obviously.” the boy said. “You’re that animal boy, aren't you?” August looked at the boy weirdly and nodded, “Uhm. Yeah, I am. Why? You’re just going to bully me. I already know this.” August said and then looked back at his apology letter. “August!” The boy whisper-yelled again. “What do you want, dude? We’re going to get in trouble and get even more detention!” August said. “So? I wanted to tell you that your power is cool, and I like it.” August smiled, “Thank you.” he said, “Yeah, of course.” The boy said as he slipped a note onto the desk. August opened the note, and it read, “Sai, text me later, August!” And it also had numbers below it that looked like a phone numbers. August was shocked that someone liked him and thought his power was cool. Detention was then dismissed, and the only thing on August’s mind was Sai, “What a beautiful boy like Sai to like such a strange boy like me.” August said to himself while looking at the note Sai gave to him. He got home, went straight to his room, grabbed his phone, and texted Sai's number. “Hi, is this Sai?” August texted. He waited for about an hour for a text back. “Hi, August. Yes, this is Sai. Would you like to call for a bit, August?” August responded almost immediately. “Yes, sure, but I must go soon to eat dinner.” They called for five minutes, and then Sai was about to say something, “Hey August, would you like to” Before Sai could finish, August’s parents came into the room, and August immediately hung up the phone but deeply regretted it. He kept thinking about what Sai would say to him while eating. He finished eating and ran upstairs to his room to call Sai back. “I’m sorry, Sai, my mother came into the room to tell me to eat dinner.” Sai forgave him and then said, “As I was saying, how would you like to go hang out with me tomorrow?” August wanted to but thought it was a trick or something and said, “Maybe. What will we be doing?” Sai thought for a moment, “Mmm, maybe we can go roller skating and then get slushies and watch a movie together? Would you like that, August? August did want to do that but still thought it was a trick because again, “why would a beautiful boy like Sai like someone like me?” he thought to himself. August said, “Sure, I would love to go roller skating and watch a movie with you.” He said to Sai. “Great, meet me at the school tomorrow at ten, so we both know where to go without getting lost.” Sai said goodbye to August and hung up the phone. August went to sleep because he had a big day tomorrow. He lay in bed and thought, “Do I like Sai? No. I’m not gay. Well, I can't say that I never even became close to a boy or considered dating one. But Sai could be straight. I don’t know” August frowned, then turned and closed his eyes. Morning came, and he woke up and immediately took a shower. He then Styled his hair and put on a very nice outfit. “I really hope Sai doesn’t think I look stupid.” August said to himself as he walked out the door. He got to the school, and it was already 10:15, “Where is Sai? I knew it. It was a prank, and Sai didn’t like me at all.” He walked home but heard someone running behind him. “WHERE ARE YOU GOING, AUGUST!!” He looked behind him, and to his surprise, it was Sai! Sai was gasping for air because he had just run two miles to get to the school. “I’m sorry, August. I woke up late.” August forgave Sai, but he was just admiring his beautiful long, fluffy hair, sparkling brown eyes, and everything about him. “Sooo, August, Would you like to go to the roller skating rink now?” August nodded and followed Sai. They went to the roller skating rink and then the movies and had the best time of their lives. They were sitting on the top of the hill, looking at the moon. Sai moved his hand closer to August’s and placed it on his hand. August looked at Sai and started blushing. “I have to tell you,” They both said at the same time. “Let's say it at the same time, August.” Said, Sai. “Okay. 3… 2… 1…” “I think I like you, Sai.” August Said while Sai said, “I’m moving countries tomorrow. August, I’m in love with you, but we cannot be together; I’m sorry.” August’s heart dropped. “W..what?.” He said, “I’m sorry, August. Maybe someday we will meet again. I love you, August.” Sai said with tears in his eyes. “I love you too, Sai.” August hugged Sai so tight. “I will never forget you, Sai.”