

TOUCH

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EXT. MONUMENT STEPS - EVENING

YUKI (early 20s, very pale) sits on the steps of a monument in a park.

Sitting next to her is HUGH (20s), they are laughing at a shared joke.

Hugh leans in to Yuki, brushing a hair from her eyes. They lean into each other slowly before they finally kiss.

His eyes suddenly go wide and all the colour drains from his skin. Yuki leans back, confused. Hugh's eyes and skin are covered in a layer of ice, he is frozen solid.

Yuki jumps back, aghast, knocking Hugh backwards. His stiff, frozen body topples backwards onto the stone stairs.

He SMASHES to pieces.

INT. YUKI'S CABIN - MORNING

Yuki wakes suddenly from the memory. She sits up. Her bed is in a small cabin sparsely furnished with bookshelves and a small desk computer.

She takes a glass of water from her bedside table. It immediately clouds with frost. She takes a drink and crunches the shards of ice that have formed in the water.

LATER

Yuki, dressed in shorts and a t-shirt, ties her pale blueish hair up into a ponytail. She opens the door and leaves.

EXT. YUKI'S CABIN

Yuki jogs casually out into the ARCTIC TUNDRA, checks her watch and jogs off, unaffected by the cold.

INT. YUKI'S CABIN - LATER

Yuki arrives home from her jog. She checks her watch again before drinking from a bottle of water, unfortunately the water in the bottle has frozen.

The computer in the corner DINGS.

She goes over to it and looks at the screen. She smiles as she sees that the email is from an Aiden Quidel.

She opens the email and starts reading. Her smile dips a little at the corners... Then her brow furrows... By the end of the email she looks concerned.

We see flashes of the email: Dearest Yuki... speaking for so long... to finally meet... deliver the gift in person...

She looks at that last part: ...IN PERSON.

Yuki closes the email and sits for a moment thinking. She looks excited and worried.

She jumps up and flings open the wardrobe. She pulls a heavy woolen coat from the wardrobe and throws it over her shoulders.

She digs through a box on the floor until she finds a full-faced ski mask and a pair of goggles.

She pulls out various drawers until she finds some heavy wool gloves and a scarf.

LATER

She stands dressed from head to toe in heavy wool, she is completely covered.

EXT. YUKI'S CABIN

A hand wearing a strange red glove presses the doorbell.

Yuki opens the door in her woolly armour.

We finally get a look at AIDEN, or rather we would if he wasn't wearing a full bright red fire-retardant suit and a helmet with a mirrored visor.

He tilts his head and looks at Yuki. She slowly takes her rubber goggles off and drops them on the ground. They smash as if they were made of glass.

A muffled laugh can be heard from inside Aiden's helmet.

He undoes a seal on his helmet and lifts it off. He is in his early twenties, tanned and his red hair is aflame. As he laughs his eyes flash gold. Steam is constantly rising from his skin

Yuki takes off her scarf and mask and looks at Aiden. She takes off a glove and he takes off his.

They touch. Their fingers make a sizzling hissing sound but they feel no pain.

They smile at each other.