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*During the season, your Thule student Thaela continues to learn well, proving a talented Summer magician. And though she and some other students still sometimes find reasons to lash out against one another, their mutual contempt has settled into a pattern: something more like vicious rivalry than open warfare.*

*After the horrified response she received to her ritual at the Autumn Equinox, she's been paying close attention to other ritualists and formulating her own rituals – though she won't let anyone but her tutor, Deepborn Tark, see her notes.*

*As she learns more about Imperial Orc culture, her respect for it grows. She remains defiant about the greatness of the Thule (she hasn't run out of monologues about her grandfather, Skao the Impaler, who crushed the life from a General of Varushka with his bare hands on the field of Skarsind, etc., etc...), but seems to be accepting the possibility that people who aren't Thule might be worthy of respect. Provided they're ambitious, and preferably magicians.*

*This seems to represent a shift. She's listening to people. Something that someone said at Anvil has struck home; now this Dragon-revering Thule girl is listening to people talk about the Way of Virtue... especially the Way of Ambition.*

*Toward the end of the season, you receive word from a visiting merchant that her father Reki wants to meet with you to discuss her education, and that because he has other business, he'll be heading to Anvil. Reki is a Thule trader often seen in the northernmost reaches of Skarsind and Miekarova, but he hasn't visited in all the time Thaela has been at your College – and the girl seems worried about something.*