**Maru’s Quest**

**Chapter 1 – Village**

Maru wakes up in a burning village.

He remembers nothing but his name.

He sees a partially burnt photograph of himself smiling.

Looking around he realizes the background of the photograph is the burning village.

Maru has vague flashbacks of a happier time.

He sees a flag with a symbol on it.

Maru escapes the burning village.

**Chapter 2 – Town**

Maru stumbles into town and faints from exhaustion

Kaku takes him in and nurses him back to health

Maru asks about the symbol and finds out from Kaku it is the mark of the evil emperor Shapeler.

Maru finds out that Shapeler has had several villages destroyed recently, and thinks that the village he was in suffered the same fate.

Just then, they here a commotion outside.

The emperor’s officer has come to claim the town’s prisoners.

But as none of the prisoners have been heard from, crime has stopped entirely, and no one has been jailed.

The officer then demands normal people be taken instead.

After they are dragged away, Kaku joins Maru to rescue them.

After a successful rescue, Maru decides to overthrow Shapeler, Kaku agrees to join him.

**Chapter 3 – Internment Camp**

Maru heard from one of the prisoners that some of the Townspeople had already been taken to an internment camp.

Maru decides to go rescue them first.

The camp turns out to be a massive experimental site to turn round shapes into edged ones

Along the way they hear about a perfect experiment.

It is revealed that they have more success with hybrids than completely round shapes.

Maru meets Kone and they join up to free the prisoners

Upon defeating the final boss of the chapter, they joke that the perfect experiment was easier than expected.

**Chapter 4 – Castle**

Maru makes his way through Shapeler’s Castle

After a brief fight with Shapeler, Shapeler unleashes his full power and nearly kills Maru and friends.

Maru courageously tries to fight and transforms into a hybrid.

Upon defeating Shapeler, Shapeler reveals to Maru the Truth.

Truth: Maru was a hybrid all along, and his father is Shapeler. The village Maru was in was destroyed by Maru. The photograph was photoshopped. Maru was the perfect experiment from the internment camp.

When Shapeler dies, he released purple smoke that Maru breathed in.

Maru declares himself the son of Shapeler and the new Emperor.

Kaku tries to stop Maru, asking him to return to his friends.

“My friends… Right. My friends…” Maru whispers as he reaches out to take Kaku’s hand.

Suddenly Maru swiftly executes Kaku, and bellows, “My friends are traitors to my new empire.”

**The End**