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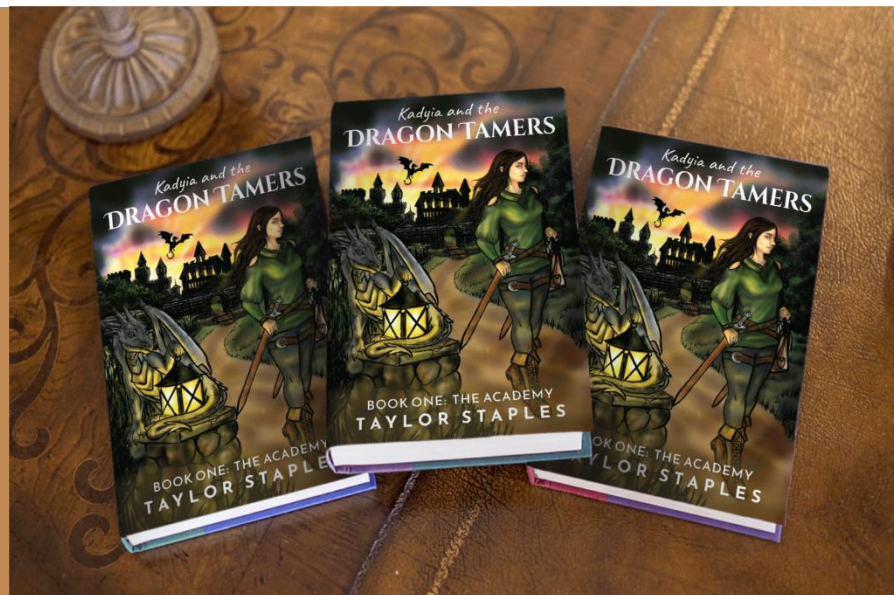
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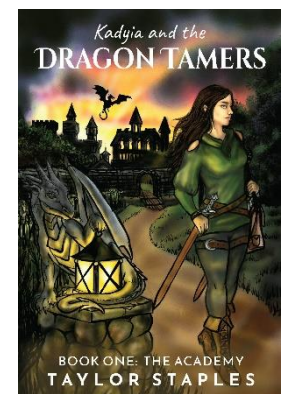
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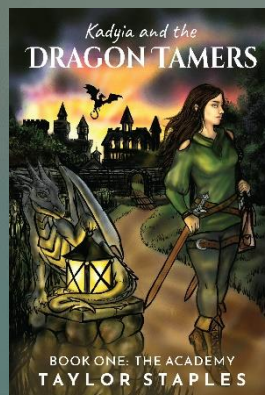
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EXCERPT FROM
KADYIA AND THE DRAGON TAMERS
BOOK ONE: THE ACADEMY
BY TAYLOR STAPLES

I only had three years left. My goal hinged on these last three years working out for me. And it was no small feat—I had been dreaming about it since before I had conscious memory. Of course, everyone here shared the same dream. After all, becoming a Dragon Tamer and protecting the world was the very basis of the Academy.

We were all waiting for the cafeteria doors to open so we could be herded into the tiny room that could barely hold the thousand students, give or take. Sure, the Academy was large, not that that was surprising. It had to house so many students and faculty, and its grounds contained everything it needed to be completely self-sustaining, including the acreage that was used for the two-week Simulation exam that was to be held for the fourth years. Students and faculty were housed here for the duration of the school year—even year-round if the students lived too far from the Academy, as I did. However, a lot of the land and the homes we were currently living in had all been added rather recently. When the Academy had first been built, it had really only been the castle, which still held the majority of the classes. The current faculty refused to tear it down for sentimental reasons, though the walls that had gone around it had long since been torn down and rebuilt in order to expand enough to hold the growing pool of Potentials: it had gone from one hundred students when it had started to now almost a thousand. And it only took about three hundred years or so—a pretty drastic change if I had anything to say about it.





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