Kung Fu Panda Lesson8

Character List

Po Shifu Tai Lung

Tigress

Miscellaneous (Crane, Monkey, Viper, Mantis)

EXTERIOR. MOUNTAINS – DAWN Shifu leads Po through the mountains.

PO: I know you're trying to be all <u>mystical</u> and kung fu-y, but could you at least tell me where we're going?

Shifu just continues walking.

EXTERIOR. MOUNTAINS - LATER

Shifu is sitting beneath a tree. <u>Winded</u> and <u>wheezing</u>, Po slowly works his way up the hill. Po sets his <u>gear</u> down and looks around. Shifu breathes in the morning mist as Po approaches.

PO: You dragged me all the way out here for a bath?!

Po begins to pat his armpits with water.

SHIFU: Panda, we do not wash our pits in The Pool of Sacred Tears.

Po quickly stops. Realizing.

PO: (in awe) The pool of...

SHI FU: This is where Oogway <u>unraveled</u> the mysteries of <u>harmony</u> and <u>focus</u>. This is the birthplace of Kung Fu.

The camera cranes up to reveal they are standing on rock shapes that resemble a yin yang symbol. As the camera pulls further out, it pulls back through a vision of Oogway doing Kung Fu moves. FLASH FRAME -- Shifu leaps atop one of the rocks and looks down at Po.

SHIFU: Do you want to learn Kung Fu?

PO: (awestruck) Yeah...

SHIFU: Then I am your master!

PO: Okay!

Tears of joy well up in Po's eyes.

SHIFU: Don't cry.

PO: Okay.

Po sniffs the tears back and smiles.

EXTERIOR. FIELD - LATER

Shifu leads Po out into an open field.

SHIFU: When you focus on Kung Fu, when you concentrate...you stink.

Po scowls.

SHIFU: But perhaps that is my fault. I cannot train you the way I have trained the Five. I now see that the way to get through to you is with this!

Shifu produces a bowl of dumplings.

PO: Oh great, `cause I'm hungry.

SHIFU: Good. When you have been trained, you may eat. Let us begin.

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Po's training unfolds -- deep breathing exercises, balance tests, pushups, sit ups, climbing, etc. Through it all, he never gets to eat, although he does indeed learn kung 70^C fu.

EXTERIOR. CLEARING - A MOMENT LATER Shifu sets a bowl of dumplings on a boulder.

SHIFU: After you, panda.

Po stops short, suspicious.

PO: Just like that? No situps? No ten mile hike?

SHIFU: I vowed to train you... and you have been trained. You are free to eat.

Po grabs one of the dumplings in his chopsticks.

SHIFU: Enjoy.

Po raises the dumpling to his mouth. WHOOSH! Shifu snatches the dumpling away and eats it himself.

PO: Hey!

SHIFU: I said you are free to eat. Have a dumpling.

Po reaches again as Shifu leaps across the table and kicks the dumpling into the air.

PO: Hey!

Shifu eats it and Po scowls.

SHIFU: You are free to eat!

PO: (upset) Am I?

SHIFU: (challenging) Are you?!

Po and Shifu ready their chopsticks. Po slams the table and sends the bowl of dumplings airborne. Back and forth, Po and Shifu spar, vying for the dumplings. Until there is only one left.

Shifu tries every trick to keep the dumpling away from Po. He hides it underneath one of the bowls. He uses his chopsticks as weapons to smack Po's chopsticks away. He attacks Po with his bamboo staff.

But Po skillfully manages to best Shifu for the final dumpling. Shifu smiles. Po has passed the final test. But then Po tosses the dumpling into Shifu's open hand.

PO: I'm not hungry... master.

Master and pupil bow to each other.

EXTERIOR. MOUNTAIN PASS

The Five race toward a rope bridge <u>stretched</u> between mountain peaks. Tai Lung appears at the other end of the bridge. He ROARS and races toward them.

TIGRESS: Cut it!

The others slash at the ropes <u>securing</u> the bridge to the mountain. Tai Lung is almost upon them when Tigress cuts the final rope. But Tai Lung is too close -- Tigress must <u>launch</u> herself into him. The two cats end up in the middle of the bridge just as it starts to tumble into the canyon below. The Five grab support ropes and hold on for dear life.

TAI LUNG: Where's the Dragon Warrior?

TIGRESS: How do you know you're not looking at her?

Tai Lung laughs. It echoes off the mountain walls,

TAI LUNG: You think I'm a fool? I know you're not the Dragon Warrior. None of you!

The Five <u>exchange</u> quick, worried looks.

TAI LUNG: (nodding confidently) I heard how he fell out of the sky on a ball of fire, that he's a warrior unlike anything the world has ever seen.

The Five exchange quick, confused looks.

MONKEY: Po?

TAI LUNG: So that is his name -- Po. Finally, a worthy opponent. Our battle will be

legendary!

Tigress charges at him. The battle begins. Tigress punches Tai Lung as he hangs from the bridge. But Tai Lung <u>counters</u> with a <u>maneuver</u> that sends Tigress slamming backwards through the bridge's wooden slats. Then Tigress gets choked by the bridge's ropes. Monkey turns to Crane and Viper.

MONKEY: We've got this. Help her!

Viper grabs Tai Lung, which causes him to let go of the ropes. Tigress <u>plummets</u> down into the gorge... but Crane manages to catch her. Viper punches Tai Lung repeatedly with his own fist. Tai Lung manages to get a paw around Viper's "throat".

VIPER: Monkey!

ANGLE ON MANTIS AND MONKEY. Mantis is straining to hold the rope by himself.

MANTIS: Go! (then) Ack! What was I thinking?!

Monkey leaps into action, kicking Tai Lung in the chest and sending him crashing through the slats of the bridge. He gets back to his feet and starts running back to them on a single <u>strand</u> of rope.

TIGRESS: Mantis!

Mantis whips his end of the rope, sending a sine wave shooting toward Tai Lung. The rope whips Tai Lung in the face and he gets tangled up. The Five see their chance.

TIGRESS: Now!

Working as a team, the Five kick Tai Lung's butt every which way. Tigress finally slashes the last rope holding up Tai Lung. He plummets down... down... disappearing into the mist. Mantis whips his end of the rope, returning his buddies safely to the mountain.

The Five look relieved. But the relief is short-lived... Tigress notices that the other end of the bridge is circling the far mountain peak. Her eyes go wide with <u>dread</u>. The rope whips up. But Tai Lung isn't there. With a crash, he suddenly appears behind the Five.

TAI LUNG: Shifu taught you well...

Tai Lung jabs a finger at Monkey, who instantly <u>freezes</u>.

TAI LUNG: But he didn't teach you everything.

Tai lung lunges toward the rest.

EXTERIOR. TRAINING HALL - EVENING

Shifu and Po walk through the palace <u>courtyard</u>. Po has an easy spring in his step.

SHIFU: You have done well, Panda.

PO: Done well? Done well?! I've done awesome!

He swings his belly around and knocks Shifu off balance. Shifu <u>staggers</u> back, regaining his dignity.

SHIFU: The mark of a true hero is <u>humility!</u>

After a moment's thought, though, he leans toward Po -

SHIFU: But yes...you have done awesome.

And he punches him playfully on the arm. Po smiles at him. As they LAUGH, an indistinct figure appears in the clouds behind them. IT'S CRANE! Crane carries the five to the palace grounds, crashing in a heap.

PO: Huh? Guys? Guys!

Po throws his backpack aside and runs over to them.

PO: They're dead? No, they're breathing! They're asleep?! No, their eyes are open.

Crane struggles to lift his head.

CRANE: We were no match for his nerve attack.

His head collapses to the ground.

SHIFU: He has gotten stronger. PO: Who? Tai Lung? Stronger?

Shifu starts freeing the Five. First Viper, then Mantis, then Monkey releases suddenly from his <u>paralysis</u> –

MONKEY: He's too fast!

He delivers a Kung Fu punch to Po's head and then slowly realizes where he is.

MONKEY: Sorry, Po.

Shifu kneels before Tigress and works to free her.

TIGRESS: I thought we could stop him.

SHIFU: He could have killed you.

MANTIS: Why didn't he?

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SHIFU: So you could come back here and strike fear into our hearts. But it won't

work!

PO: Uh, it might, I mean, a little. I'm pretty scared.

SHIFU: You can defeat him, panda.

PO: Are you kidding? If they can't-- They're five masters. I'm just one me.

SHIFU: But you will have the one thing that no one else does.

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Vocabulary

mystical-神秘的な	winded-息をきらした	wheezing-ぜいぜい息をする
gear-機器、歯車	sacred-神聖な	unraveled-ほどいて
harmony-調和	focus-焦点	concentrate- 集中させる
boulder-大岩	suspicious-疑わしい	stretched-ストレッチ
securing-安全な	launched-立ち上げ	exchange-交換
counters-カウンター		p <mark>lummets-急落</mark>
strand-ストランド	dread-~をひどく怖がらせる	
courtyard-中庭	staggers-よろめき	humility-謙虚
paralysis-麻痺	kidding- <mark>冗談</mark>	

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- What is the Pool of Sacred Tears?
 It is where Oogway unlocked the secrets of kung fu.
- What does Shifu use to train Po? He uses dumplings to train Po.
- 3) What was Po's final test?
 His final test was to eat the dumplings while Shifu was trying to stop him.
- 4) Where did the Furious Five fight Tai Lung?
 The fought Tai Lung on a rope bridge between two mountain peaks.
- 5) What had Tai Lung heard about the Dragon Warrior?

 He heard that he had fallen out of the sky on a fireball and was a warrior like no other.
- 6) Who do you think won the battle between Tai Lung and the Furious Five? Tai Lung won the battle.
- 7) Why did Tai Lung let the Furious Five go?
 He wanted them to return to strike fear into their hearts.