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## MYR

An accident maroons humans on a planet close to the galactic core – a planet that the insectoid Wyrms use for breeding. The two species clash but forge a peace treaty through the actions of a telepathic girl who becomes the first Mediator.

Several hundred years pass. The humans adapt and the population grows. Following the accidental death of the Mediator, the village council tear fourteen-year-old Myr from her abusive family to face selection by the Wyrms. She survives, but witnesses selection kill the other candidates in mental agony. Thrown into the role of Mediator with no understanding of the role, she must rely for guidance on the humans around her – and Velto, her telepathic Wyrms partner.

Then it becomes clear someone murdered her predecessor and manipulative plots swirl around her and Velto.

Myr making such friends as she can. She hides her ability to ‘hear’ more Wyrms than Velto and discovers she can ‘hear’ some humans, too. Somehow, she holds the Treaty together against the machinations of the varied factions of humans and Wyrms.

But can she stop the violence when it explodes?

The human expansionists seek access to the Wyrms’ northern continent; the conservatives insist on the status quo, scared of a return to war with the Wyrms. Amongst the Wyrms, a faction seeks the removal of all humans from their planet, but others seek to extend the level of human interaction.