

Beyond Control

Logline:

When a reluctant secret service agent must lead a batch of spies on a daring mission to uncover the cause of unusual natural disasters, she must confront an ancient evil.

Characters:

Bailey

- Bailey Jayce is a 26-year-old woman, with piercing blue eyes and a signature dog paw tattoo on her arm. Due to her tough childhood and losing her best friend, Bailey now is fiercely independent and one of the best agents in the industry.

Kenji

- Kenji is a mysterious being who is thousands of years old. After growing up with his loving family, his heart turned cold after a chilling incident that wiped out all of his loved ones. He has spent years dedicating his work to revenge.

Logan

- Logan is a 32-year-old woman who is short with a boisterous personality. You can always find her in the middle of the action and speaking up for her loved ones. Logan is usually the voice of the trio.

Hunter

- Hunter is a tall, quiet 25-year-old man. He is often the muscle of the mission and keeps Logan and Grayson out of trouble.

Grayson

- Grayson is a 28-year-old man who is extremely intelligent. He is very tech-savvy and you can always find him behind the computer or building a new device. Grayson likes to hang out behind the scenes reading and researching.

Overview:

Act 1

- Bailey is introduced
- Mission gets assigned and Bailey learns that she has to work with Logan, Grayson, and Hunter

- Bailey is unsure about working with others and is also confused about why they are pursuing that mission
- When she brings up her thoughts to her boss her job is threatened

Act 2

- The big journey of leaving the island begins
- The group comes across a natural disaster and they have some arguments
- They start to realize that natural disasters may be caused by someone else (Kenji)
- Kenji is introduced
- A big battle begins with Kenji and causes Grayson to go missing at sea
- The team gets into a big fight because they just lost someone

Act 3

- Logan and Hunter go off to fight Kenji without Bailey
- Bailey sucks it up and goes to help them because she knows they can't do it alone
- They beat Kenji at the last moment and the machine gets disabled

Detailed Description:

Act 1

Bailey sits at her cluttered desk, surrounded by different weapons and shelves full of important and classified documents. She is fiercely independent and has worked her way up from nothing to one of the best agents in her company. From her office, she can see the main meeting area, where there is a constant flow of spies in and out of the building and meeting rooms. Some run around with wires trailing behind them as they rush to find an open testing room, while some of the agents come in filthy and worn out from their most recent missions. Along the main room, there are smaller offices where you can see other agents work on the most recent cases, from sorting through files or running tests on unknown vials, there was never a quiet moment in the office. As Bailey sorts through files from her most recent case, she hears her computer ding. She walks over and sees a new assignment awaiting her.

Her assignment describes how she must investigate a strange phenomenon. There have been rumors of intense floods and storms from faraway islands. As Bailey reads more into her mission she realizes that she is not assigned this alone. She must work with Logan, Grayson, and Hunter, a very successful trio in the industry. However, Bailey is against working with others, as she feels as if it is her fault for her best friend's death many years ago.

She goes to meet with her boss right away and shares her concerns about this mission. Her boss explains how tech-savvy Grayson is, as well as how hard-working the rest of the team is. Bailey brings up how natural disasters this extreme hasn't happened in hundreds of years. Her boss shares how Logan and Hunter are also weary about the mission as well. After one final attempt of trying to work alone, her boss rejects her proposition and threatens her job if she continues to avoid working with others. Deep down Bailey knows her boss is right but is afraid of hurting others again.

In her office, Bailey begins to gather her belongings, a bit defeated by the conversation she had with her boss. She sits behind her computer to send out some last-minute emails and feels as if someone is in the room with her. Bailey peeks over her computer and sees nothing but a few papers that have fallen on the floor off of her tall "to-do" pile. Confused, she walks over and picks it up while looking outside of her office, everything seems to be fine outside. Bailey peers out of the room and sees someone standing in the entranceway staring up at her. As she takes another step forward, they seem to have vanished.

Shaking her head, she turns back around and heads into her office, convinced she's seeing things. In the back of her head, she thinks about the person she just saw, wondering where she has seen those eyes before.

Act 2

After gathering her things, Bailey heads over to the dock. She walks down the long and gloomy office hallway, thinking about the last time she worked with someone. Before she had the chance to think about the possible setbacks of the mission, Bailey made it to the dock, where the rest of the crew awaits.

The cold wind and dark sky seemed to match Bailey's feelings for this trip, but Logan's outgoing energy helped bring her back to reality.

Quick introductions and exchanges were made, and Grayson and Hunter lowered the ladder to begin loading the boat. The large boat gave lots of room for the team's nervous energy to bounce around. It is everyone's first time leaving the island, as the next island is many miles away. As the big journey begins, Bailey finds herself in many little arguments with the others. Tired from arguing and from the voyage, they slowly see new land come into view. As they get ready to dock, a whirlpool rapidly appears, capturing the boat. Everyone shouts and scrambles to stay on the boat. Logan grabs the helm and struggles to lead them away from the whirlpool. Catching their breath, Grayson shares some of the research he dug up before the mission. The natural disasters that happened hundreds of years ago were much duller than what they just experienced. The team agrees that there must be someone behind it all, and to be prepared for how powerful they may be.

When they arrive at the island they decide to split off into two groups: Logan and Grayson and Bailey and Hunter. Hunter is the quietest in the group, and Bailey surprisingly finds herself enjoying his company. They exchange brief but meaningful thoughts about the mission as they wander into town. They come across a marketplace, exploding with new colors and smells. Intrigued, they approach the market, and heads turn to look at the newcomers. A nervous fruit vendor shares how these disasters have been going on for weeks, and how some have seen a figure during the disasters. As Hunter takes out a notepad to jot down some more information, Bailey looks around and spots a figure in a black hoodie watching them in the distance. She slowly starts to move away from Hunter to approach them. They make eye contact and the figure swiftly moves away. A light tap on her shoulder from Hunter brings her back to reality. Is she seeing things?

The team regroups at the boat, Bailey excitedly shares the new information. She catches herself smiling and turns away, embarrassed with how much she enjoyed telling the group her and Hunter's new findings. She considers bringing up the figure she saw earlier but decides not to bring up any possible delusions. They have to stay focused. Hunter and Bailey listen to Logan and Grayson's notes and try to formulate a plan for what comes next. As they do, they look up and see it drizzling. As it rains harder and harder, they feel the waves start to whip the boat around. Bailey and Logan both shout different instructions, leaving Hunter and Grayson scrambling, confused about which orders to follow. They continue to butt heads until they hear a shout from Hunter. Surprised, they stopped and saw

what he was shouting. They look around and see that Grayson has gone missing.

Bailey races to the helm to drag the boat to safety, as Logan and Hunter look over the sides, desperately trying to find their friend. As the rain settles Bailey drops to the ground, horrified to repeat her past. She feels guilt build up, feeling responsible for yet another loss, and now she has to face her team losing one of their closest friends.

Defeated and overwhelmed, Logan walks away from the edge of the boat. She sees a notebook lying on the docks drenched in water. She grabs a tool to help dry the notebook and starts to flip through the pages. Hunter and Bailey come over to her as she does this. Angry, Logan picks up the notebook and goes inside, Hunter follows.

Everyone collects their belongings and began to leave the boat, unsure if it is safe to stay the night at sea anymore. Bailey trails behind Logan and Hunter, who are still infuriated with her.

After silently setting up camp, they go to bed, jumping at every little noise they hear. When Bailey awakes she finds Hunter and Logan gone. She scrambles looking around camp for anything and finds the notebook Logan found yesterday on the boat.

She learns about Kenji, an ancient being whose people lived in the area long ago. Kenji is thousands of years old and used to live on a land much larger than what is known today, it was called Fairlight. He grew up with a very big and loving family until one day a massive tsunami wiped out his kind. Seeing new people take to his old home made his heart turn sour, and he now seeks vengeance. He has spent years working on and perfecting a machine that will create natural disasters and eventually wipe out civilizations as they did to him. There is an in-depth plan of what Kenji plans to do with the machine and a new location where it will take place.

Bailey gasps, realizing that the figure she saw was real, and must be this ancient being keeping an eye on them to gather information. Knowing they can't face him alone and sets off to go find and help them. Logan and Hunter find Kenji working on his machine and attack him. As Kenji's machine powers up, Logan and Hunter's weapons get knocked aside. As they struggle to get up and grab their weapons while avoiding Kenji, Bailey sneaks up from behind and wounds Kenji.

In this moment of weakness Logan and Hunter regain their strength and grab their weapons that were tossed aside earlier. Bailey hurries over to the machine, which has been becoming stronger. She hears a low ticking sound and frantically tries to figure out how to disable the machine. As she tears off the front of the machine she realizes she doesn't stand a chance against the mess of wires. Bailey continues to struggle with the machine, her head filling with doubt. Grayson would have known how to work through the wires.

Hunter notices Bailey struggling and rushes over, hands her his weapon, and starts untangling the wires. Grateful, Bailey joins Logan in battle to stop Kenji. The girls clash and struggle to keep Kenji distracted from the machine, slipping and sliding around from the water slowly seeping into their clothes. Bailey and Logan are finally able to pin Kenji down while Hunter cuts the last wire right before the timer goes off. The storm comes to a stop.

Act 3

Catching their breath, Logan puts Kenji into custody and slowly makes their way back to the boat. Everyone is covered in blood and exhausted. On the boat, they put Kenji in the holding cell as they begin their journey home. Luckily, Grayson made sure to take extra precautions while loading the ship and made sure the cell was lined with a special metal that would dampen any powers of whatever they came across. Hunter and Logan thank Bailey for going after them, and she realizes that she finally has made some friends. The three share a smile and begin to clean themselves up as they sail into the sunset.

Bailey separates from Logan and Hunter and walks to the bow of the ship. She looks into the sunset and lets out a little sob. Now that the job is done, she allows herself to mourn the loss of her friend and drowns herself in guilt for the loss of Grayson. She glances back at Hunter and Logan and sees them laughing and beginning to prepare dinner.

She joins them, sniffing and sore from everything that happened. Logan gives her a quick side hug as Hunter gives her a comforting glance. As if Logan can read her mind, she reminds Bailey of how difficult their job is, and how sometimes you lose people during these types of missions. Bailey looks up and sees how her new friends don't blame her for Grayson.

As they eat dinner, Bailey listens to them share stories about Grayson. They laugh and cry, and it helps her feel closer to Grayson. Logan and Hunter head to bed as Bailey cleans up, and she smiles knowing how delighted her boss will be with how the mission turned out.