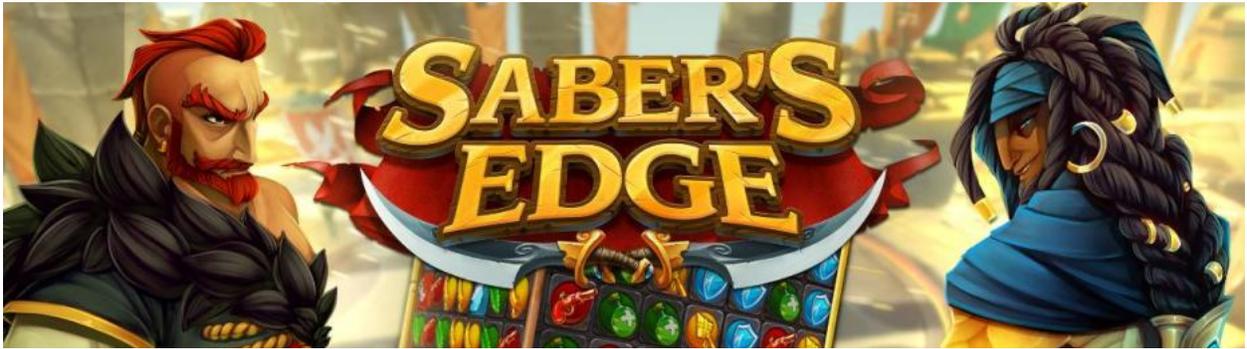


The world known as SABER'S EDGE — a vast sky dotted with floating islands. Traversed by five distinct nations. And plagued by pirates who strike with the speed of vipers from their sky-ships.



When the story opens, one such pirate crew — Captain Eliot, First Officer Jane, and Chief Gunner Viktor — have just encountered a hostile scouting party...

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #1 - START

SCOUT

Arrêtez! You trespass on Thunder
Horde Land! Retreat now, or we will
be forced to attack!

JANE

Couldn't have waited till dark and
sneaked in... no, just to rush in
in broad daylight...

ELIOT

Let's save the recriminations for
later, yes? We've got a fight to
win!

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #1 - END

JANE

Eliot! I found part of a letter
from Deena on that Scout -
addressed to you!

ELIOT

A letter from your sister? Why
would a Thunder Horde scout have
it?

JANE

I don't know! But look - it's her
handwriting. "Eliot, you need to
get here fast..."

ELIOT

"...if they find me, they'll kill
me." That's it? There's nothing
more?

JANE

Nothing! The letter's torn, that's
all there is!

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #2

JANE

We've got to find the rest of this
letter! We've got to figure out
where my sister is!

ELIOT

Jane, when Deena left, she said,
"Don't try to stop me, and don't
come after me, no matter what."

JANE

You're not - you're not saying you
won't help her, are you?

ELIOT

No! I'm saying, if she's desperate
enough to write to me? We've got to
help her. She needs us!

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #3

VIKTOR

Eliot. Deena left you with broken
heart. Do not get hopes up, *da*?

ELIOT

You're a real ray of sunshine,
Viktor. And never mind my heart.
This is only about helping Deena.

JANE

So - a Thunder Horde scout had that
scrap of her letter.

ELIOT

Right. Let's start asking
questions.

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #4 - START

ELIOT (CONT'D)

One of your scouts had part of a
letter, addressed to me.

BEASTMASTER

So? What concern of mine is that?

ELIOT

You're about to find out.

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #4 - END

BEASTMASTER

Attendez! Do not hurt me! I know of
this letter! Just... do not give me
to Admiral Flint!

ELIOT

Flint? What's the leader of the King's Order got to do with this?

BEASTMASTER

Just do not let her have me! I beg of you!

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #5

BEASTMASTER (CONT'D)

Écoutez... the man you seek, the courier. He fell into Thunder Horde hands - but only after he escaped from the King's Order! One of their officers held him!

ELIOT

So that officer might have the rest of the letter. Where can we locate him?

BEASTMASTER

If I help you find him, will you release me?

ELIOT

Point us to the officer. Then we'll talk.

CHAPTER 1 - ENCOUNTER #6

ELIOT (CONT'D)

What legend was Deena chasing after this time?

JANE

I think she was going to look for a shard of the Lightstone.

VIKTOR

Lightstone? Ha! Soul stone as big as house? Is myth! Is fairy tale!

ELIOT

Probably. But if she actually found it... with that kind of power, she could rule all of Saber's Edge.