

## Sen So Story



The following is the story and background for the renowned twin brothers Sen and So Yukatori.

Sen is known as "The White". This is due to his dedication, commitment, and general good nature. Sen has black hair and is always seen dressed in white.

So is known as "The Black". He is generally manipulative, conniving, and has a poor disposition. So has white hair and is always seen dressed in black.

Sen showed promise in the martial arts at an early age and was soon accepted at a prestigious school. Sen has remarkable dedication and unending devotion to continued learning and development in the arts. Sen excelled in his studies and graduated with honors.

So was not idle during his brother's training. He practiced in dark circles and in dark arts.

After returning home from school, So challenged Sen to a duel. So he felt he was disrespected in the family and wanted to prove that he was greater than his brother. Sen would not agree to his brother's challenge and warned So of his advanced training. So still would not relent and eventually Sen agreed to fight, only to appease his twin.

Sen started the fight with a few simple moves and was surprised to find his brother indeed had skill in the martial arts. Sen continued with more advanced moves and soon found So was his equal. Sen realized, to his utter amazement, that even his best attacks were matched by So. The fight continued for many hours, neither gaining ground on the other until both were exhausted. Their respect for each other was never questioned again.

The twins gained fame as they continued to win team tournament after team tournament. They won the team champions title their first year. For the next 2 years they continued to win and earned great sums of money as a result. Soon they adopted the Sen So symbol (an adaptation of the yin-yang) and started an arena and school in their local town.

The Sen So arena adopted new rules on combat that required equal opportunities for weapon selections and styles of fighting. But the key change was the elimination of the 'surrender or die rules'. All matches would be based on points scored and would end based on time limit or maximum points. These were done at Sen's insistence.

The result was that the Sen So arena had greater participants who stayed healthier and fought more often making it the largest tournament around. The Sen So arena offered large prizes and grew to be one of the most popular in the land.

Sen and So are still feared and undefeated in team combat.

It has been said to be both amusing and exhilarating to see the two twins in combat against one another. This rarely happens beyond the annual school Shuhan competition. It is often referred to as the "Dance of Mirrors" where it is said that the real skill lies with Sen, but the real power lies with So

## Lost writings of the Father

The following notes were found and are believed to be part of the diary of Sen and So's father.

My sons are so different, and yet they are the same. They live as if they were a mirror, one to the other.

They were close as children and it seemed they shared the same thoughts. Yet, as they aged, something changed. Soon after their 14th year, they spent less time together. They grew apart, and they both became weaker as a result. I think they knew this at the time but could not admit they needed each other. I do not question the paths they chose for each had his own reasons and life to live.

My 'moon' was always without worry, without concern, and making his own way through life. He did love reading mysterious texts and meditating. How easily everything came to him. He somehow learned without studying. He grew strong without exercise. It seemed he could do anything without even trying.

My 'sun' was always trying to be the best of the best. He would practice and practice until he had mastered the skill or task he desired. It seemed he had to work twice as hard to get by in everything he did. But he would never give up. The sheer will of his efforts is still hard for me to understand.

My sons have a connection I cannot quite explain. It's as if the 'sun' brings light to the 'moon'. But if the 'moon' was not there the 'sun' would have little power when night falls. I wonder if they understand this.

They so often disagree with each other and surely do not have the same goals. They do, however, share in the same ambitious spirit. They need each other, for together they are more. I think they know this now. Hopefully they remember and never forget this.

For more information on Sen and So read the Bio pages: Sen, So, Fasuta, Kantinu, Tate, Tounyuu and Waniki.