

In the Age of Earliest Remembrance, We Dragons were everything and all in the world. The hairless apes, whom we referred to as Hito, were to us as the deer of the plains were to them, a wandering flock by which we sustained ourselves.

After a couple millennia of pruning by We Dragons, the Hito stock became cleansed of the weak and dumb. Those lacking the ability or the intelligence to escape our hunt did not live to procreate and thereby pollute the bloodlines.

This pruning, coupled with their own mating selections, brought about several differing traits such as Height, weight and other minor cosmetic traits. These variances brought about divisions among the Hito: the Tall -Eru (eh-ru), the average -human (who-mah-n) and the short -Dorui (do-roo-ee). They began congregating in groups of similar traits, and in these groups, made their friends and found their mates. This selectiveness in grouping led to selectiveness in breeding, further serving to purify and engrain the individual traits into each group's offspring.

These divisions rapidly became more than physical, the three segments also began to form philosophical differences. The Eru trying to impose their own controlling rule, the Human, dissatisfied with being ruled, attempting to get everyone to cooperate and treat all equally and the Dorui becoming secretive and excluding non-Dorui from their activities and intrigues.

Seeking safety in numbers, the Hito originally congregated on the Chyouukan plains in the center of the continent, but as diversity became more evident and tensions grew, the three went their separate ways. The Dorui to the north, the Human to the east leaving the Eru on the central plains.

Now, These names I use for the creatures were not of their own making, nor were they called this at the time of these events. These names were of Dragon origin, and only after centuries did they later come to be used in common speech -with minor modification for the graceless Hito tongue.

In Duraaku, the divine language of We Dragons, these names -as with all names- have deeper meaning.

The tall group attempted to rule the Hito, and were always trying to control, so they were "Eru", meaning "to get, to gain, to win".

The average sized middle group were complainers, never happy with what the Eru

wanted, so they were "Human" meaning "dissatisfaction, discontent, unhappiness".

The small ones, once they migrated north, found the environment to be a bit harsher than they were accustomed to, and seeking shelter in a lightly forested area led to the practice of living in caves. Eventually, they began burrowing into the very mountains, expanding their caves, so they became "Dorui", meaning "earthen walls or earthwork".

Through the bastardizing of Our language to suit the Hitos' tongues, these names became commonly pronounced "Elf", "Human" and "Dwarf".

Since these events have come to pass, the organization of the groups has made them more dangerous to Us and our hunts are more challenging. Some of Us have even chosen to lower ourselves enough to educate them and learn their feeble languages, and now commune with the lowly creatures.