Cornelius
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Dr. Cornelius
is a chimpanzee archaeologist and historian. Cornelius is introduced
as the fiancé of Dr. Zira, an animal psychologist and veterinarian (who specializes in working with humans),
both of whom are on the scientific staff of Dr. Zaius.

While supporting the status quo, Cornelius has begun to question the infallibility of the Sacred Scrolls (which give the traditional history of the ape society) and is considering the validity of evolution (specifically, from human to ape) to explain the scientific gaps in the scrolls.

Cornelius and Zira (and Zira’s nephew, Lucius) are Taylor’s only friends among the Simians that Taylor has on The PLANET of the APES.