

A/N: Yay! Third chapter... I have plans for this... -evil laughter-

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Disclaimer:

Sasuke: I love tomatoes.

Naruto: I hate tomatoes.

Sasuke: How could anyone hate tomatoes?

Ri: Like this: -steps on tomato-

Sasuke: You'll pay for that, Ri-sama.

Ri: Don't think so. I have control of this fiction, you don't want me to do something... nasty... do you?

Naruto: I'm scared of Ri-sama when she's like this... -sweatdrops-

Sasuke: Yeah, me too...

Sakura: Me three...

Shika: Me four...

Sasuke: Shikamaru, stop appearing in these disclaimers, YOUR NOT IN THE FICTION!

Shika: I know I'm not, but it's fun here.

Ri: I could make it more fun... -evil laughter-

Naruto: Have you noticed that Ri-sama has mood swings?

Sakura: Yes. We have.

Sasuke: A lot of mood swings.

Sakura: A lot of drastic mood swings.

Shika: Anyway, Ri-sama doesn't own Naruto.

Naruto: She doesn't--

Everyone: SHUT UP NARUTO!

Naruto: -whimpers-

Shika: Or any of it's characters. They are copyright Masashi Kishimoto-sama.

Ri: -giggles uncontrollably-

Fireworks

oO Chapter 3 - Tribulation Oo

"Sasuke, pretend to be my boyfriend and I'll give you all the tomatoes you can eat for the next month!"

"All the tomatoes I can eat for a month? Do you have any idea how many tomatoes that is?"

"Doesn't matter. I've got the money, but what I need is you to be my pretend boyfriend to make a certain someone jealous."

"So, you're saying all I have to do is hold your hand and walk around with you for a while and I get all the tomatoes I want?"

"Not quite. You would have to do whatever I tell you to, relationship wise, when I tell you and not complain."

"Easy enough. You've got a deal." Sasuke answered.

"Good. Meet me by the lake Saturday at three."

"Fine. But since when do you have such an evil side, Hinata?"

"Oh, it's always been there. I just didn't show it," Hinata laughed, grinning.

"Well, anyway, see you at the lake at three, Sasuke-kun!" Hinata had returned to normal, smiling her usual shy smile.

"You scare me sometimes."

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"Naruto-kun!" Tears flowed down her face, her hands glowing green over the Kuuyubi's chest. "Please, Naruto-kun!"

"He's not breathing, leave him, Sakura."

"No! I won't!" Her once happy expression had faded and been replaced by worry, distrust, anger.

"He's--"

"NO! I WON'T ACCEPT THAT! HE'S ALIVE! He has to be..." Sakura sobbed.

The man began pulling on Sakura's ANBU vest from the back, pulling her away from the blonde haired man's body. "He's dead, Sakura. There's nothing you can do."

"I don't care! I'm not leaving him!" she exclaimed, breaking away from her teammate to clamber back to her friend's body.

"Fine, you die with him."

"No, please, Sasuke-kun! Don't leave me here! Help me bring him back to Konoha!" Sakura shouts to the raven-haired man. She begins to carry him herself, moving at a slow pace.

You could hear other ninja coming.

"Hurry up, you're so annoying!" Sasuke shouts, picking up Naruto from the cherry-blossom-pink headed girl and speeding away.

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Beep. Beep. Beep.

Oh, Naruto-kun... Please be alright, Sakura thought. Her hand was holding his, lines of dirt lined where tears had fallen down her face.

"Miss," a nurse began.

"It's Sakura, and I'm a med. jounin. I know that it's after visiting hours, but I'm not leaving. I'll only leave when Tsunade-sama has seen him," Sakura stated, not taking her eyes away from Naruto's face.

"Very well. I will get Tsunade-sama right now, then." The nurse disappeared.

"Don't die on me, Naruto," Sakura whispered kissing his forehead.

Beep. Beep. Beep.

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"He should be fine, Sakura. Now, you need to go home and get some rest yourself. You've worked yourself too hard," Tsunade instructed, "But now you know how it really is out there in the world of ninja. What all the other ANBU members have to go through with almost everyday."

"Yes, Tsunade-sama. But, are you sure he'll be alright?" Sakura asked.

"Sakura," Tsunade sighed, "He's going to be okay. Now, get some rest!"

"Okay, Tsunade-sama," Sakura said, leaving Naruto's hospital room and walking down the white and gray-tiled hallway.

Because Tsunade-sama says he's going to be okay I can finally rest..., Sakura thought before collapsing in a heap on the floor, unconscious from exhaustion.

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"Sasuke-sensei! You're late again!" screeched a little genin girl.

"Yeah, sensei! Why're you always late?!" demanded another little girl.

"Cause, unlike you guys, I've actually got a job other than to train. I was on a mission. One of my best friends almost died yesterday so just suck up me being late again." Sasuke ranted, glaring at the small children who's genin team captain he was.

“Smooth, Higurashi. You got Sasuke-sensei pissed off again,” a young boy complained.

“Hey! Mika did it too, Rikyu!” Higurashi whined, pointing at the small blonde girl beside her.

“Hey! You started it though, Higurashi!” Mika shouted at her friend.

“You’re both idiots,” Rikyu said harshly, turning his back to the fighting girls.

“Why does the blame always get dumped on me?!” Higurashi demanded to Mika.

“Cause, you always start i--” Mika began to yell.

“SHUT UP YOU TWO!” Sasuke shouted, bonking both the young girls on the head. “It’s not who started it or who gets blamed for it, it’s who’s mature enough to stop it!”

“Sorry, sensei...” Mika whimpered, looking away.

“At least I knew not to get involved...” Rikyu commented.

“Shut up, Rikyu,” Sasuke ordered.

Higurashi looked up at Sasuke with starry eyes and said, “Wow, Sasuke-sensei! You’re so cool!”

“Shut up, Higurashi.” Mika ordered, trying to mimic Sasuke, but failing horribly.

“HEY--!” Higurashi began to shout, but she was interrupted by a huge crash of thunder.

Lightning illuminated the sky and rain began to fall down on them.

“Damn... Rain... Training is canceled for today. Just go home or whatever you kids wanna do,” Sasuke suggested.

“Yay!” the kids screamed before running off, splashing in puddles and laughing. Sasuke stayed where he was and stared off into the trees, not caring about the water that was sweeping through his clothes and clinging to his body, cold as ice.

“Damn, we went through deep shit to get you back and then you almost get me killed, I’m not sure it was worth bringing you back to make Sakura-chan happy, you bastard.” a voice stated from behind a tree next to Sasuke.

“Well, who says I ever wanted to come back in the first place, Naruto?” Sasuke replied coolly.

“No one. But I only brought you back to make Sakura-chan happy, and then you hurt her again. Worse than ever before last week. She came to me for comfort, y’know. You need to apologize to her for what you did.” Naruto commanded.

“Why? What I said was the truth.”

“Because she really likes, or liked you. She deserves an apology.”

“...”

“Fine. Whatever. Do what you want, Sasuke, but you should know she’s never going to look at you in the same way again. You’re going to have to live with that guilt for the rest of your life if you don’t do anything about it,” Naruto explained before disappearing in a small puff of smoke.

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A/N: Please review, maybe some ideas for future chapters?

-Riri

P.S. **GOOGLE DE GUMP!** -laughs-