

Hero Saves Your Life (Pt 1) (M4F) (Strangers to Lovers) (Injured Listener) (Villain Listener)
(Bickering) (TW: violence against listener and mentions of past abuse)

You know it's a bad idea. You feel it deep in your gut. This has to be a trap, but you're going anyway just in case. You receive a note that drives you to go back to a city you haven't wanted to see ever again. And of course, it's a trap. You, a "villain" get ambushed by heroes, but this is different. You don't think they are there to get you arrested.

Approx word count: 1300

[...] is SFX

Bold is tone

Italics is thoughts

Underlined is emphasis

[Footsteps running on a sidewalk]

Out of breath, and panicked *No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no. I've got to get her out of there. There are six heroes in there and she doesn't stand a chance. She'll take down a couple of them no problem, but no one has fought and won against the others. Ice Rage needs to stand down. I've got to make it there in time. They'll kill her and I can't let that happen! Finally there's the...*

[He stops running then a thud sound]

No! Holy shit They just dropped her from a fucking ten story building! Bunch of murdering psychopaths! Oh God, I need to get to her. Shit, they're still on the roof. They'll spot me if I go over. Come on assholes, leave. I can see her chest moving, but it's shallow. I can hear her breathing and heartbeat. I don't like the sounds I'm hearing. I think her lungs are filling with blood. If I can just get to her, wait, I can't see them anymore. This is my chance.

[He runs over to her and she uselessly struggles against him]

“Hey, I've got you. No, don't fight me damn it! Fine, I'm sorry. You can yell at me later. A little boost of serotonin and some morphine should put you out and stop the pain for a while. Please trust me. I'm going to help you. You're going to be ok. I promise.”

[Everything fades out]

[She wakes up in a bed and tries to get up]

“Good evening.”

[Sheets rustling]

“Hey, calm down. You'll only hurt yourself. You're ok. I'm here to help.”

[Sheets rustling]

“Look, I understand. You're confused, maybe a little bit scared. No one here is going to hurt you. In fact, I saved your life.”

(...)

“Why doesn’t matter. You’re safe and that’s all.”

(...)

“Fine! Before I tell you, answer me this, did you recognize the heroes who attacked you?”

(...)

“Three of them? Geo, Ember, and Scarlett Storm right? The other three are Saber, Bolt, and mr. righteous himself Titan and fun fact, Scarlett Storm was Titan’s apprentice. He and Scarlett are the strongest heroes in the country.”

(...)

“No, Titan isn’t usually in our city. The latter 3 are the heroes they only bring in when the city can no longer handle a villain. They were meant to beat you within an inch of your life then let you die then and there.”

(...)

Indignantly “That is not what all of us do. They will leave permanent issues. It won’t be a broken bone or two and a concussion. This will be legs shattered, spine broken, skull fractured, lungs filled with blood type injuries.”

(...)

“Yeah. Had I not been there you would be dead. You had all of those. **Tone shifts from almost anger to somber thoughtfulness** Although, I think your legs being shattered has happened before you were thrown off the roof. Am I right?”

(...)

“You, don’t have to say anything, just nod.”

(...)

“Thought so. That’s been Scarlett Storm’s calling card on tougher villains. Coming from a doctor, it’s excessive if you ask me.”

(...)

Offended shouting “Wait, what? I am a real doctor! Just because I have healing powers, doesn’t mean I didn’t go to medical school and graduate top of my class at Johns Hopkins 6 years ago.”

(...)

“Don’t call me old man, I saw your file. You’re only 2 years younger than me, you little shit.”

(...)

“My name? Just call me Doc. That’s my hero name.”

(...)

“I don’t care if you think it’s stupid. It’s a basic name that tells everyone exactly what I do.”

(...)

“My powers are things like I can take your leg and in my mind I can see everything inside like an x-ray and mentally surgically put the pieces back together.”

(...)

“I see the wounds in my mind and I can move things around to fix them without cutting someone open.”

(...)

“Oi, watch it. I can also put you to sleep just by touching your head. Again”

(...)

“If I place my hand on your head, I can kind of do the same as fixing something. It basically lets me mess with the brain and make it do what I want by having it release whatever chemicals I want or rewiring certain things.”

(...)

“For example, I can touch your head and make it release a shot of serotonin at will. Things like that.”

(...)

“No, I’m not going to do it again, so stop asking. I need you in your right mind.”

(...)

“No.”

(...)

“No.”

(...)

“Whatever. What were you doing there in the first place?”

(...)

“Those sick fucks. They sent you a note saying a villain and had your best friend?”

(...)

“And when you got inside, they tried to knock you out, but you put up an ice shield, of course Ember burned right through it.”

(...)

“Again with the why did I save you? I said it doesn’t matter.”

(...)

Exasperated “What the hell do you think you’re doing? Lay back down now!”

(...)

“If you don’t you’re going to...[Thud] fall. Right come on, back into bed.”

(...)

“I had to numb your whole body so when you woke up, you wouldn’t feel as bad.”

(...)

“Yes, this is your pain level when it’s managed. Feel like you’re going to die huh? Imagine it at full force.”

(...)

“Oh no, I may have saved you, but you’re still my enemy. Don’t mistake that, but only out there. In this house, you will always be safe.”

(...)

“Yes, house. This is my house.”

(...)

“I wasn’t with them because this was a top secret operation. I wasn’t even supposed to know about it, but I was... working on something and I came across your file with a red x next to it. So I, opened it...”

(...)

“Yes, hacked would be a more appropriate word. I hacked in and saw they meant to terminate you.”

(...)

“Because of the villain gangs, why else?”

(...)

“I’m talking about you being the top choice to lead each gang. Apparently you have the pick of the litter.” *Wait, her heart rate didn’t increase. No change in breathing. Either she is a very good actress or...* “You have no idea what I’m talking about do you?”

(...)

“Hold on a second. Stay here, I need to grab my phone.”

(...)

There's no way they would target her for no reason. Ok, let me look at the pictures I took.

According to her file she is a top villain, but nothing in here shows any reason for HQ to want her terminated. At least not in her skills and abilities. What else is in here?

(...)

“Yeah, I’m coming.”

(...)

“What?”

(...)

“Yeah, I’ll bring some water.”

(...)

Shocked “Huh? Oh um you’re welcome.”

[He walks back in and she is breathing heavily and she’s gripping her head.]

“Ok, you and I are going to... **Calm panic as the doctor in him comes out** Hey, hey, hey, what’s wrong? I see you. I’m here. How can I help?”

(...)

“Your head feels like it’s about to explode? Ok, please try to be calm dear. I promise you, you’re going to be ok. I need to do something to see if there is a problem with your skull. Can you trust me not to hurt you?”

(...)

“Thank you. First, let me help you sit up. Not get up, just sit up. Easy, good. Now I’m going to lean you towards me. For this I’m going to need you to either keep your head very still or rest it on my shoulder.”

(...)

“If you think you can hold it steady go ahead.”

(...)

“There’s no need for the attitude.”

(...)

I told you to keep still.”

(...)

“No you’re not.”

(...)

“I, [She lays on his shoulder] thank you. Resting me will definitely make this easier. Your hair smells nice.”

(...)

“What? No, I’m not hitting on you. Just... shut up.”

(...)

“You’re going to feel a kind of rumble in your brain. It’s fine. It’s just my power assessing your injuries.”

(...)

Her breathing is slower, not in a bad way and her body is leaning on me a lot more. Is she asleep? I guess it would be a good thing. I don’t feel anything internal making her sleep. I think her headache was just the result of the day as a whole. Alright come here. I’ve got your head

steady in my hand and I'm just going to lay you gently back on the pillow. Just like that. Sleep well dear villain.

[Footsteps]

Now, I need to sit and read her file. First off, who marked her for termination?

[Opens his phone]

“Wait, it was Titan and, what the actual fuck?”