## Your Sick Boyfriend Doesn't Want Your Care | "Sick? Me? That's crazy!" [M4F] [Sickness] [Reverse Comfort] [Established Relationship] [Reverse Comfort for Insecurity]

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Your boyfriend is clearly sick, but he's resistant to your attempts at help.

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LISTENER, who has just awoken, walks into her kitchen to find BOYFRIEND pouring himself a bowl of cereal.

<b>BOYFRIEND</b> :			
Morning, babe.			
LISTENER:			

**BOYFRIEND:** 

Why am I out of bed? Um, because I was finished sleeping?
*laughs*
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Well, I suppose I do usually stay in bed 'til you wake up, but
BOYFRIEND scoops a bite of cereal into his mouth
BOYFRIEND:
(talking whilst eating)
I dunno, I guess I just wanted to hit the ground running today.
*coughs, spitting out some cereal*
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
I'm fine, baby. It must've just gone down the wrong pipe. I'm sorry, that was gross. I'll clean it up.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
No, I'm not going to make you do it for me. Go back to bed, it's the weekend.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
I can't join you because um, I have some work I need to catch up on, yeah. So, you go rest and I will
go do that wor- Ah, Ah

\*sneezes\*

Oh, excuse me.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Thank you.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Of course I'm all right. A-are you all right?
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
I know I'm pale, you don't have to remind me.
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LISTENER:
LISTENER holds a mirror up to BOYFRIEND's face
BOYFRIEND:
Oh. That's what I look like? You meant, like, I'm pale. I see.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Well, um, thanks for the info. I'll keep an eye on tha-, er, on me, myself my face. Yep. Okay, I'm going
to my office.

LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Leaving you? Baby, I'll still be in the house.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
I am not avoiding going to bed with you.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Sick? Th-that's crazy. That is a crazy thought to think. To have thunk.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
I am sneezing and coughing because allergies?
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
A-and what I'm allergic to is um, beautiful women, such as yourself.
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BOYFRIEND:

Hey, your face is awful red, maybe *you*'re the sick one.

LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Wait- I didn't mean, like <i>I</i> was sick just
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Fine. I am sick. That what you wanted to hear? Yeah, I've got a li'l cold, so what? I just don't want to
spread it to you, that's why I left the bed. You win.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Do I need you to get me anything? What, baby, no. I told you it's just a cold. Please just go back to bed
and let me deal with me.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
I should not be the one who goes back to bed.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Are you really going to make me?
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:

I'll go back to bed under one condition. You don't, like make me chicken noodle soup or something. Deal?
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND: Okay. Off to bed for me.
Audio fades
BOYFRIEND is lying in bed, tossing and turning, lightly groaning
BOYFRIEND: This sucks.
LISTENER opens the door and enters the room
BOYFRIEND:
Hi, babe. What's up? How are you feeling?
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
Me? I'm fine. A little bored now that you've confined me to the bed, but my migraine isn't as bad when I'm lying down.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
What's that you're holding? Is that a thermometer?
LISTENER:

BOYFRIEND:
Listen, babe. You aren't my mom, you don't have to check my temperature.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Because I know I'm sick. We both do. You don't need to check.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Fine. Just so you can check the 'extent' of my cold.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
What's it read?
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
See? I told you? I'm practically healthier than you, probably.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
No, I don't want a <i>popsicle</i> . Not a toddler, and, again, you're not my mother, lovely as she may be

LISTENER:

BOYFRIEND: (softly) Baby, look at me. I want you to enjoy your Saturday. Please, don't bother yourself with me. I'll let you know if I desperately need anything from you, but I'm sure I'll be content to just rest here. Go relax. That's what I want.
LISTENER:
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LISTENER leaves the room and closes the door
Audio fades
LISTENER opens door and enters room carrying a bowl; BOYFRIEND is asleep
BOYFRIEND: (groggy) Huh? Oh, hi, baby. I must've fallen asleep.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:  I feel a little better, I suppose. What have you got in your hands?
LISTENER:
<b>BOYFRIEND</b> : Ughhh. I told you <i>not</i> to make me soup!

LISTENER:

BOYFRIEND:
Chicken noodle soup was an example! Parmesan soup is still soup.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
No, baby, I'll eat it, of course I will. I love everything you make. Give it here.
BOYFRIEND scoops some soup into his mouth
BOYFRIEND:
(eating whilst talking)
I just wish you hadn't exerted yourself like that for my sake.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
(eating whilst talking)
Mmm, you know, if I could taste I'm sure this would taste amazing.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Just a hunch. Either that or it's the fact I know you're an awesome cook.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Why didn't I want you to make me soup? Well, it's can I ask you something?

LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:  Why are you do in a all this for mo? I'd told you I was fine. Why do you keen hundoning yourself with
Why are you doing all this for me? I'd told you I was fine. Why do you keep burdening yourself with me and my lame cold? What can I give you in return?
LISTENER kisses BOYFRIEND
BOYFRIEND:
Why'd you kiss me, baby? I'm sick, remember?
LISTENER kisses BOYFRIEND, again
BOYFRIEND:
You are going to get yourself sick!
LISTENER kisses BOYFRIEND deeply and passionately
BOYFRIEND:
*laughs*
You don't care? Why?
LISTENER kisses BOYFRIEND
BOYFRIEND:
B-because you love me?
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LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
N-no it's the fever making me red. I-I'm not blushing.
(whispering)

I love you too.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
I said I love you too! All right? You're so damn sweet to me. Even when I push you away, you keep trying to make sure I'm okay.
BOYFRIEND begins to weep
BOYFRIEND:
(through tears)
I'm sorry, this isn't very 'manly' of me. You, taking care of me. Me, crying. I-
LISTENER kisses BOYFRIEND deeply and passionately
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Shut up? Why?
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
I would do the exact same for you, were you in my position, yeah.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
You know what, darling?

LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
You're so pretty when you care.
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
(laughingly)
Yeah. Downright gorgeous.
BOYFRIEND deeply kisses LISTENER
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
That's to make sure you get sick and I can repay you three-times over for today.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
I love you so much.
LISTENER:
LISTENER starts to the door

## **BOYFRIEND**:

Wait. Don't go. Do you... want to get in bed with me? We can, like watch Netflix or something.

LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
Only if I promise something? What?
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
All right, hand on my heart, I hereby swear that, for as long as I live, I will never again refuse the aid of
my amazingly beautiful and caring girlfriend. I pinky-swear it.
A ACCEPTANCE
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
You know, your hands are really pretty.
LISTENER:
BOYFRIEND:
*laughs*
Just get in here already. I miss your company, and your body against mine.
Audio fades
LISTENER:
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BOYFRIEND:
What do you mean you get to pick the show? I'm the sick one!
LISTENER:

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## **BOYFRIEND**:

\*laughs\*

Hey, give me that remote!

[END]