

Your Brother's Best Friend Comforts You After Ex Cheats (M4F) (Friends to Lovers) (Older Brother's Best Friend) (Comfort) (Angst) (Plus Size Listener)

After your first ever boyfriend cheats on you, your brother's best friend comes to check on you. He promises to spend time with you until you feel better. You've had a crush on him, but he never dates women who look like you. Then a sudden storm pushes you both over the edge and It becomes a night you will never forget.

Approx words 1900

[...] are sfx

Bold is tone

*is writer note

[Knocking and door opens]

“So, how long were you going to wait before calling me?”

{Pause}

“Your brother told me.”

[Door closes]

“What? Just because he’s my best friend doesn’t mean I’m not allowed to check in on you.”

{Pause}

A little hurt, but not by her “You, thought I wouldn’t notice you being MIA for three days and you didn’t want to bother me. Good lord. Silly woman. Are you ok?”

{Pause}

“Of course I can hug you. Shh. It’ll be okay, bug.”

[Clothes rustling]

Soft “I know it hurts.”

{Pause}

Soft “Yeah, I know he was your first boyfriend.”

{Pause}

“He is most definitely an asshole.”

{Pause}

“Your brother said he cheated. Is that true?”

{Pause}

“Let me get this straight. You scheduled yourself to work a flight where he lives and you planned to surprise him. Oof. You went to the casino where he worked immediately after the flight and saw him... kissing another woman! You actually saw them?”

{Pause}

“Holy shit! What a bastard!”

{Pause}

“When you confronted him, she introduced herself as his girlfriend and she knew about you?

Wow, zero shame apparently.”

{Pause}

“And she looks about 20 years older than him? Ok yeah, that’s a lot.”

{Pause}

“Wait, you saw where he sent her flowers the day you came in?”

{Pause}

“Isn’t that the one thing you asked him to do just one time, but he refused because and I quote,

“What’s the point when they die in a few days?”?”

{Pause}

“Oh bug, I’m sorry.”

{Pause}

“When is your next flight?”

{Pause}

“A few weeks? Why so long? Usually it’s every few days.”

{Pause}

“You decided to use vacation time to think. Understandable.”

{Pause}

“I ask because I thought maybe we could spend some time together. We don’t get to hang out as much because of your job and... Whoa, why are you tearing up again? Come here.”

[Clothes sounds]

“Oh hon, I’m sorry. I wouldn’t have said it if I’d known it was his excuse for cheating. Just know even though you are gone a lot, it doesn’t change our relationship. You’re still my friend and that won’t change because of your job. It just means we spend more time together when we can.”

{Pause}

“No, don’t apologize for traveling all the time for work or for crying. I just meant, now you have some time off, we could hang out as much as you’d like. I can help take your mind off him and we can catch up. How does that sound?”

{Pause}

“I’m glad you like the idea.”

{Pause}

“Now, what do you want to do?”

{Pause}

“You want me to decide so you don’t have to think. Ok, I can handle that. Well, it’s almost lunch time. How about we order some Chinese food?”

{Pause}

“Great. Sweet and sour chicken and a sweet and sour pork to split?”

{Pause}

“You got it!”

{Pause}

“Alright, food’s ordered. Now, One Piece or that old musical you like?”

{Pause}

“Cool, I’ll get it started. Come here so I can cuddle you.”

{Pause}

“What?”

{Pause}

“Yeah, I know we’ve never done it, but I feel like you need it. And if I’m being honest, seeing you this sad makes me sad and I just want to hold you.”

[He lays on the couch]

“You’re only doing it because it’s what I want huh? Your little pouty smirk says otherwise.”

{Pause}

“Come lay on me.”

{Pause}

“What’s that face?”

{Pause}

“Oh please. You’re not going to crush me!”

{Pause}

“I promise, bug. I’ll be fine, you’ll be fine and who knows, maybe you’ll end up enjoying it.”

{Pause}

Overly dramatic “You doubt me? I’m hurt, bug. I may actually cry. You’ve wounded me.”

{Pause}

“Yay! Now get your butt over here and give me cuddles.”

[She lays on top of him]

“There we go. Oo you’re nice and warm. We are definitely doing this more often.”

{Pause}

“Just lay here. That’s all you need to do. Let me rub your back. And maybe stroke your hair a bit.
Is that ok?”

[Light hair stroking sounds]

“Cool.”

{Pause}

“Hey, you’ll be ok, you know. I will always be here for you and protect you.”

{Pause}

“Shh, watch the pretty pirates.”

[He stifles back a laugh]

[After a moment, he kisses her head]

TIME SKIP

*About a week later

[Heavy thunderstorm. Door opens]

“Shit, hurry, get inside!”

[Door close]

“Sorry, I didn’t think the weather would have turned like that. Had I known, I definitely wouldn’t have suggested a walk around the park. We were what, nearly a mile from my car? Here, let me get you a towel.”

{Pause}

“Did the flower survive?”

{Pause}

“Really! Awesome! Yeah, I saw the red lily and thought it was beautiful and I wanted to buy it for you. Lilies are still your favorite, right?”

{Pause}

“Great!”

{Pause}

“Hey, if you want to grab some clothes from my room, I can throw yours in the dryer.”

{Pause}

“Yeah, take whatever you want.”

{Pause}

“You’re going for my Treasure Planet hoodie aren’t you?”

{Pause}

“I heard that giggle!”

{Pause}

“Wait! Hold on, don’t change yet.”

[Running footsteps]

“Here’s your towel. Try to dry your hair a bit. It’s soaked. I’m just going to grab some dry clothes.”

{Pause}

“No, you can change in here. I’ll change in the laundry room. Oh and my sister leaves an extra blow dryer here for some reason. It’s in the bathroom.”

[Blow dryer running in the distance]

“Alright, as soon as she’s done, I’ll dry our clothes, but for now, I’m going to go…”

[Phone dings multiple times]

“Was that mine?”

[Footsteps]

“Nope, hers.”

[Dings again]

“Seriously? 5 messages? Shit, didn’t mean to see… wait. Please no.”

{Pause}

“Hey, how long… **Awestruck turned nervous** Wow, you look really good in my clothes. Wow.”

{Pause}

“Did I say wow twice? Sorry.”

{Pause}

“What was I saying? Umm. I, I can’t remember.”

{Pause}

“And I see you chose my, um, Halloween pumpkin boxers.”

{Pause}

“Yep, I know about the pumpkin on the, butt.”

{Pause}

“That’s why you chose them? You thought it was a cute design. Well, I’d have to agree with you there.”

{Pause}

Absentmindedly “Hmm? Oh, I was saying, umm what was it?”

{Pause}

“Oh yeah, I have your phone because I noticed it was blowing up.”

{Pause}

Stern “How long?”

{Pause}

“Don’t give me that. You know exactly what.”

{Pause}

“Why is your ex texting you?”

{Pause}

Sort of angry “No, I didn’t read them. I’m not a complete asshole. I just read his name as it popped on the screen.”

{Pause}

“He was begging you to take him back?”

{Pause}

“The woman dumped him when she found out he was lying about how much money he had.”

{Pause}

“Well, serves him right.”

{Pause}

“So? Are you going to take him back?”

{Pause}

“I think it’s a little bit of my business!”

{Pause}

“Because I’ve spent the last week cleaning up his mess.”

{Pause}

Regretful “No, that’s not what I mean.”

{Pause}

“What I meant was, watching you cry over him hurt me so much, I don’t think I can watch you go through it again. And I never want you to feel like that’s how a relationship should be and you

know as well as I do if you go back to him, he will just make you cry all over again. You deserve to be happy and he doesn't deserve you."

{Pause}

"No, he doesn't. I know you're scared because he was your first boyfriend and now you're worried it may be the only relationship you get or every man is going to be like him, but we're not. You will find your man. The one who will love you no matter what, who will jump at any chance to see you, take any chance to make you smile or laugh. The man who will love you the way you deserve to be loved. He will look at you with more love and attention than he thought possible. Someone you don't have to ask to buy you flowers. He'll just do it."

{Pause}

"Like, I did, yeah."

{Pause}

"You'd find him right here bug. Right in front of you."

[Standing in silence for a moment while he breathes softly. She walks closer and takes his face in her hands.]

"Please keep holding my face like this. Never let me go."

[She kiss him deeply and passionately, but then pulls away]

"No, why did you stop? It was finally happening."

{Pause}

"What do you mean, what do I mean?"

{Pause}

"Yes, I want this. I want us. Do you?"

{Pause}

“Wait. Do, do you not want...?”

[She asks why would he want her.]

“Why would I want you? Are you insane?”

{Pause}

Sad, gets choked up towards the end “Just answer the question she says. Bug, I’ve been in love with you for years and I think you’re beautiful. All of you. Your smile, your eyes, your hands. God, these beautiful hands.”

[He kisses her hands]

{Pause}

“Have I ever shied away from any physical contact with you? I’ve rubbed your back, held your thigh when we’re driving, your arms when I held you the other night. There is no part of you I haven’t wanted to put my hands on.”

{Pause}

“How can I not feel that way?”

{Pause}

“Just because other guys are assholes doesn’t mean I am. Not to you, never to you.”

{Pause}

“Why? Because I love you, that’s why!”

{Pause}

“There, I said it. I’m in love with my best friend’s sister.”

{Pause}

“Well, let’s see. We’ve known each other for 16 years, so probably around 12 years or so.”

{Pause}

“Why wouldn’t I love you?”

{Pause}

“I saw the way you looked down at your body just now. What is it?”

[He rubs her shoulders and arms]

{Pause}

“You, you love me? Really? Don’t say it if you don’t mean it.”

{Pause}

“You’ve been in love with me for years? Why didn’t you say anything?”

{Pause}

“You didn’t think I’d love you because of your size? Oh honey.”

{Pause}

“Do you want to go to my room?”

{Pause}

“Because I would love to cuddle with you and hold you.”

{Pause}

“Ok, take my hand.”

{Pause}

“Go ahead and lay down. I’m just going to start some music.”

[Soft music plays VA’s choice]

[She kisses him again]

“Aren’t you the sweetest most precious woman. You’re adorable, kissing me out of nowhere like that.”

{Pause}

“Sweetheart, can you look at me for a moment?”

{Pause}

“Hi. Give me that forehead.”

[He kisses her forehead]

“You are stunning, beautiful, astounding, radiant, and by far the most gorgeous and amazing woman I’ve ever met.”

{Pause}

“Hey, it’s ok. You don’t need to cover your belly. Can you move your arms for a minute please?”

{Pause}

Reassuringly “It’s ok. I’ve got you. I promise.”

{Pause}

“Look at this sweet tummy. So soft and beautiful.”

[Kisses her stomach on the hoodie a few times]

“What? I can’t admire your gorgeous body in front of me?”

{Pause}

“I’m going to lay next to you. **Whispered** Hi.”

{Pause}

“You’re so beautiful. Your eyes are like gems. I love the way they sparkle when you look at me.”

{Pause}

“I’m feeling amazing having you in my arms.”

{Pause}

“Why? Seriously? Because it’s you. The woman I love and have loved for more than a decade loves me back. I’m over the fucking moon.”

{Pause}

“Honey please listen to me. Can, can I hold you tighter?”

{Pause}

“Thank you. Now can we lay here together. I want to hold you in my arms and explain why I got so upset.”

{Pause}

“Here, I’ll hug you. Kiss your forehead. Rub you back. Stroke your hair.”

{Pause}

“I love you, bug. That has never been a doubt in my mind. I wasted my time with those silly girls who dumped me or ghosted me when I could have been with the woman I love most in the entire world. None of them compare to you, ever.”

{Pause}

“I don’t care if they had more boyfriends than you.”

{Pause}

Sad and sincere “And I especially don’t care if they had smaller bellies or thighs, arms or anything you just said. I care that it’s you. I love you for you. Not despite your size, not because of your size, I love you because you are you. I really need to stop saying “you”.”

{Pause}

“Was that a little smile?”

{Pause}

With a smile “Maybe?”

{Pause}

“Can you look at me please? I do. You are my love. Every, single, part, every, inch, every freckle, blemish, hair, eyelash, fingernail...”

{Pause}

Laughing “What! I’m just telling you how much I love you, your melodic laugh, and your beautiful mind, body, and soul.”

{Pause}

“I will never get tired of hearing those words. Thank you for loving me too.”

[Kiss]