

Sounds like... DRAMIONE



Official Rules 2023

Welcome to Sounds Like Dramione 2023 - a Dramione FanFiction Forum fan favourite! This is a friendly song lyric prompted competition.

General Rules

- Main pairing must be Dramione or Dramione+.
- Each prompt is a song lyric, but the lyric may be interpreted freely.
- All participants **must** be a member of the Dramione FanFiction Forum on Facebook.
 - If you are **only** on Tumblr and would like to participate, please contact the admin team.
 - You may claim a prompt while waiting for the admin team to process your group request.
- This competition is **anonymous**.
 - Participants aren't kept secret, but who wrote each piece **is**. Please only share your piece with your chosen alpha and/or beta.
 - Stories are to remain **private/anonymous** until each voting result is revealed.
 - You can't discuss the contents of your entry in any groups, chats, or on other platforms.
 - Do not post your piece (or any sneak peeks, snippets, or alternate versions) anywhere else until the challenge is over.
 - **Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification.**
- In order to participate, you will need an AO3 account.
 - If you don't have an AO3 account, contact a member of the admin team to get an invitation.
- If there is any issue with a work in the competition, you must contact an admin.
 - Including but not limited to:
 - Inappropriate comments (unrevealed or not)
 - Untagged/Improperly tagged triggers
 - Issues with story content of any kind
 - Issues readers may have with content will be considered by both the admin team **and** the participant. There is **no** guarantee that additional tags may be added based on feedback received.
- Communications will take place through email and group posts in Dramione Fanfiction Forum.
 - Courtesy communications regarding deadlines or submissions may be sent via PM on Facebook from a member of the admin team, but it is up to you to note deadlines and be mindful of timing.
- This is a friendly competition, and any negative or flame reviews will be deleted.
- **If any changes or additions are made to this document, the new sections will be highlighted.**

Dates

- Sign-Ups/Claims
 - June 11th, 2023 - 12 PM North American Eastern
 - *Claiming will remain open until the competition due date.*
- Entries Due
 - July 31st, 2023 - 12 PM North American Eastern
- Stories Revealed & Voting Opens
 - August 2nd, 2023 - 12 PM North American Eastern
- Voting Ends*
 - August 30th, 2023 - 11:59 PM North American Eastern
- Awards Announced*
 - September 1st, 2023, **TBD**
- **Voting time frames may be flexible depending on the number of entries.*

Alpha and Beta Limitations

- We highly encourage the use of an alpha/beta for this competition.
- Each story can have **one** alpha and **one** beta.
- An alpha or beta may only work with **one** participant.
- Authors who are also competing with their own entry can only alpha **or** beta one additional story.
- The admin team is not allowed to alpha or beta any piece in the competition.

Formatting/Submissions

- Entries must be between 2,500 and 20,000 words and **complete**.
 - Do not upload any art or aesthetics with your story.
- The story must be an original, never-before-published piece of fanfiction.
 - Submitting AI-generated content is cause for disqualification.
- Participants are not allowed to expand their pieces after the competition.
 - All works should be stand-alone pieces.
 - Stories may be multi-chapter as long as all chapters are uploaded and completed before the competition deadline.
- Any applicable Archive Warnings **must** be properly identified.
 - You cannot use "Choose Not To Use Archive Warnings" as an option.
 - No necrophilia or pedophilia.
 - Characters in sexual situations must be at least the age of consent in the United Kingdom (16 years old). **No exceptions.**
 - See ***What are the different types of tags?*** on the [Official AO3 Tag FAQ](#) if you have any questions.
- You must use **standard** AO3 tags.
 - If you have any questions regarding what constitutes a standard tag, please [see this page](#).
 - Please tag any commonly triggering content. If you have a question about content and whether it should be tagged, please reach out to a member of the admin team.
 - No non-canonical freeform tags may be used.
 - Participants may add additional tags **after** reveals.
 - You can also use this [AO3 Tag Search tool](#) (make sure to check canonical).
- **All entries must include the following standard disclaimer as the author's note at the beginning of the story:**

- Disclaimer: The characters do not belong to me but are the property of J.K.R. and Warner Bros. No copyright infringement is intended. Thank you to my alpha and/or beta for their time and help. The prompt for my story was: **[insert "lyric" from "song" by "artist"]**
 - **Ex.** Disclaimer: The characters do not belong to me but are the property of J.K.R. and Warner Bros. No copyright infringement is intended. Thank you to my alpha and/or beta for their time and help. The prompt for my story was: "This is the song that never ends, It just goes on and on, my friend." from "This Is the Song That Never Ends" by The Kiboomers.
- You **must** use standard Ao3 page breaks.
 - While we all love to see your personal touches to your entries, for the sake of uniformity and keeping things anonymous, **any page breaks that are featured in your entry must be done using the "page break" button** that AO3 provides when you format/edit your entry.
- Your work should not include formatting unique to other published stories in your catalogue, as this may make your entry identifiable.
- After you submit your story to the collection you **must** fill out the Story Info Form.
- In order to maintain anonymity, we review all submissions before they are revealed and provide last-minute feedback to ensure there is uniformity with certain aspects.
 - **Failure to amend your entry may result in disqualification from the competition.**

[Story Info Form](#) // [Collection Link](#)

Claiming

- Only **one** claim per prompt. Prompts are **first-come, first-serve**.
 - If a prompt is claimed more than once, the second will be dropped based on AO3 timestamps and a member of the admin team will contact you.
- You must fill out the Claim Form within 48 hours of claiming a lyric.
 - If you fail to fill out the form, your claim may be dropped by the admin team.

[Claiming Link](#) // [Sign-Up Form](#)

Voting

- A post will be made in the group when stories are revealed.
 - This post will include:
 - Link to collection.
 - Link to voting form.
 - Link to a reference sheet for the submissions.
- We strongly encourage you to read all of the stories before placing your votes to ensure you have given every story included in the competition a fair chance.
 - You are not **required** to read every entry.
 - Some stories may contain **triggering content**. If a story is tagged with **triggers** that you do not feel comfortable reading, you are under no obligation to read the entry.
 - **Please be mindful of the difference between triggers, squicks, and general dislike of tropes.**
 - Please see [this resource document](#) if you need help identifying the differences.
- Any member of the Dramione Fanfiction Forum Facebook group may vote - you do not have to be a participant in the competition to vote.
- You may only vote once.
- Authors may **not** vote for their own entry in any category.
- Participants **must** vote in order to be eligible to win any awards.
- Authors may respond to comments on their story while logged onto their AO3 profile.
 - It will show as 'Anonymous Creator' until we reveal the authors in the collection. Creators, please be mindful of your responses and do not give yourself away!

Awards

- Winners & Runner-Ups will be selected for the following categories:
 - Best Romance
 - Best Fluff
 - Best Angst
 - Best Intimate Moment (*Non-sexual*)
 - Best Smut
 - Best Triad (*based on submissions*)
 - Best Draco Characterization
 - Best Hermione Characterization
 - Best Use of Prompt
 - Fan Favorite
 - Admin Favorite

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If we are made aware that you violated any of the aforementioned rules, you may be disqualified from the competition.

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Reach out to the admin team with any questions, comments, or concerns at forumowlpost@gmail.com