

TRANSCRIPT FOR

Sailor Moon - Episode 31: "A Reluctant Princess"

(Serena fills us in on the momentous events that have occurred over the span of the last episode.)

Serena "So here's the buzz, Sailor Moon fans. We're stuck in this creepy cave with that lowlife dweezil, Zoisite. Thanks to her, Tuxedo Mask is fighting for his life. Oh, that's the other hot buzz: Darien is Tuxedo Mask. Oh, and here's the real kicker: I'M the Moon Princess: me...Serena. Like even."

(Luna can't believe it.)

Luna "Wow. Sailor Moon..."

(The crescent on her forehead glows brightly.)

Luna "You're the Moon Princess from so long ago. Right in front of me, and I didn't even know."

(Artemis and all the other Sailor Scouts can't believe it, either.)

Sailor Jupiter "Yeah, who'd have thought that Serena, of all people, would turn out to be the Moon Princess? It's a total blowaway."

Sailor Mars "Tell me about it."

Sailor Mercury "And what about Darien? I still can't believe that he's Tuxedo Mask. Oh Mars, I'm sorry. You must feel terrible."

(It WAS a hard blow for Sailor Mars. She had had a crush on Darien for a while. To see that Serena and Darien were destined for each other was also a total blowaway. The two had never gotten along in the past, especially since he kept using the insulting name "Meatball Head.")

Sailor Mars "Hmm, but I guess they were meant to be long before Darien and I."

(Zoisite, who had seen the whole thing, has had enough.)

Zoisite "Enough with all your silly chatter! I want that Imperium Silver Crystal, and I'm going to get it!"

(Oh, one tiny detail was left out. When Darien was injured, Serena's true love for him was revealed, and her love summoned the Rainbow Crystals back from the Negaverse and reunited them into the Imperium Silver Crystal. The crystal united with the Crescent Moon Wand and placed Serena in a trance. It was then that her true identity, Princess Serena of the Moon Kingdom, was revealed. Now, she holds the wand and the crystal.)

Zoisite "ZOI!"

(The attack has no effect. Serena, still in a trance, raises the wand.)

Princess Serena "COSMIC MOON POWER!"

Zoisite "NO!"

(The wand now has incredible power, and a powerful force sends Zoisite into a column, knocking her out. With that out of the way, Serena looks to Darien, badly injured by Zoisite's treacherous backstab. Her speech is odd, as if of long ago.)

Princess Serena “Tuxedo Mask, I feel you are growing weaker. Please do not go. I need you.”

(Darien (Tuxedo Mask) manages to wake up. At the sight of Serena, memories begin to flood back to him...memories locked away for a thousand years.)

Darien “You're...you're finally free...Serena. You're free, and now I remember everything. It's all so clear. I am Prince Darien.”

(Darien puts a hand to her face, which she caresses. The signs have shown it, and now it is crystal clear. Her memories are returning as well, and the story of their thousand-year-old romance can be told.)

Princess Serena “Yes, Prince Darien. I am remembering now, too. I am Princess Serena of the Moon Kingdom, and you were a prince from Earth. One day, we were to marry. I can picture the last time we were together.”

(It was on the balcony in the royal palace.)

Princess Serena “I gave you my Star Locket so you would always remember me.”

(So that's how Darien picked up the Star Locket. Before, he couldn't figure out the significance of it.)

Princess Serena “It was right before the last battle with the Negaverse, and you were going to defend our kingdom from the dark forces.”

(She remembers that day like yesterday now.)

Princess Serena “Oh Darien! Come back to me!”

(He had charged right into the fray.)

Princess Serena “It was the last time I saw you.”

(She remembers the last word she had said to him...his name.)

Princess Serena “DARIEN!”

(And then...the memories end.)

(We return to the present.)

Princess Serena “You DID come back, and you set me free like in our dream.”

(An aura begins to surround them.)

Princess Serena “We are free.”

(With all of the memories revived, Serena regains control of her senses. She turns back into Sailor Moon...and faints.)

Sailor Venus “Sailor Moon!”

(The other Scouts rush to her aid.)

Sailor Venus "She collapsed! What happened?"

Luna "This whole thing must've been too much for her."

Sailor Jupiter "Check her pulse. Is she gonna be all right?"

(Sailor Venus checks.)

Sailor Venus "I think so. Just a little fainting spell."

Sailor Mercury "How princess-like."

Aretmis "All those memories flooding back must've overloaded her royal circuits. I'm sure she'll be fine."

(Meanwhile, Sailor Mars is tending to Darien.)

Sailor Mars "Come on, Darien. Wake up. It's me, Raye."

Sailor Jupiter "We gotta get him to a doctor. He needs help fast."

(Suddenly, a raspy voice says...)

Zoisite "Nobody's going anywhere."

Sailor Jupiter "Hmm?"

(Zoisite is waking up. She's weak, and her voice is raspy, but she's still able to stand.)

Zoisite "I hope you got a good look at your princess, 'cause she's going back into history. You're all history."

(Malachite then appears, and Zoisite braces him for support.)

Malachite "Zoisite, you're trembling!"

Zoisite "Help me, Malachite. Help me get them all before they escape. They'll find the exit...and take the Imperium Crystal with them."

Malachite "No they won't! They'll never find their way out of here. We'll get that crystal back. Don't you worry."

(The presence of the Negaverse's strongest warrior makes everyone tense.)

Malachite "But there's something else we gotta get, too."

Sailor Venus "Well, you'll have to deal with us first, pretty boy."

(The Sailor Scouts stand ready to defend Sailor Moon.)

Sailor Mercury "Careful, Sailor Scouts."

Malachite "Cool your jets, Sailor brats. It's not you I'm interested in."

(He blows the Scouts back while Darien is lifted into the air.)

Sailor Venus "He's after Darien!"

(Darien is surrounded by an aura...and disappears.)

Sailor Mars "Darien, no!"

(Then Malachite and Zoisite disappear as well.)

Sailor Mars "Darien. He's gone. What are they gonna do with him?"

(Back at Queen Beryl's castle, the evil queen is majorly ticked off.)

Queen Beryl "Oh, excellent work. The Moon Princess now has the Imperium Crystal. So what are you going to do about it, Malachite?"

Malachite "Oh, we'll get it back. Don't you worry, my queen. After all, she's just a young girl, really a crybaby. You think this kid can pull off being the Moon Princess? I very much doubt that."

Queen Beryl "You'd better be right. I'll give you another chance."

(Now, to a more serious concern.)

Queen Beryl "Now, Zoisite, please explain your behavior regarding Tuxedo Mask."

(Her orders had been to bring back Tuxedo Mask ALIVE...)

Zoisite "Please, your Majesty. It was an accident."

(...but she had twice tried to kill him. And she's the one that had said the Negaverse sees everything. Boy, is she in for it.)

Queen Beryl "First, the elevator, then the ice crystal. Did you think I wouldn't know?!"

Zoisite "No, It's just..."

Queen Beryl "You've been warned for the last time! You won't disobey me again!"

Malachite "Queen Beryl, please! It's my fault! I trained her!"

(No chance.)

Malachite "QUEEN BERYL!"

(Queen Beryl promptly blasts Zoisite...hard.)

Zoisite "AAAAH! MALACHITE!"

Malachite "Huh? NO!"

Queen Beryl "Let that be a warning, Malachite."

Malachite "Yes."

(Later, within the chamber of the Negaforce, Darien lies unconscious in front of Queen Beryl.)

Queen Beryl "Now, to more important matters. Oh great Negaforce, do we have enough energy to turn Tuxedo Mask to our side?"

Negaforce "Yes, but he's very weak. You must go slowly, and you'll have to erase all the memories of his past he regained with the princess."

Queen Beryl "Then, he'll be ours, all ours, and I'll turn him against the princess and get that crystal back!"

Negaforce "You've finally succeeded at something, Beryl. Now, give me the necessary energy!"

Queen Beryl "Of course, my master."

(Malachite's chambers. Zoisite lies on a bed, fatally wounded by the blast.)

Malachite "Oh Zoisite, I'm so sorry. It's not fair. Queen Beryl should've punished me for not teaching you to be more patient. I'm so sorry I failed you."

(Zoisite opens her eyes.)

Zoisite "Hold me."

(He helps her to sit up.)

Zoisite "The only one who failed was me, Malachite. You told me not to seek revenge, but I didn't listen. Promise...just promise me one last thing, Malachite."

Malachite "Anything."

Zoisite "Don't forget me."

(And she dies in his arms.)

Malachite "I would never."

(As he leaves, nothing is left of Zoisite but cherry blossoms.)

Malachite "Goodbye, my love."

----- **Commercial Break** -----

(In the maze that was once Starlight Tower, the Sailor Scouts struggle to discover a way out.)

Sailor Venus "Which way, Mercury?"

(Sailor Mercury is having a hard time with the tower's new structure. Even with help from her VR Visor and Mercury Computer, the data's still a bunch of gobbledygook.)

Sailor Mercury "I'm not quite sure, you guys. It's hard to get readings in this place. It's like we're in another dimension."

Luna "Like a time warp thing."

Sailor Mercury "Yes, it's some kind of strange combination of time warp and negative space, and so now, I have to try to convert the radical readings I'm getting in here into the same format as the original ones that got us in here. Only, I'm not sure my computer has enough memory to do all of the calculations."

(Sailor Jupiter is carrying the unconscious Sailor Moon. Though the strongest of the Sailor Scouts, it's still a heavy load.)

Sailor Jupiter "And if there isn't, we'll have to guess."

(Luna and Artemis don't like the sound of that.)

Luna "That means we could be stuck wandering around this creepy cave for days."

Sailor Jupiter "Either way, I'm gonna need some help here. She may be a princess, but she isn't light."

(Then, very groggily...)

Sailor Moon "I heard that."

(Sailor Moon's regained consciousness!)

Sailor Venus "She's waking up!"

(What a relief!)

Sailor Mercury "She going to be okay."

Sailor Jupiter "Sailor Moon, are you all right?"

Sailor Mars "Yeah, you've been out of it for a while. Remember where you are? Remember what happened?"

(Her memory is foggy at first, but one thing sticks out.)

Sailor Moon "Tuxedo Mask. Where is he? Is he...? Is he...? What happened to him? Why isn't he here? Did...did you abandon him?"

Sailor Mars "Of course not! The Negaverse took him."

Sailor Moon "Was he all right?"

Sailor Mars "We don't know. Seems like he was hurt pretty badly."

Sailor Moon "I remember. Oh Darien... What are we gonna do?"

Artemis "Okay, you guys. We gotta talk here. If we're gonna help Darien, you have to understand your past. Luna and I are just remembering it now, too. It's all coming back, isn't it, Luna?"

Luna "Yes, long story, too."

Sailor Jupiter "Are we part of the Moon Kingdom, too?"

Sailor Venus "Yeah, Jupiter. We've just gotta be. I mean, if Sailor Moon's the princess, we must've had important jobs, too. Right, Artemis?"

Aretmis "Right as usual, Venus."

(He and Luna begin the big story, about how it all began.)

Aretmis "A long time ago, we all lived happily in a beautiful place called the Moon Kingdom."

Luna "It was a wonderful, peace-loving time for all the planets, known as the Silver Millennium."

Aretmis "And Princess Serena lived there in the royal castle."

Luna "Her mother, Queen Serenity, was a fair and gentle ruler, who was raising her daughter to follow in her footsteps."

Aretmis "But then, the peace was shattered when evil Queen Beryl found a way to break out of her Negaverse into our Universe. She attacked the Moon Kingdom with a vengeance. Queen Serenity defeated Beryl's strongest warriors, then locked them inside her Imperium Silver Crystal and sent them to Earth."

(That was why the crystal shattered into seven pieces. Each of the seven Shadows were trapped inside a piece.)

Luna "The Moon Kingdom was forever destroyed. Her power broken, Queen Serenity used the last of her strength to send Princess Serenity and her court to a new future on Earth. You girls were all princesses of your own respective planets, but also part of Serena's court."

Aretmis "And then, Luna and I were sent to be your guardians and to reunite you."

Sailor Jupiter "But how come we don't remember any of this? It-it doesn't make any sense."

Sailor Venus "Sure it does. Serenity wanted us to be happy, so she sent us to a new time and place, hoping it would be peaceful there."

Luna "But if the Negaverse did show up again, Queen Serenity made sure we'd be able to activate the Sailor Scouts to fight off any new threats by Queen Beryl."

(Sailor Moon is still trying to let all of the recent events sink in. Sailor Mercury is still working, but listening.)

Aretmis "And now that we've got the Imperium Silver Crystal, Queen Beryl doesn't have a chance against us."

Sailor Mercury "So basically, what you guys are saying is that our battle with them's just begun?"

(That's putting it in a nutshell.)

Luna & Aretmis "Uh huh."

Aretmis "You got it, Mercury, but now that they've got Darien, you guys have got your work cut out for you."

Luna "We've got to beat 'em. If we ever want lasting peace, we're going to have to beat the Negaverse once and for all."

Sailor Venus "We don't want the same thing to happen to us that happened to the Moon Kingdom. Our Universe would be destroyed. We've got to stand up to them, so we have a future."

Sailor Mars "Yeah. All together."

Sailor Jupiter "United as one."

Sailor Moon "Count me out. I don't wanna fight."

(This comes as a shock!)

Sailor Jupiter "Sailor Moon, you don't mean that, do you? You're our leader. We need you."

Luna "And you're the Princess."

Sailor Moon "I don't care. Somebody else can do it."

Sailor Venus "Come on, Sailor Moon. It's your destiny. You're the one."

Sailor Moon "I am NOT, Venus. I mean, I can barely handle being Sailor Moon. Now, I'm the Moon Princess, too? I can't do all this. I'm telling you."

(Oh. She's stressing out!)

Luna "You're just tired. You need some time to let it all sink in, and then..."

Sailor Moon "I DON'T WANT ANY OF THIS TO SINK IN! I JUST WANNA BE A NORMAL TEENAGER! CAN ANY OF YOU GUYS UNDERSTAND THAT?! MY NAME'S SERENA! NOT SAILOR MOON, MOON PRINCESS, NOT MOON ANYTHING! Ooh! Oh..."

(She's way beyond stressed out. She's starting to cry.)

Sailor Moon "Tuxedo Mask is gone, and now we know he's actually Darien, and he'll never call me Meatball Head again. Mercury, get us out. I wanna go home...please."

(Sailor Mars approaches.)

Sailor Mars "Sailor Moon...even though you're a crybaby and an irresponsible whiner and..."

Sailor Moon "Go away, Mars. I don't need this now. I know you hate me. You've always hated me."

(But Sailor Mars is crying, too.)

Sailor Mars "That's not true."

Sailor Moon "It isn't?"

Sailor Mars "Gotta say, never thought you were much of a leader, but I know I was wrong, especially after seeing the way you handled that Crystal."

Aretmis "Yeah, you totally toasted that crud Zoisite."

Luna "A very pretty sight. Hm hm hm hm."

Sailor Mercury "Oh come on, you guys. Let her be for a little while. After all, this is Serena, and this is a very big deal."

(She turns off her visor.)

Sailor Mercury "And here's the good news: I've found a way out of here."

Luna "Good work. Would you say we go get some burgers and get our minds off all this?"

Sailor Venus "Oh yeah. I could go for that."

Malachite "Sorry. Dinner plans just got cancelled."

(Floating in front of them is Malachite, and he's in a bad mood.)

Malachite "I want that Imperium Silver Crystal!"

(Sailor Moon is frightened, but the others stand to defend her.)

Sailor Venus "Luna! Artemis! Better run for cover now!"

Luna "Be careful, Scouts."

Artemis "Stick together. You can beat him."

(And they run for it.)

Sailor Venus "If you want that crystal, you answer to me."

Sailor Jupiter "...and me. Let's double-team him. 'Kay, Venus?"

Sailor Venus "Excellent idea."

Malachite "Oh, ooh. You're scaring me."

Sailor Jupiter "**JUPITER THUNDER CRUSH!**"

(But Malachite puts up a force field. The Jupiter Thunder is absorbed into the force field.)

Sailor Jupiter "What goes? He-he's absorbing all my energy!"

Sailor Venus "I'll take care of it. **VENUS CRESCENT BEAM SMASH!**"

(But the Venus Crescent Beam is absorbed into the field, too.)

Sailor Mercury "This is bad. He's sucking up any energy we throw at him. We've got to find a way to stop him!"

Sailor Mars "What can we do, Mercury?"

Malachite "HA! Nothing, girls."

(And he blasts Sailor Jupiter and Sailor Venus with one of his own attacks.)

Sailor Jupiter "Oh, I'm sure not giving up yet!"

Sailor Venus "Me neither, but what can we do?"

Malachite "Like I said before, NOTHING!"

(He sends another ball of energy.)

Mars & Mercury "WATCH OUT!"

(Sailor Jupiter and Sailor Venus are trapped in the energy ball.)

----- **Commercial Break** -----

(Soon, their energy is completely drained, and they collapse.)

Malachite "HAND OVER THE CRYSTAL UNLESS YOU WANT TO END UP LIKE YOUR FRIENDS!"

Sailor Mars "No choice there, huh, Mercury? Get her outta here!"

(Sailor Moon just stands there.)

Sailor Mars "Hmm...go on! You're the princess. We've got to protect you...and the Imperium Silver Crystal."

Malachite "GET ON WITH IT, WOULD YOU?!"

Sailor Mars "Fine! **MARS FIRE IGNITE!**"

(That is absorbed, too.)

Malachite "PATHETIC! WHAT A JOKE!"

(And Malachite returns the favor with some fire of his own. Sailor Mars is knocked out cold.)

Sailor Moon "NO! Sailor Mars!"

Malachite "Step aside, Mercury! It's not you I'm after!"

Sailor Mercury "Go bleach your roots, creep!"

Malachite "Fine then! It's your loss!"

(He sends powerful winds at her.)

Malachite "NO ONE STANDS IN MY WAY!"

(And he literally blows Sailor Mercury away. Sailor Moon is caught in the wind and is blown back, too, but Sailor Mercury is in a bad state.)

Sailor Moon "Sailor Mercury, can you hear me?"

(Sailor Mercury opens her eyes.)

Sailor Mercury "Sorry, Princess. He was too strong for us."

Sailor Moon "Then I'm history."

(In her mind, Sailor Moon can hear Sailor Venus's voice.)

Sailor Venus "No you're not. You can beat him."

(She hears Sailor Jupiter in her mind, too...)

Sailor Jupiter "Believe in yourself."

(...as well as Sailor Mars.)

Sailor Mars "Our future depends on you."

Sailor Moon "Mercury, Mars, Venus, Jupiter... Oh my friends..."

(So...)

Sailor Moon "Don't worry, Scouts. I won't let you down. Not this time."

(This time, it's Sailor Moon who hears Tuxedo Mask's cry for help when, before, it was the other way around.)

Tuxedo Mask "Help me be free again."

Sailor Moon "Tuxedo Mask! You came!"

Tuxedo Mask "I'm on your side, Sailor Moon, and I always will be. Remember that."

(This gives her new drive. She readies the Crescent Moon Wand and the Imperium Silver Crystal.)

Sailor Moon "COME ON, YOU PASTY-FACED, TWO-TIMING NEGATWIT! YOU'RE HISTORY!"

Malachite "Oh! Sounds like a challenge! SAY GOODBYE NOW, SAILOR MOON! THIS ONE'S FOR ZOISITE!"

(He sends his most powerful forces at her. She raises the wand in defense.)

Sailor Moon "For my friends..."

(The energy ball hits as Sailor Moon struggles to activate the Wand.)

Sailor Moon "FOR OUR UNIVERSE!"

(The Crescent Moon Wand and the Imperium Silver Crystal activate.)

Sailor Moon "**COSMIC MOON POWER!**"

(The combined weapon repels the assault.)

Malachite "She's strong! Surprising!"

(Surprising is an understatement. Sailor Moon drives back Malachite's energies and, with all her strength, assaults him with the wand and crystal's power.)

Malachite "Hmm. The kid knows how to handle that crystal after all."

(The intense power of the Crescent Moon Wand and the Imperium Silver Crystal radiates throughout the entire tower, dispelling it from the time warp.)

Sailor Moon "Woah. Where did that come from?"

(This is so amazing! She's turned Malachite away!)

(Malachite reappears in the Negaverse, having been repelled by the wand and crystal's power.)

Malachite "Oh. I failed. Queen Beryl's not gonna like this turn of events one little bit."

(Queen Beryl, however, is busy with other matters. She is trying to remove Darien's memory, but he's resisting.)

Queen Beryl "Darien's a very stubborn man. Erasing his memory is taking longer than I thought."

(She asks Darien...)

Queen Beryl "Tell me who you are."

(...and, like several times before, he answers...)

Darien "I am...Darien."

(But she's confident.)

Queen Beryl "Not much longer. Very soon, you'll be a warrior for the Negaverse! Your first assignment: getting the Silver Crystal back from Princess Serena."

(Dawn is rising. Out on the rooftop of the Starlight Tower...)

Sailor Moon "I don't know where you are, Tuxedo Mask, but wherever it is, I'm with you."

Sailor Venus "There you are, Sailor Moon."

Sailor Moon "Huh, what?"

(She turns around to find the other Sailor Scouts behind her.)

Sailor Venus "Hey girl, you all right?"

Sailor Moon "Yeah. Fine."

Sailor Mars "Hope you know, we'll always be behind you, no matter what."

Sailor Moon "I know. Thank you."

Luna "You really nailed that guy today. I'm proud of you."

Aretmis "And your mother'd be proud of you, too."

Luna "You girls were all great today. It's going to be a tough fight all the way, but I know we can beat the Negaverse. We've got to."

(Sailor Moon nods, then mentally adds...)

Sailor Moon "...and find Tuxedo Mask, wherever you are out there."

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