

## TRANSCRIPT FOR

### Sailor Moon - Episode 38: "*Fractious Friends*"

*(What is going on here?!)*

**Sailor Mars** "Give up, Sailor Moon! We've got you nailed!"

*(Is Sailor Moon being chased by the other Sailor Scouts?)*

**Sailor Moon** "Ooh, you're such a bigmouth, Mars, but talk's not action."

*(The other scouts jump and circle Sailor Moon when they land.)*

**Sailor Mars** "You'll get action, and then, we'll see your big mouth whining, as usual."

**Sailor Jupiter** "Give us the wand!"

**Sailor Venus** "Don't make us come and get it."

**Sailor Mercury** "It's over, Sailor Moon. Don't be stubborn."

*(This is terrible! It seems that the team is breaking up, and the other Scouts want the Crescent Moon Wand...)*

**Sailor Mars** "What are you waiting for? We're not gonna wait here all night, you know? **MARS FIRE IGNITE!**"

*(...but Sailor Moon isn't going to give it to them. Sailor Mars gives Sailor Moon, and the others, a hotfoot.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Guess I overdid it."

**Sailor Jupiter** "Smooth move, ya pyro! You nearly melted my boots!"

**Sailor Mars** "Oops."

*(This activity does not go unnoticed. Someone is spying on them.)*

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*(Queen Beryl is surprised when a sudden burst of energy radiates from the orb on her scepter. Malachite sees it, too.)*

**Queen Beryl** "Hmm...where's all this strange energy coming from?"

**Malachite** "I think I know, my queen. There's friction between Sailor Moon and the other Sailor Scouts. The Imperium Silver Crystal must be reacting to it."

**Queen Beryl** "Friction?"

**Malachite** "That's what my source tells me. Ninjana, give us your latest report."

**Ninjana** "Yes, master."

*(Ninjana had been the one spying on the Scouts earlier. Skilled in dark ninja magic, she can rise from shadows.)*

**Queen Beryl** "Let's hope she's more reliable than the others."

**Malachite** "She's the very best, your majesty. She's been watching the Scouts for me. Tell us what you've got, Ninjana."

**Ninjana** "Here."

*(She takes two pieces of paper and throws them like shuriken. Malachite catches one, and the other stops in front of Queen Beryl, who takes it.)*

**Queen Beryl** "So what's this?"

**Ninjana** "Take a look."

*(One more thing she can do: she can produce snapshots of anything she has seen. The papers Malachite and Queen Beryl have now produce pictures of the Sailor Scouts' latest quarrel.)*

**Queen Beryl** "Hmm..."

**Ninjana** "The Sailor Scouts are teaming up against Sailor Moon...all four of 'em. I think they want to kick her out and keep the crystal for themselves; choose a new leader."

**Queen Beryl** "Really? Or it could be some very clever trick. It sure looks real, but it could be a trap. Check it out some more before we make a move."

**Malachite** "Ninjana doesn't make mistakes."

*(Bad move, Malachite.)*

**Queen Beryl** "You question my orders?"

*(Watch yourself, Malachite. Remember Zoisite.)*

**Malachite** "You heard the queen."

**Ninjana** "I'll be in touch."

*(She sinks into her shadow and disappears.)*

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*(Mrs. Baker's jewelry store is being burglarized!)*

**Robber** "Nice. Perfect for my little black dress."

*(The lights come on. Molly has a frying pan, and her mother wields a golf club.)*

**Molly** "WHO ARE YOU?!"

*(It's Ninjana!)*

**Ninjana** "No one you wanna mess with."

**Molly** "AAAAH!"

**Mrs. Baker** "Molly, call the police!"

**Ninjana** "Nobody's going anywhere."

*(She produces ninja knives, which she launches at them. Molly and her mother are pinned to the wall.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Career's over, creep!"

*(Leave it to Sailor Moon to pick the prime moment for an entrance.)*

**Molly** "It's Sailor Moon!"

**Sailor Moon** "I am Sailor Moon, Champion of Justice!"

*(Ninjana isn't impressed.)*

**Ninjana** "Ooh, I'm trembling."

*(But then, the other Scouts appear.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Sailor Moon, could we please have a word with you?"

*(But they aren't here to help.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Sailor Mars, can't you see I'm busy here?"

**Sailor Mars** "We're supposed to fight as one, remember?"

**Sailor Moon** "I AM one! OOH!"

**Sailor Jupiter** "Leadership's gone to your head."

**Sailor Venus** "Prima donna."

*(How insulting!)*

**Sailor Moon** "OOOOH!"

**Sailor Mercury** "Maybe we should settle all of this after we take care of the burglar."

**Sailor Mars** "No way! This has been going on too long!"

**Sailor Moon** "This is mutiny! You can't do this to me!"

**Sailor Mercury** "Looks like we just did."

**Sailor Mars** "We're sick of following a dingbat."

**Sailor Moon** "Dingbat?! Oh, a hothead who burns off people's feet is better than that?"

*(This is nuts! Ninjana can easily get away under these circumstances...and she does. If the Scouts care more about arguing than fighting for justice, then this team is in EXTREME trouble. And, as if it couldn't get any worse, who's that young lady who has just appeared in Ninjana's place?)*

*(Next thing the Scouts know, they're being photographed!)*

**Sailor Moon** "OH!"

**Sailor Mars** "What's a paparazzi doing here?!"

*(It's Nancy Vargas, the ace reporter. Molly is shocked!)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Wow, what a scoop. The Sailor Scouts squabbling like a bunch of seagulls. This'll make the front page for sure!"

*(She takes more shots.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Hey! Enough already!"

**Sailor Venus** "Who do you think you are coming in here and snapping all those pictures, and how did you even know we were here anyway?!"

**Nancy Vargas** "That's a secret. So, there any truth to the buzz you guys are Splitsville? Sailor Moon?"

*(She starts up a microcassette recorder and holds it up to Sailor Moon.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh, I know. You're from one of those shows with the hidden cameras, right? My friends are playing a joke, right? Hoping I'll make a total goof of myself. Ha ha ha. Right, guys?"

*(To answer: No, she ain't from that kind of show; no, your friends are NOT playing a joke, and you've already made a total goof of yourself.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Is it true or not?"

*(Nancy decides to address the other Sailor Scouts.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Come on. Here's your chance to dish up the dirt on the REAL Sailor Moon. Hey, we'll pay big bucks if we get the exclusive."

**Sailor Venus** "That's it. I'm outta here."

*(They start leaving.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Yeah, no comment."

*(Nancy follows them.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Uh? Come on, guys. Somebody's gotta have SOME serious dirt on her. Huh?"

*(The door closes behind them.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Ooh, I hope they don't spill."

*(Um, did we forget something?)*

**Molly** "Uh, Sailor Moon. Yoo hoo. Could you help us down?"

*(Oops. Forgot. Molly and her mother are still pinned to the wall.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh. Right. Ha ha. Oh, sorry, guys. I-I spaced out there, Moll. Ha ha."

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*(Wait a minute. Wasn't the reporter questioning the other Scouts? Why is she looking in the store again? This time, however, she's being watched.)*

**Artemis** "Something weird about that reporter."

**Luna** "Yes. Better keep an eye on her."

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*(The next day, Molly tells Serena about the events last night.)*

**Molly** "Good thing Sailor Moon showed up when she did, or that burglar could've cleaned us out."

*(Serena plays the innocent.)*

**Serena** "Hmm. Must've be totally scary."

**Molly** "Yeah, but tell you something scarier: the Sailor Scouts are talking about splitting up."

**Serena** "Huh? Oh, for real? Oh, no. You must've got it wrong. Now, why would they wanna split up when they got such a...a...a...a totally cool leader like Sailor Moon?"

**Molly** "She's spacey."

*(That hurt.)*

**Serena** "Spacey?"

*(Suddenly...)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Hello."

**Serena** "Oh! Oh!"

*(It's Nancy Vargas again! She shows up at the worst of times.)*

**Molly** "What's happening?!"

**Nancy Vargas** "Nancy Vargas, *Daily Surprise*. I couldn't help overhearing. I heard you talking about the Sailor Scouts. I'm looking for the latest buzz."

*(Serena had almost thought her cover had been blown, but, fortunately, as it is...)*

**Serena** "No...comment. Ha ha ha."

**Nancy Vargas** "Hey, I heard ya. Sounds like you got some inside info. You hear about the robbery they busted?"

**Serena** "Ask her."

*(Serena and Nancy look at Molly.)*

**Serena** "It's her store."

*(Molly is terrified.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Sorry. Didn't recognize you without peejays. So now, whaddya know?"

**Molly** "You sure talk fast."

**Nancy Vargas** "Part of the job, so spill. Gimme the goods on that wicked hissyfit the Scouts were into when I walked in."

*(Serena is sneaking away. Molly notices...)*

**Molly** "Huh? Um, I really couldn't say."

*(...and figures out a way to get away from Nancy.)*

**Molly** "Must've had a post-burglary shock or something. Serena, wait for me!"

*(It works.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "If you change your mind, you've got my number."

*(Halfway down the street, and still running...)*

**Serena** "Whew, that was close. Wonder how she knew where we go to school."

*(Again, Nancy had been watched. Artemis had almost blown his cover...)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Huh?"

*(...but lucks out.)*

**Luna** "I'm getting bad vibes about her."

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*(That evening, at Cherry Hill Temple...)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "Faster, you guys! We can't let her get away!"

*(This time, the other Scouts get the jump on Sailor Moon, and she lands face-first on the ground.)*

**Sailor Moon** "All right. That's it. You're not allowed to use my butt for practice kicks."

*(Whew. It was just practice. Guess Sailor Mars's last kick had hit her derrière.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Why don't you try this, Mars?"

**Sailor Mars** "Hey, this is your gig, girlfriend, but every time you eat a little dirt, you just wanna call the whole thing off, and then you wonder why we don't respect you!"

**Sailor Moon** "Well, maybe this isn't such a good idea, but there's gotta be another way to find the entrance to the Negaverse that doesn't turn me totally black and blue."

*(What's this? They're trying to get in the Negaverse?)*

**Sailor Mars** "You wanna free Tuxedo Mask from the Negaverse, then you gotta be willing to take a few knocks."

**Sailor Moon** "I know, but couldn't we practice a little more gently?"

*(So, that little business last night was all training. What a relief.)*

**Sailor Mars** "WHAT A WIMP! Serena, you're the one who volunteered to fake out the Negaverse so they'd think you wanted to quit and then come take you back with them!"

*(What a scheme. The Scouts are trying to trick the Negaverse!)*

**Sailor Moon** "I don't like this plan."

**Luna** "It's too late now. The Negaverse has already got its feelers out. If you didn't want to do it, you should've told us right up front."

**Sailor Moon** "Keep it down. You're making my head hurt."

*(Serena...)*

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*(Next day...)*

**Mina** "Artemis, has there been anything in the *Daily Surprise* about the robbery?"

**Artemis** "There sure has. That reporter was probably in on the whole thing."

*(A rigged robbery?)*

**Mina** "What?"

**Serena** "What? Are you serious?"

*(Mina looks at the article.)*

**Mina** "Look at this shot. Serena, can't you ever keep your jaw shut?"

**Serena** "Excuse me?"

**Mina** "Your mouth looks humongous in this picture."

**Serena** "Oooh. Talk about a big mouth."

*(Oops.)*

**Mina** "Maybe it's the angle?"

**Artemis** "Stop squabbling. We've been watching that reporter ever since the robbery. Nancy Vargas usually works on big political stories or international intrigue, not piddly store robberies."

**Lita** "You think the Negaverse has gotten to her?"

**Artemis** "Gotta be."

**Serena** "All right."

**Other Girls** "Huh?"

**Serena** "That means I'm an even better actor than I thought. That's so cool. The Negaverse totally thinks I wanna ditch you guys."

**Amy** "You mean we want to ditch you, right?"

**Serena** "Oh, yeah. That, too."

**Lita** "There's only way to find out for sure."

**Amy, Raye, & Mina** "Huh?"

**Serena** "Hmm?"

*(It's time to implement Phase 2.)*

**Luna** "Now be honest. You're really willing to go through with this plan? We can call it off."

**Serena** "Nah. Piece of cake."

**Lita** "I know you can do this, but we'll be standing by if you happen to get into trouble."

**Raye** "It's guaranteed if Serena's involved."

**Serena** "What's that supposed to mean?"

**Other Girls** "Huh?"

**Serena** "You know something, Raye? I'm really starting to believe you wouldn't mind if I DID quit."

*(That takes Raye by surprise, and the other girls are nervous.)*

**Mina** "Come on, Serena. You don't really mean that."

**Serena** "Well, it's not like she hasn't made it clear she wants to be leader."

**Raye** "Come on. That's all ancient history."

**Serena** "Oh yeah? Is that so?"

*(Raye just gives her the raspberry. Serena responds in kind.)*

**Raye** "I can do this longer than you."

**Serena** "Wanna bet?"

*(Amy sums up how Lita, Mina, Luna, Artemis, and herself are feeling.)*

**Amy** "Anyone got a bottle of aspirin?"

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*(Serena, with Luna on her shoulder, follows directions to Nancy's place.)*

**Serena** "Okay. This is the place."

*(Serena and Luna gawk at the sight.)*

**Serena & Luna** "Woah."

*(It's Azabu Apartments, the ritziest apartment complex in town!)*

**Serena** "She must take a bazillion pictures to pay for a cool place like this."

**Luna** "Stop gawking and ring the bell already, Serena. Let's get this over with."

**Serena** "All right. All right."

*(Amy and the others are outside the building, in case of trouble.)*

**Other Girls** "Good luck."

*(It just makes Serena more nervous, but she steels herself and proceeds to Nancy's apartment.)*

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*(Nancy answers the door.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "May I help you?"

**Serena** "Nancy Vargas, right? I have a message for you from Sailor Moon."

*(She presents a sealed envelope.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Sailor Moon? Really?"

*(Nancy takes the envelope, opens it, and reads the letter inside.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Boy, her grammar's horrible."

*(It's taking all of Serena's inner strength to keep a straight face.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Says she wants to meet me at the Memorial Park at eleven tonight. Be on time and come alone. Wants to do an exclusive interview for the *Daily Surprise*; discuss leaving the Sailor Scouts."

*(Nancy is curious about something. She asks Serena...)*

**Nancy Vargas** "How did you end up with this? You know Sailor Moon?"

*(Serena comes up with an excuse.)*

**Serena** "No, my friend Molly found it after the burglary, but she's way too shy to bring it."

*(She chuckles to disguise her anxiety, but it drives Luna crazy.)*

**Luna** "Oh, there go my eardrums."

**Nancy Vargas** "Well, thanks a lot. Hope it wasn't too much trouble for you to bring it."

**Serena** "No, it was on my way. Ha ha. Just on my way to the...library."

*(Nancy isn't listening.)*

**Nancy Vargas** "Hmm, so Sailor Moon wants out."

*(It had worked. Nancy's taken the bait.)*

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

*(In the Negaverse...)*

**Malachite** "Beryl's restless, Ninjana. What's up?"

**Ninjana** "See for yourself, Malachite."

*(Ninjana appears hanging upside-down from the ceiling.)*

**Malachite** "You're turning into a bat?"

**Ninjana** "Aren't you the snidemeister?"

*(She has the letter from Sailor Moon. It disappears and reappears next to Malachite, who takes it.)*

**Ninjana** "Check it out."

*(Malachite reads it.)*

**Malachite** "Hmm, she can't spell."

**Ninjana** "I'm meeting Sailor Moon at eleven tonight. I assume you'll be coming."

**Malachite** "Of course."

*(He conjures black flame and burns the letter.)*

**Malachite** "Wouldn't want to miss Sailor Moon's surrender."

*(Nancy is really Ninjana, so Luna and Artemis's suspicions are justified.)*

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*(The clock in the square in Memorial Park chimes eleven. Sailor Moon stands in the square, waiting.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Eleven o'clock. Won't be long now."

*(She's terribly nervous.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh, scary place, but I'm gonna go through with this. I'm gonna find the entrance to the Negaverse, and I'll show those guys..."

*(Ninjana rises from the shadows behind Sailor Moon.)*

**Ninjana** "Sailor Moon, I presume?"

*(Sailor Moon turns around, but sees Nancy instead. Boy, Ninjana's quick.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh, uh, how-how'd you get here?"

**Nancy Vargus** "Hey, let's get one thing straight, okay? I'M the one asking the questions."

**Sailor Moon** "Well, excuse me, but I'm not used to squealing to the press."

**Nancy Vargus** "Hmm. Let's get started."

**Sailor Moon** "Sure. Ask away."

**Nancy Vargas** "You're quitting the hero business?"

**Sailor Moon** "Uh, yeah. Too much competition and petty jealousy."

**Nancy Vargas** "Yeah...so I heard."

*(With the confirmation, Nancy (Ninjana) no longer needs the disguise.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh..."

*(Nancy reveals her true self, and Sailor Moon recognizes her as...)*

**Sailor Moon** "The burglar!"

**Ninjana** "More than a mere burglar. Welcome, Malachite."

**Sailor Moon** "Huh? Malachite?"

*(Sailor Moon looks at the top of the clock tower. Malachite has just appeared up there.)*

**Malachite** "Always a pleasure, Sailor Moon."

**Sailor Moon** "What are you doing here? If I'd have known you were coming, I wouldn't have wasted my time on this airhead."

*(Ninjana is insulted.)*

**Ninjana** "Who are you calling an airhead?"

**Sailor Moon** "Oh, sorry. Must've been misquoted."

**Malachite** "Let's just stick to business, okay Sailor Moon? Here's the deal: You give us the Imperium Crystal, we'll let you come back with us."

**Sailor Moon** "Huh? Just 'cause I quit the Sailor Scouts, bleach-head? No way I'd ever work for the Negaverse, and I didn't come here to make any deals."

**Malachite** "Not even to save your friend? You know, Tuxedo Mask's not doing so well."

**Sailor Moon** "You're bluffing!"

**Malachite** "No, he's very weak. We're not even sure how much longer he's gonna last. That last battle really took it out of him, but I'm sure he'd feel better if you were around. Come back with us, then you two can be together like you want."

**Sailor Moon** "But he doesn't remember me."

**Malachite** "Course he does. That's why we have to destroy you."

**Sailor Moon** "You're lying!"

*(Malachite teleports to ground level.)*

**Malachite** "I don't appreciate being called a liar. Now, if you wanna see him again, you'll hand over the Crescent Moon Wand NOW!"

*(Decision time.)*

**Sailor Moon** "If he IS telling the truth, maybe I can trick him and save Darien all by myself."

**Ninjana** "So, what's it gonna be, Princess?"

**Sailor Moon** "I've got a better idea."

**Malachite** "And that would be...?"

**Sailor Moon** "You guys transport Tuxedo Mask here, and I'll make him better THEN give you the wand. Whaddya say? Have we got a deal?"

*(Not far away, behind some bushes, the others overhear in shock.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Did you hear that?! She'd give up the wand!"

*(Ninjana, who has extremely sensitive ears, hears the voice, though not the words.)*

**Ninjana** "Hmm...Malachite, we've got company."

**Malachite** "Hmm."

**Ninjana** "Want me to get rid of 'em?"

**Malachite** "Don't bother. They're not important anymore."

**Sailor Moon** "So? We got ourselves a deal or what, 'cause if not, I don't like wasting my time with Negasleaze like you."

**Malachite** "Tuxedo Mask isn't strong enough to travel."

*(No deal.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Then forget it."

*(Malachite casts a spell. Powerful winds buffet Sailor Moon. Then, a warp hole appears behind her. It's a portal to the Negaverse!)*

**Malachite** "He's right through that warp hole, and so is your freedom!"

*(Oh my.)*

**Malachite** "Queen Beryl'll give you anything you want. Whaddya say?"

**Sailor Moon** "Kinda creepy, isn't it?"

**Malachite** "What are you? Afraid?"

**Sailor Moon** "No, I'm not afraid, uh, but if I go, you won't let those Sailor brats follow me, will ya?"

*(Sailor Mars takes it as an insult.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Who's that brat think she is calling US brats?!"

*(Sailor Jupiter has to hold her back.)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "It's part of the plan."

*(Back at the square...)*

**Sailor Moon** "I don't know. I need to know more about this warp hole. I mean, no offense, but I don't trust you guys."

*(Malachite gives the silent signal: NOW!)*

**Ninjana** "You're not so dumb after all, kid."

*(Ninjana's headband becomes a whip, which wraps itself around Sailor Moon's neck. Sailor Moon gets her right hand in the loop before it closes, and now she struggles to break free.)*

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

**Sailor Moon** "Help!"

**Ninjana** "Hm hm hm ha ha. Now, where's that crystal?"

**Sailor Moon** "I knew I shouldn't have trusted you, you Negatrash."

**Ninjana** "You poor, innocent soul. It never crossed your mind to double-cross us? It's really too bad you're not a Scout anymore. They could've helped ya."

**Sailor Moon** "But they'll be here. They're still your enemy, you know?"

**Ninjana** "You'd think they'd save you?"

*(In the bushes, the other Scouts think about what to do.)*

**Sailor Mercury** "We should go help her."

**Sailor Jupiter** "We stick to her plan."

**Sailor Mars** "Right. Remember Darien. We gotta get readings on that warp hole with your computer."

*(Meanwhile...)*

**Malachite** "Come on, Sailor Moon. Hand over your Moon Wand. What do you need it for anymore? You're retired."

*(In the bushes...)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "Don't do it."

**Sailor Venus** "Don't worry. She won't."

*(At the square, Ninjana decides to add insult to injury.)*

**Ninjana** "Your friends are here, you know? They obviously don't care."

**Sailor Moon** "Maybe they really DO want to get rid of me. Maybe that was the whole point of this thing."

*(She doesn't know who to trust anymore. Sailor Jupiter sees that Sailor Moon is losing it.)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "I can't stand it. Let's go."

**Sailor Mercury** "Me, too."

**Sailor Mars** "No, we go with her plan."

*(At the square...)*

**Ninjana** "I'm losing patience."

*(Behind the bushes...)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "The plan's failed, Mars, and pretty soon, they'll get the wand..."

**Sailor Mercury** "...and the crystal."

**Sailor Mars** "No they won't."

*(There's just one tiny thing no one has mentioned: Sailor Moon doesn't have the wand. Sailor Mars does.)*

**Sailor Venus** "Sailor Mars..."

**Sailor Mars** "It's not what you think. I didn't steal it. She left it in my room, so I kept it."

**Sailor Venus** "Hey, you know...that wasn't right."

**Sailor Mars** "It's not 'cause I want it."

*(Sailor Jupiter is thinking twice about what Serena had said earlier.)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "You sure?"

**Sailor Moon** "Help!"

*(At the square...)*

**Ninjana** "Give up, Sailor Moon."

**Sailor Moon** "Not without seeing Darien."

**Ninjana** "That will never happen."

*(In the bushes...)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "How's she supposed to fight?"

*(At the square...)*

**Sailor Moon** "Sailor Scouts, help me! I mean it! Really!"  
"You gotta help me protect the crystal."

*(That's it. It's now or never.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Sailor Scouts, CHARGE!"

*(They charge into the fray.)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "Hey, it's about time."

*(Soon...)*

**Sailor Mars** "Back off, if you know what's good for you!"

*(Malachite turns around.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Sailor Scouts are here! I am Mars!"

**Sailor Mercury** "I am Mercury!"

**Sailor Jupiter** "Sailor Jupiter!"

**Sailor Venus** "Sailor Venus!"

**Sailor Mars** "We are the Sailor Scouts!"

**Sailor Jupiter** "Champions of Justice!"

**Sailor Moon** "And not a moment too soon."

**Malachite** "So, you finally showed up. Guess the Scouts ARE still a team."

*(Their cover's blown. Reluctantly...)*

**Sailor Scouts** "Yeah."

**Sailor Mars** "Yeah, well, everybody makes mistakes, eh, blondie?"

*(She attacks.)*

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

*(The fire breaks the whip and frees Sailor Moon.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Oh, that feels so good."

*(Sailor Jupiter and Sailor Venus try a double-team attack.)*

**Sailor Jupiter** "**JUPITER THUNDER...**"

**Sailor Venus** "**VENUS CRESCENT BEAM...**"

**Sailor Jupiter** ". . . **CRUSH!**"

**Sailor Venus** ". . . **SMASH!**"

*(Malachite has to think fast and put up a force field to stop the double blast.)*

**Malachite** "You haven't seen the last of me, Sailor Scouts. So, until next time."

*(He disappears. Meanwhile...)*

**Ninjana** "Sailor Moon..."

*(Ninjana has a sword, and she isn't too happy.)*

**Ninjana** "Give me that crystal!"

**Sailor Mars** "Here!"

*(Sailor Mars tosses the Crescent Moon Wand to Sailor Moon, who catches it.)*

**Sailor Mars** "Sailor Moon, transform her!"

*(Before she can do that...)*

**Ninjana** "Better multiply my odds fast, seeing there are so many of you now."

*(She employs ninja magic and creates four duplicates of herself. Each reveals a set of ninja knives.)*

**Ninjana** "All right. Which one of you Sailor wimps goes first?"

**Sailor Mercury** "I'll go. **MERCURY BUBBLES BLAST!**"

*(Good move. It disorients Ninjana and her clones.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Feel kinda lost in a fog? Well, you are, but not for long. I am Sailor Moon, Champion of Justice! On behalf of the Moon, I will right wrongs and triumph over evil, and that means you."

**Ninjanas** "Try it, Sailor."

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

*(The resultant hotfoot breaks Ninjana's concentration. The clones vanish.)*

**Sailor Moon** "Hah! She's past tense."

*(Time for the Crescent Moon Wand.)*

**Sailor Moon** "**MOON HEALING ACTIVATION!**"

*(Ninjana is transformed back into Nancy Vargas. With the battle over, Sailor Mars asks Sailor Moon...)*

**Sailor Mars** "Are you all right?"

**Sailor Moon** "Huh? Uh, sure, thanks, but I'd like you to kindly explain what you were doing with MY wand, Mars."

**Sailor Mars** "You stupidly left it underneath my bed."

**Sailor Moon** "And why'd you guys wait so long to save me?"

**Sailor Mars** "We were trying to get readings on the warp hole, you big dork."

**Sailor Moon** "Oooh. Well, what was your cue, then? Waiting for my face to turn blue?"

*(Sailor Mars just responds with the raspberry...and Sailor Moon responds in kind.)*

**Sailor Mars** "You're such a whiner."

**Sailor Moon** "It takes one to know one."

*(Here we go again.)*

**Sailor Jupiter**            "Who wants ice cream?"

**Sailor Venus**            "I do, but they're not invited."

*(Sailor Moon and Sailor Mars would've kept bad-mouthing, except...)*

**Nancy Vargas**            "*Daily Surprise*. Heard a rumor the Scouts might be splitting up. Any truth to it, huh?  
Huh?"

**Sailor Moon**            "Sorry. No comment."

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