

TRANSCRIPT FOR

Sailor Moon - Episode 45: *"Cherry Blossom Time"*

(Ann and Alan look at cherry blossoms from their secret room.)

Alien Alan "Beautiful."

Alien Ann "They're cherry blossoms, and every Spring, the people of this planet go out and celebrate their blooming. I've heard they use up a great deal of life energy at this time, and that's exactly what we're looking for."

Alien Alan "Remember long ago when the Doom Tree used to bloom like that, so fragrant and alive? It was so magnificent."

(They recall their more pleasant memories, then return to their present situation.)

Alien Alan "It's perfect. We'll feed our Doom Tree with energy from humans giving homage to their own lovely trees."

(Everyone's excited about cherry blossom time, even Miss Haruna. She convinced the principal to allow her students to enjoy the day. Getting the okay, Serena, Molly, Amy, Raye, Lita, Mina, and Ann all go with Miss Haruna to the park. Of course, Luna and Artemis are tagging along as well.)

Serena "Oh boy. Ditch day from school. Isn't this great?"

Mina "Wow. This is really a major scene here, isn't it Miss Haruna? Everybody's here."

Amy "I bet it was hard talking the principal into giving us the day off to come here. Wasn't it, Miss Haruna?"

Miss Haruna "No, it was easy."

Lita "She told him it was part of our environmental studies."

Raye "Well, it is."

(Ann quietly observes the scenery.)

Serena "Ooh, I can't wait to dig into that picnic. I am so hungry I could eat a...cherry tree."

(Melvin has a spot reserved for Molly and company, and he's getting a bit impatient.)

Melvin "Huh? Molly? Molly? Molly? Molly? Molly? Molly?"

(Then he spots them.)

Melvin "Hi, everybody!"

Serena "Hey, there you are, Melvin."

Molly "Hi. What's shakin', Mel?"

Amy "Yeah, thanks for saving us a place."

Serena "This sure is a great spot you found for us."

Molly "When did you get here?"

Melvin "Nine o'clock last night."

(He stayed here? In the chilly Spring air? OVERNIGHT?!)

Girls & Miss Haruna "WHAT?!"

Amy "But it must have been really cold out here last night. How could you stand it?"

Melvin "The cold doesn't bother me."

(He had come prepared.)

Melvin "I just zipped myself inside my sleeping bag. It's all goose down. I was warm as toast last night."

Miss Haruna "Melvin, you really didn't have to go to all that trouble for us."

Melvin "Well...I didn't mind. I wanted to do it for you guys, and of course, I'd do anything in the world for Molly."

Molly "Huh? You did it for me?"

Melvin "Yes, especially for you, Molly."

Molly "Oh, Melvin..."

(Everything settled, they start the picnic. Serena, of course, chows down.)

Serena "Oh boy! Oh, so much food's going in my tummy! Mmm, mmm, mmm."

(Molly had made a special treat for Melvin.)

Molly "Here, Melvin. I made this for you."

Melvin "All this for me?"

Molly "Your favorite stuff, even the prune shake."

(Melvin is touched.)

Melvin "This is the most scrumptious lunch in the whole Universe."

Serena "Gee, Melvin, it's only prunes."

(Ann is sitting next to Serena, staring out into space.)

Serena "Hey Ann, where's your lunchbox?"

Ann "I don't need food, really. Just energy."

(Serena finds the remark a bit crazy.)

Serena "What?!"

(Oops. Ann had almost blown her cover.)

Ann "Oh. Uh, I mean, uh..."

Serena "Oh, I see. You mean you didn't bring anything with you. That's okay 'cause we've got plenty."

(All the chatter is starting to get to Miss Haruna.)

Miss Haruna "Quiet please. Quiet please, everyone. You're beginning to give me one of my headaches. Now, if you behave really well, I might give you a free period."

(Wait a minute.)

Serena "Oh...aw, come on, Miss Haruna. We're not at school today."

Miss Haruna "Uh...oh yes, that's true."

(Everyone laughs except Ann, who quietly broods. She notices Alan at a nearby tree. Serena sees him, too.)

Serena "Hey, look. It's Alan. Ann, why doesn't he join us? He's always watching me."

(Mina had never seen Alan until now. She asks Ann...)

Mina "That's your brother? He's sure a hunk. Why doesn't he come over?"

Amy "I guess he's shy."

(Alan just admires Serena.)

Alan "Oh..."

Serena "Yeah, maybe, but it's weird. He pops up everywhere I go. You know, I'm beginning to feel like he's following me."

(Alan remarks...)

Alan "So beautiful..."

(Ann has silently joined his side.)

Ann "Do you really think she's beautiful, Alan?"

Alan "Oh Ann, you've got it all wrong again. You thought I was talking about Serena, didn't you?"

(She walks away.)

Ann "I don't care what you were talking about."

Alan "I was simply commenting on all those beautiful cherry blossoms."

(Ann turns around.)

Ann "Well, I really don't care."

(All alone, Ann spins around a tree and reverts to alien form.)

Alien Ann "I'm more interested...in getting fresh energy from these young girls than in watching them."

(Alan has also reverted to alien form.)

Alien Alan "Exactly what I was thinking. Let's begin with a Cardian."

(They return to the secret room, where Alan pulls out his deck of Cardians.)

Alien Alan "So, Ann, pick a good one."

(Ann makes her choice, and the Cardian rises into the sky. Alan plays his flute and summons Cardian Racie.)

(Back in the park, Molly catches a petal from a cherry blossom.)

Molly "Oh, it's so pretty."

Melvin "Yes, but you're much prettier than a cherry blossom. You know, I think you're the prettiest girl in the whole school."

Molly "Huh?"

(Molly closes her fist on the petal.)

Molly "Hey, cut it out, Melvin. I really hate it when you talk like that."

Melvin "But Molly, I can't help it if that's the way I feel about you."

Molly "Well, okay, but don't tell the others."

(Molly notices something odd.)

Molly "Huh?"

(They both turn toward a dead tree. Dark forces are rising from it. Melvin backs up to where Molly is.)

Molly "What is it?"

(Suddenly, the ground beneath their feet glows. They scream as a force field traps them. Seconds later, the force field disappears.)

(Soon, Miss Haruna walks in.)

Miss Haruna "Hi, there you are. Oh, what's the matter?"

(When she sees them, however, she immediately runs to them. Molly and Melvin are out cold!)

Miss Haruna "Melvin! Molly! What happened?! They're unconscious! Oh no! These kids need help!"

(She turns around. A strange woman is behind her. Miss Haruna shakes her.)

Miss Haruna "Please, please, you've gotta help me. You've gotta help me. These poor children..."

(There's a strange look in the woman's eyes.)

Miss Haruna "Huh?"

(Miss Haruna realizes too late that this woman is why Molly and Melvin are unconscious.)

Miss Haruna "AAAAAH!"

(Soon, she's drained as well.)

(Serena soon finds Miss Haruna, Molly, and Melvin. They're rushed to the park operator's office. He examines Molly while Serena watches over Miss Haruna.)

Operator "Hmm, well, she'll pull through, but she's very weak. It's like she's had her energy sucked out of her. Do you know what happened to her?"

Serena "Um..."

(Luna and Artemis are with Serena in the office.)

Operator "I've never seen anything like it. She's the tenth one today. It's really strange."

Serena "That many?!"

Operator "Hmm...it's not hot enough for sunstroke yet. It's very strange."

(Luna and Artemis silently agree: it's the Negaverse.)

(Minutes later, Serena and the cats are alone.)

Serena "And you say all the energy drained out of them."

(Artemis nods.)

Artemis "Hmm, it sure feels like the Negaverse is mixed up in all this."

Luna "I think we should go back where we found her. Maybe we'll find something there."

Serena "Okay."

(Lita, Raye, Mina, and Amy are already there.)

Lita "So this is the place. I don't see anything but trees."

Amy "Yes, I don't see anything unusual."

Mina "Be careful. Stay on your guard, everyone."

(Mina has every right to be cautious. Dark winds soon fill the air. Raye senses it.)

Raye "I feel...I feel a strange energy."

(She turns to the dead tree.)

Raye "Look!"

(Once again, dark energies arise from the dead tree. Then they see something else. Within the tree is a face. Its eyes open. Suddenly, all the girls are trapped in force fields!)

(Serena, Luna and Artemis hear the screams.)

Serena "Oh..."

Artemis "The girls are in trouble!"

Luna "Transform, Serena!"

(She nods.)

Serena "**MOON PRISM POWER!**"

(Summoning the power of her Moon Prism Locket, Serena transforms into Sailor Moon, Champion of Justice.)

Sailor Moon "Huh?"

(She arrives to discover her friends trapped in energy-draining force fields.)

Artemis "Quick! Help them! They're losing energy!"

(Just then, the cause of all the trouble emerges from the tree, laughing evilly.)

Sailor Moon "Eeeeek."

(Quick as a blink, Cardian Racie charges, and Sailor Moon has to quickly dive out of her way.)

Luna "Sailor Moon!"

(Sailor Moon regains her bearings as the dust clears. Racie had left a ditch in her wake. Now, she's turning around for another pass as she laughs evilly.)

Luna "Sailor Moon, use your tiara!"

Sailor Moon "Oh, right."

(Recently, her Moon Tiara's been cutting out early, but it's worth a shot.)

Sailor Moon "**MOON TIARA MAGIC!**"

(But it loses power again! Racie simply bats the powerless tiara away. This is real bad.)

Sailor Moon "Oh, now what? It didn't work."

(Within their confines, the girls warn Sailor Moon...)

Amy "Sailor Moon, don't get trapped like us!"

Raye "Whatever you do, don't look directly in her eyes!"

Sailor Moon "Ooh, its eyes?"

Luna "Behind you!"

Sailor Moon "Oh, what?"

(This time, Racie snags Sailor Moon in her charge. She pins her to the ground.)

Luna "Sailor Moon!"

(Racie's eyes flash, and Sailor Moon accidentally opens her eyes.)

Sailor Moon "Let go!"

(Racie's force field kicks in.)

Sailor Moon "Let go of me!"

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

Sailor Moon "Let go, I said!"

Amy "Sailor Moon!"

(Then the impossible happens: Sailor Moon's Moon Prism Locket shatters!)

Sailor Moon "My locket!"

(Racie's face changes to that of an animal.)

Racie "You're mine!"

(Sailor Moon reverts to Serena.)

Serena "No! I'm changing back."

(Racie prepares to finish the job. Morphing her arms into branches, she ups the power and increases the size of the force field, but Serena, even without her Sailor Scout powers, refuses to give up.)

Serena "I've gotta save them!"

(Suddenly, the ground beneath her becomes a vortex, and it begins to pull Serena in!)

Mina "Serena!"

Raye "Serena, save yourself!"

Lita "Serena!"

Amy "Serena!"

(Serena struggles against the vortex. Luna can't stand just watching!)

Luna "Serena!"

(Luna rushes to Serena's aid.)

Artemis "Luna!"

Serena "You guys! I'm so sorry I can't save you!"

(Luna arrives and tries to help pull Serena out.)

Serena "Luna!"

Luna "Serena, wait!"

Serena "Don't stay here! Save yourself!"

(The help proves futile. Both Serena and Luna are pulled into the vortex.)

Artemis "Serena! Luna!"

Girls "AAH!"

Amy "Sailor Moon!"

Mina "Serena!"

Raye "Serena!"

Lita "Serena!"

Amy "Serena!"

(The vortex closes. The girls can only watch. Serena and Luna are gone!)

(Back in the secret room, the Doom Tree radiates with an intense glow as it receives the energy from Racie's victims. It begins to grow healthy again.)

Alien Alan "Look, Ann. It's like the old days. The Doom Tree's finally getting strong and beautiful again."

Alien Ann "There must be something about these girls' energy, Alan. I can feel my old powers coming back."

Alien Alan "Okay, Racie. Go steal all their energy right now."

(Within the vortex, Serena holds Luna tight. They communicate telepathically as they drift slowly down into the unknown.)

Serena "What'll I do, Luna? I can't be Sailor Moon anymore."

Luna "Face it, Serena. You just didn't feel like being Sailor Moon today, did you?"

Serena "No, I just wanted to be a normal teenager going on a picnic with my friends."

Luna "Well then, that's your problem. As long as you feel that way, you can't be Sailor Moon."

Serena "But then, how can I save my friends, Luna? What can I do? I can't just desert them right when they need me most."

(They arrive in a mysterious limbo. They both drift within this empty place. Serena feels totally open, and Luna is unconscious.)

Serena "Where are we? Luna? Oh, I've been such a pain to look after, and you're such a good, loyal friend. I'm sorry...I got you into this mess. I really am. What's happening?"

(She gasps as a thought crosses her mind.)

Serena "Are we dead, Luna?"

(From out of the emptiness, a familiar voice rings out.)

Queen Serenity "Princess Serena..."

(Serena looks up. The spirit of her true mother, Queen Serenity, floats before her.)

Serena "Queen Serenity..."

Queen Serenity "I'm here in your mind, my dear, and I'll always be here whenever you need me, my dearest daughter."

Serena "Oh..."

(Then she remembers. She assumes her ancient voice.)

Princess Serena "Can you help me please? I do not know how to save my friends."

Queen Serenity "The power's in the locket."

(Serena holds up her shattered locket. It glows, and suddenly they are within a chamber of the Moon Palace. Serena is in her princess gown, Luna is beside her, fully awake, and Queen Serenity stands before them. Then, something floats down between them.)

Princess Serena "The Imperium Crystal."

Queen Serenity "The strength of your desire to save your friends makes the Silver Crystal grow bright and strong again."

(The crystal fuses with the Locket, creating the Moon Crystal Locket.)

Princess Serena "Look at it. It is beautiful."

Queen Serenity "Luna, keep an eye on her as you always do. Help her succeed."

Luna "Sure."

Princess Serena “With the power in this crystal, I can save my friends.”

(Queen Serenity cautions her daughter...)

Queen Serenity “Dear princess, remember, the Silver Moon Crystal hasn't yet regained all its power...but the stronger your true desire to save your friends, the stronger it will become, and then you'll become the Moon Princess once more.”

(Princess Serena prepares to leave.)

Princess Serena “I will make you proud, Queen Serenity. Mother...”

Queen Serenity “Now, say 'MOON CRYSTAL POWER!’”

Princess Serena “Right. **MOON CRYSTAL POWER!**”

(The power of the Imperium Silver Crystal gives the Moon Crystal Locket its strength, and Serena transforms into Sailor Moon once again.)

(Meanwhile...)

Alien Alan “Get 'em, Racie! We need all the energy you can get from those humans.”

(By now, Mina, Raye, Lita, and Amy are trapped in the tree, their energy nearly completely drained.)

Racie “Get ready. Racie's here.”

(Artemis has been left to fend off Racie by himself, but he's not doing too well.)

Artemis “I'm exhausted. I can't fight. I can't hang on any longer.”

Racie “Racie...”

(Suddenly, the full moon in the night sky flashes brightly. Then, it undergoes a brief eclipse.)

Artemis “What was that?”

(Just then...)

Sailor Moon “I'm back! I'm bold! Maybe even beautiful.”

Artemis “Huh?”

(The vortex reopens.)

Sailor Moon “I'm in your face, and you're gonna have to deal with it! Game's over, Negatrash! Time for this card to hit the deck! No one likes a party crasher...”

(Sailor Moon and Luna have returned!)

Sailor Moon “...and nobody invited you. In the name of the Moon, I fight for love and justice! I'm Sailor Moon! I will triumph over evil, and that means you.”

(Artemis is relieved.)

Artemis "I was sure the two of you were goners."

Luna "Artemis, so little faith you have in us."

(Racie, obviously, is very ticked off.)

Racie "Graah! You're mine!"

(Racie charges, this time firing deadly petals at Sailor Moon. She manages to dodge the assaults, but ends up against a tree. She ducks as another blast knocks out a chunk of trunk.)

Luna "Sailor Moon, GET UP! This is no time to sit down on the job!"

Sailor Moon "I don't know if I got it in me."

Racie "You're finished!"

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

Racie "This is it, kid."

(Suddenly, a white rose hits Racie's face, stopping her short. The Moonlight Knight has appeared.)

Moonlight Knight "The cherry blossom looks fragile in the moonlight, but remember, its fragile beauty camouflages great strength."

Sailor Moon "Cool timing, Moonlight Knight."

Moonlight Knight "Sailor Moon, only you can save your friends."

Sailor Moon "Huh?"

Queen Serenity "Princess Serena..."

(Sailor Moon looks up. The Moon glows once again, and a scepter falls from the sky, stopping in front of her.)

Sailor Moon "What? What's this?"

(Queen Serenity's spirit floats in the night sky.)

Queen Serenity "This Moon Scepter will help you in your quest."

Sailor Moon "Oh, Queen Serenity. Thanks."

(Racie, meanwhile, prepares for another attack, but now, with the Moon Scepter, Sailor Moon has a means of dusting off this Negacreep.)

Sailor Moon "**MOON SCEPTER ELIMINATION!**"

(The Moon Scepter's powerful magic bolt defeats Racie.)

Racie "Raciaaahh...!"

(Her card fades to black.)

(Ann and Alan soon realize that their plans have been foiled.)

Alien Alan "Racie's toast."

Alien Ann "But we did get a lot of energy."

(Racie defeated, Raye and the others are free. Sailor Moon props up Amy.)

Sailor Moon "Amy, are you okay?"

Moonlight Knight "You did it, Sailor Moon. You saved your friends, and all because you believed you could do it and found strength in your friendship. Smooth move. See ya."

(He leaves. The others are slowly regaining consciousness.)

Sailor Moon "Oh, that guy's such a major hunk."

Amy "You're a real...friend, Sailor Moon."

Mina "Yeah, ditto. He was right."

Lita "Yeah, thanks."

Raye "You're a real friend."

Sailor Moon "Oh..."

(Luna asks Artemis...)

Luna "Do you think the girl's finally going to get her act together?"

(Artemis nods.)

Artemis "But now the hard part: keeping it together."

(And here's the first test.)

Raye "All the same, you could've saved us a little sooner, you know? What were you up to all that time, huh?"

Sailor Moon "You total ungrateful wretch!"

(She lets go of Amy, who falls right on top of Artemis.)

Amy "Artemis!"

(They go right back into the raspberry contest. Amy comforts poor Artemis while Luna notes...)

Luna "One step forward, ten steps back."

(Sailor Moon and Raye stop the raspberries and turn their backs.)

Raye & Sailor Moon "Hmph."

Sailor Moon "Oh, what a pain!"

(Then she looks up at the Moon. She remembers her mother.)

Sailor Moon "Oh..."

"Thanks, Queen Serenity. I do appreciate getting my friends back, even a brat like Raye."

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