

DRACULA Side #1

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DRACULA

You are a strong courageous woman.
You deserve a strong courageous
man.

MUSIC: Dracula draws closer to her.

LUCY

What are you doing?

DRACULA

Offering you a gift.

He hands her a STRANGE AND EXOTIC FLOWER.

LUCY

It looks like. No, it couldn't be.
Is this a...a Germanious Vita
Vamperious?

DRACULA

It is indeed.

LUCY

I studied them at Oxford. The books
say they're extinct.

DRACULA

And yet here it is. Take comfort
knowing there is more to life than
that which we see in the light of
day.

LUCY

I thought it might be a sundew or a
waterwheel, but this is clearly
carnivorous.

SFX: CHOMP! The flower SNAPS closed, making Lucy's finger
bleed.

LUCY

Ooof! Will you look at that? I'm
bleeding.

She holds her finger up to him, then looks at it, then looks
from afar, while Dracula follows the bloody finger.

LUCY

(excited)
Isn't that something?

DRACULA
(salivating)
Something delicious.

He moves in on her, thirsty for her blood.

LUCY
What was that?

DRACULA
Auspicious. Something auspicious: I
happen to have a handkerchief.

He hands it to her, she wipes her finger on it.

LUCY
Thank you so much. I'll have this
washed and ironed and return it to
you next week.

DRACULA
Don't you dare! I mean, I wouldn't
hear of it. I'll just take that
back from you.

LUCY
No, please. It's no problem.

DRACULA
Really, I insist.

LUCY
But aren't you worried about the
germs--?

DRACULA
Give it here! Now!

He jerks it out of her hand, lunges to the ground inhaling it
in need of a fix.

LUCY
Where did that come from?

DRACULA
You inspire it in me. Lucy - fate
has dealt me a torturous hand.
Being near you only reminds me of
what I don't have.

LUCY
You have everything.

DRACULA

Everything except...the one.

SFX: WOLF HOWL. MUSIC.

DRACULA

You don't know what it is to be alone. From the time I was a child, I had to endure the scorn and ridicule of the other children in my village. I couldn't swing a cricket bat if my life depended on it. Also, they had never seen a boy in a cape. They bullied me; stormed my house with torches and horrible epithets. But I got my revenge.

LUCY

How's that?

DRACULA

By becoming very good looking. Also rich. And immortal. That's pretty major.

LUCY

Did you say--

DRACULA

But you can only drink and shop and sleep around for so long until it begins to feel like you've eaten too much dessert and you're rotting inside.

LUCY

You poor thing.

DRACULA

Which is why it feels so good being here with you.

LUCY

Yes, I rather enjoy talking to someone who's not afraid to get his hands dirty, so to speak.

DRACULA

Help me, Lucy. Help me cultivate my garden, and myself. Help me heal. Share your passion, your strength, your fire. And this is something I've never said to anyone before in my life. Tell me more about you.

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