

Nia Uchiha's Story

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This is about the character that i would be if i were in Naruto. It may not be that obvious in this story but she likes to hunt demons who hate the Uchiha clan.

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Well here we are, not much has changed since I left. I hope Sasuke doesn't get mad at me for not telling him that I'm alive, I said as we made our way through the leaf village.

We were going to meet the new Hokage and do our first demon check of the village. My name is Nia Uchiha if you didn't know that already. I'm on a team with Rene, Gonan, and Eskerna Sensei. They call us the wanderers because of our free spirited dispositions and because we turned down the offers to become Kazekage of the sand village and Kage of the village of haunts. I've lived in the village of haunts ever since my parents died when I was four. I'm twelve years old now.

Anyway, the Hokage turned out to be this grumpy old lady named Tsunade, who had never heard of us. I used a friendly hi and a handshake to hide my disgust. I hate it when people haven't heard of us. Being famous was part of my plan to indirectly tell Sasuke that I was alive. He hadn't heard of the wanderers either.

Sasuke was my older brother. Until one day when my sensei returned from a mission with news of him, I thought he was dead. You could say that from the day I was born the two of us have been inseparable best friends. I keep a picture of us by my bed at night so I will never forget him if we never meet again. There were plenty of places to stay in the leaf village but Eskerna Sensei insisted that we camp on the outskirts of town, in the cold, spider infested woods. Did I mention how much I hate spiders? Oh, now you'll all laugh. The fearless Nia Uchiha is afraid of spiders. If only Kiba were there.

On our way to our camp we saw a team of ninja training. From all of the fan girl squealing that Eskerna Sensei did I could tell that their sensei was Kakashi Hatake.

Hey Gonan, aren't those Genin practicing over there? I asked.

I'd say by the look of them, said Gonan.

Let's get a closer look, they might know&

I froze when I stepped forward to take a closer look because *he* was standing right there. He looked exactly the same as he always had except he was taller. It was my older brother, it was Sasuke. I had no idea what you were supposed to say to someone who you haven't seen in eight years so I stood there.

What's wrong Nia? You look like your Dark Sharingan backfired, Rene laughed.

I feel really weird, maybe you guys should come over here, I said.

Well Nia, you seem nervous. Do you have any idea why that might be? asked Eskerna Sensei.

I didn't know how to answer her question. Eskerna Sensei, what would you say to a person who you haven't seen in eight years?

If you mean like an old friend than I would start by saying hi.

What if this person deserved more than just hi?

Well, I don't really know. Is that Kakashi over there? Hey, Kakashi!

No, Eskerna Sensei, please wait&

As she ran past me I stumbled and fell out of the bushes flat on my face. I looked up and there she was, talking to Kakashi and doing that stupid foot popping thing. Oh no, he saw me, what a terrible first impression. I could tell he knew who I was because he half fainted.

Eskerna, would these be the three kids you've told me so much about? asked Kakashi.

Yes, these are my little wanderers, she giggled.

I will pay you to stop calling us that, said Gonan.

Let me guess, you re Gonan, you re Rene, and you re Nia.

No, actually I m Nia, said Rene.

I m not playing your little game, Rene. I am, however, flattered that you envy me so, I joked.

I was in no mood to play tricks on someone I didn t even know. To make matters worse I couldn t stop glancing up at Sasuke who still looked a little woozy.

Who are these people and why does that girl keep looking at Sasuke? asked one of the Genin.

I recognized the kid as Naruto Uzamaki. He was kind of annoying but also kind of cute. He was in one of my classes at the academy. I was kind of glad he finally became a Genin.

Ya, you better not be getting any ideas little girl!

I didn t know her. Whoever she was I could already tell she was annoying as heck.

Last time I checked, that was not how a Genin was supposed to talk to one of the legendary wanderers, I said.

You haven t changed at all Nia, said Sasuke.

I knew you hadn t lost your voice. I guess it s safe to say that you haven t changed except for your main goal in life. You certainly don t look any different.

So what rank are you now?

Well, officially we re all three Jonin but we ve exceeded the abilities of Jonin ten fold.

Who told you that?

We inferred based on the offers to be Kazekagae and Kagaekagae and the fact that people call for us like I m Batman, Rene is Robin, and Gonan is Nightwing.

Nia, I don t think I ve ever heard you talk as much as you have just now in a full day before, said Eskerna Sensei.

I said more when I had to explain my power to that demon boy.

It seems that she already knows Sasuke, said Kakashi.

So this is Sasuke huh? He doesn t look that much older than Nia. I m surprised at how much you two look the same. I always thought Nia looked more like&

Eskerna Sensei, don t you remember what we told you about using you know what word around Nia? asked Gonan after he interrupted.

What s this little girl to Sasuke anyway? asked the annoying girl.

At first I didn t get why she was acting so defensive but then I realized what was going on and it seemed so obvious. There was no doubt in my mind that she was a fan girl. Poor Sasuke!

After she got done asking her stupid question Sasuke came over and helped me up. He was a head taller than I was but I could see that my abilities surpassed his own. I was hopeful that, like me, his actions would speak louder than his words.

My mind suddenly flashed back to my favorite memory. I was really the only person he had back then because everyone else was too busy to spend time with him. We were on our way home from school and I was questioning him.

Sasuke, do you think I ll ever be great or anything? I asked.

I think you ll be a decent ninja one day. You won t be as good as me though, I m going to be the best, said Sasuke.

Big brother, if you keep such a big head, then it will explode.

We both laughed. Then he kissed me right above my ear like he always did.

After the part where he ruffled my hair I remembered where I was. Everyone was staring at me like I had done something out of the ordinary, and I had. I had thrown a kunai at a tree and called for Mommy (wolf mother) and she was standing beside me.

Why did you call Wolf Mother Nia? Do you feel threatened? asked Eskerna Sensei.
I didn't realize it at first but I did feel threatened. There was a pair of suspicious eyes upon me. I quickly glanced up in a tree that was across from me and saw one member of my rival demon clan. Without a word and without taking my eyes off of that demon I threw another kunai and telepathically called to Screamer (screaming vulture).

Is there anything wrong? asked Rene.

This time I answered, Yes Rene, something is very wrong. I can hear everything going through his mind. He says that he fears nothing.

Who are you talking about? asked Eskerna Sensei.

There was silence as I did the hand signs for my Living Darkness Wolf Mother and Living Darkness Screaming Vulture Juitsu behind my back. No one seemed to notice Mommy and Screamer turn rabid and purple. I closed my eyes and waited for someone to answer Eskerna Sensei.

It has been a while since you've seen us in action. Maybe we're a lot better than you previously thought, Eskerna Sensei, said Gonan.

That was good timing on Gonan's part. The demon had just realized that I had spotted him.

Dark Sharingan!

How? he screamed as he jumped down from the tree.

Challenging the wanderers is the last mistake you'll ever make, demon. Your only error was that we operate telepathically and this whole time we've been deciding how to kill you demon, I said victoriously.

The only error in any plan you could form is that I don't fear, Uchiha, he scoffed.

We'll just have to see about that. I can already see your greatest fear. You're too late to attack me anyway.

What?

Rene, can you see it?

Unfortunately, yes I can. It's disgusting, Rene whined.

Just do it Rene.

Alright, you don't have to be so mean about it.

Rene whipped out a summoning scroll and summoned up the creature my Dark Sharingan saw in the demon's mind. That was all that we needed. Fear distracted the demon long enough for Gonan to detach his arm. Then Rene got out her scythe and it was all over.

Rene was right, it was disgusting but we were used to it by now. I used my Fireball Juitsu and fire came up all around the demon but that was just showing off. Gonan's arm clutched his ankle and black shadows started crawling up his leg.

You don't think it's over, do you Uchiha? This is far from over, he snarled.

This is over whether you want it to be or not. I wouldn't worry though, I'm sure your ancestors saved you a nice cozy spot in Hell, demon, I laughed.

The demon screamed when he felt the searing pain in his leg. Rene jumped high in the air, threw her poison scythe, and put him out of his misery.

That's what you get for saying you don't fear, I said.

Gonan scowled at me, Be careful Nia, you may be standing there now, but any minute you could be doubled over in pain. I told you not to use your Dark Sharingan any more. It fixes too much chakra in one place and uses a lot of chakra too.

Relax Gonan, it only happens every once in a while.

Nia, for someone with a normal amount of chakra it never happens, for someone with an unusual amount of chakra it happens once and it's only a mild case, and for someone with an insane amount of chakra it happens once or twice and it's a serious case. You get a serious case almost every time you

fight. An endless amount of chakra is not a good thing.

I lost track of what Gonan was saying when my chakra took over. I lost control and my arms started shaking as I fell to the ground.

Chakra failure, I said weakly.

See, what did I tell you.

Gonan rushed over to me and started extracting the extra chakra. After I was able to move again I started pulling away with my arms.

What are you doing Nia? asked Gonan.

I don't need your help! I can take care of myself, I cried.

You can't even move your legs.

Gonan grabbed my ankles and started healing my legs. I air punched the ground and something strange happened. I made a huge crack in the ground and I didn't even touch it. Something was wrong.

I let all of the present issues go and looked up at my brother. He was worried about me; I could see it in his eyes.

You are worried about me, but for the wrong reason, I said.

Please tell me what I think just happened didn't happen, Eskerna Sensei demanded in a tone of hopelessness.

I realized what confessing my returning power would result in and my eyes flooded with tears.

What's wrong? asked Sasuke as he knelt down by my side.

It's back, I cried knowing that he obviously didn't know what it was.

What is it?

Six years ago, before I became a Chunin, they realized that I wasn't just any ninja. I had power too dangerous to control. They would have killed me then and there if it hadn't been for Eskerna Sensei. She skillfully traded some of my power for an endless supply of chakra. To this day I still don't know how she did it.

But what does that have to do with what's happening to you now?

The power that I had&has returned.

But your sensei can find another way to hold back your power, can't she?

No, that's why I'm afraid. I don't want to die!

So it is as I feared, sighed Eskerna Sensei.

What is it? asked Kakashi.

Those three operate in a close team. One may not succeed without the other two and likewise with the other two if something should happen to one. If Nia dies then the other two will fall apart. Eventually I won't see any more of Rene and Gonan will retire to his grave.

Are you sure there all twelve years old?

No, Gonan is sixteen but he's only lived twelve years in this world. That's why he looks older than the girls.

So are you going to condone this Eskerna? asked Sasuke.

I'm not going to get in trouble with the law. Our village doesn't have that many laws so they are especially important to follow.

Then I'll keep her with me. That way she won't get killed!

Nobody wants Nia to die, there's just no way we can run from the law. They're all ghosts and they're all annoying. The ghosts see everything that you don't want them to see. They find joy in your misery and play dirty tricks with your emotions. They make you feel terrible. It doesn't matter if you do find a way to hide her; the ghosts will get suspicious when she destroys the entire hidden leaf village!

Eskerna Sensei's sudden venom made Sasuke back off.

Please don't talk about my sister that way, he said calmly.

Sasuke, she's right, I wouldn't want anything like that to happen anyway, I said sadly.

Where are you going Nia?

Don't follow me.

I had gotten up and was walking away into the woods. Right after I disappeared a girl ghost appeared in front of them. She was transparent and her hair and the marks on her cheeks that meant that she was the law were dark purple. Not really sure about her outfit but she floated about with the most terrible look on her face.

I was hiding a few trees back and nearly stopped breathing when I saw the ghost. I remembered that when there was one ghost, the other was always nearby. I looked around the other side of the tree and nearly screamed because Sasuke was standing right there in front of me.

She knows you're here, doesn't she? he asked.

I shushed him and quickly pulled him behind the tree. The boy ghost appeared a few trees away and Sasuke had realized what he had just done. Fortunately, he didn't see us. We relaxed and I almost took my hand off of his mouth but I knew he was going to talk again.

Be quiet Sasuke, he will hover around the spot where he thinks he heard your voice until he finds us, I thought to him.

Then we should run, he thought in his own head.

Don't move! If we run he'll only get to us faster.

What will he do to you?

I told you not to follow me.

When I thought it was safe, I took my hand off of his mouth slowly as not to be seen. Unfortunately, I was wrong and met eyes with the ghost who was standing to our left. I let out a little panicked whimper and Sasuke got out a kunai.

That will do no good against a ghost, we have to run now! I sobbed.

Don't worry, I won't let them get you Nia, he said calmly.

Unfortunately, my foot was caught in a hole and the ghost was slowly floating closer. I was in no position to run and Sasuke knew that. In his panicked thoughts he decided to grab hold of my arms and carry me to safety. I didn't have anything better so I went with his plan and was he ever fast!

Sasuke's plan would have worked if he hadn't been caught in the trap that the ghosts had laid for us.

Sasuke ended up tied to a tree and I was caught under a log. I called for help even though I knew it was hopeless.

Are you stuck Nia? asked Sasuke.

I think so, I might be able to get out, I said.

Don't try; I don't want you to hurt yourself.

I'm too worn out to try.

Just stay put, I'm going to find a way to get over there to you.

Please hurry, I think I hear them coming!

You couldn't possibly hear me coming, ghosts are silent.

There he was that terrible ghost, right behind me. I tried as hard as I could to push the log out of the way but it wouldn't budge. The ghost held a kunai dipped in the most potent poison known to man in his hand. One little cut and I was as good as dead.

Nia look out! Sasuke cried.

His warning came too late and the kunai was embedded in my arm. The ghost cut Sasuke down and he was at my side immediately. That was the last thing I saw before my mind went blank.

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Sasuke carried me back to where the others were being pestered by the girl ghost. He set me down next to a tree and got out a kunai.

Well, it looks like it's time for me to go, said the ghost.

You're not going anywhere! he cried.

Sasuke charged at the ghost, but he fell right through her. He must have forgotten that she's not all there. When he turned around she was gone. When he looked back at me he saw my kunai necklace fall out of my hand. He picked it up and stared at it as if by doing that he would know what to do with it.

You have to push down the top, Rene said breaking the silence.

What is it? asked Sasuke.

Memories. Who are you anyway?

Rene, have you seriously not figured that out yet?

Hey, you know I'm slow to figure things out. I haven't been paying attention either.

Let me help. Who does he look like?

I don't know. He kind of looks like&uh&um&wait, no! It can't be! It is! He looks like&ITACILICIOUS!!!

Shoot me now. Alright we'll go with that. Now, you have to consider who Nia spends most of her time talking about. Then you put two and two together and get what?

Sasuke Uchiha.

I've got to hand it to you Rene that took a lot less time than I thought it would take.

I'm still amazed that I said Itachlicious and didn't get a concussion.

I'll give you a concussion if you don't stop.

Gonan look, the memory thingy is working.

My little kunai necklace opened up when Sasuke pushed on it. It would play all of my memories. Right then it was playing one of the few memories that I didn't like to watch.

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A six year old me was sitting in the middle of a flat, barren wasteland that, only a few minutes before, had been my home. We were due to leave for the Chunin exams that day but couldn't because of my sudden outburst of power. It seemed like I would sit there forever but then I saw a hand reach out for me. The fingernails on the hand were painted black and there was a ring on its finger. I took the hand and smiled up at my brother's face. It was not every day he would actually smile back but then he did.

Stay back big brother, I don't want you to get hurt, I whimpered.

Don't worry, you wouldn't hurt me unless you wanted to, said Itachi.

Itachi, I think you should go.

Didn't you hear what the ghosts said?

No

They said that anyone who has power that they can't control must be killed. That's why you need me to stay.

I hugged him and cried out loud. My friends were standing farther away. At this point I didn't care if my friends saw me hug my brother.

Itachi, I'm scared, I sobbed.

Don't worry, I heard that your sensei already has a plan to keep your powers at bay, he said.

Does that mean I won't die?

There is a small chance that that I won't work, but it's very unlikely.

What will happen if it doesn't work?

Then your power will awaken in about six years. She can only do it once and if it doesn't work then you'll be out of options.

But that was my home. Where will I live?

I'll keep you with me. That way the ghosts won't bother you.

Good.

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Why did she go with him? asked Sasuke.

Nobody knows why she went with him but I'm sure she came to regret her choice after he tried to kill her, said Eskerna Sensei.

That's a lie! I couldn't just let that pass.

Everyone was looking at me. They hadn't seen the girl ghost bring back 75% of my chakra.

Why do you bother Nia? asked Eskerna Sensei.

I bother because I don't like it when people tell lies about my brother! I snapped.

You were the one who told us that he tried to kill you.

It's the way you said it that makes it a lie. I told you that I would never defend myself against one of my brothers even if he were aiming to kill. I told him to kill me but he just couldn't do it.

Are you trying to say that you tried to commit suicide?

What I'm trying to say is that everything he has been accused of doing was false. I did all of it accidentally and he covered it up and made it look like he did it.

So you would just sit back and watch him take your punishment?

The only time it really mattered, I was four years old and had no idea what was going on.

They younger of my two brothers was standing next to me. He was frozen solid and I don't think he was breathing either. I think Sasuke was the only one who made sense of what I was saying.

Nia&t-that's imp-possible you c-couldn't have, he stuttered.

I don't think anybody but Eskerna Sensei realized that Sasuke was my brother.

Itachi was very good at covering up the evidence that all of those things were my doing, I said.

But why did you do them in the first place? asked Sasuke.

You make it sound like I had a choice. I could never control my power. Pretty much the only thing I knew was that whenever it happened, people were going to die. It all started with my dog, Chief.

So you're afraid to tell anybody because you think someone who can do something about it will find out.

I don't care if every good guy in the world knows what I did; it's the bad guys I'm worried about. Sasuke, I think it's time your eyes were opened to the truth.

What are you talking about Nia?

I'm pretty sure that everyone thinks that Itachi is responsible of the deaths of everyone on our clan but me and you. Whoever said that is wrong. If anyone is at fault, then it's me.

That's impossible, I saw it happen myself.

Itachi has erased every piece of evidence that I had anything to do with it including what any witnesses might have seen. He wanted to erase it from my memory too but I wanted to remember what he did for me.

Then you're the only one who has proof.

You don't want to see proof.

Why not?

It's the only memory I haven't seen a second time. I've never touched any memories that had to do with my power. You probably would have seen it if I had stayed knocked out a little while longer. Then something strange happened. This happened whenever I was around one of my brothers. My kunai necklace started acting on its own accord. The few times this had ever happened I had been lucky that I hadn't seen that certain memory. This time I wasn't as lucky. The kunai necklace confirmed that it was a memory that I hadn't seen twice. I prayed for it not to be that one. Fortunately, it only showed what it had to.

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I was lying on my side crying until I thought my eyes would pop out of my head. I looked down at the kunai in my hand and brought it up to rest on my neck. Just before I applied pressure Itachi blasted through my barricade causing me to drop the kunai. If he touched me, he would die unless the terrible power had receded. He proceeded with caution.

DON'T TOUCH ME, YOU'LL DIE! I screamed.

Nia, calm down, I think it's gone, he said.

You think it's gone? You have to know it's gone before you can come near me!

I'm not going to let anyone know that you did this Nia!

You can't change what's already true Itachi!

I already have, now everyone thinks that I did it. I told them I did it on purpose.

Why would you do that?

I don't want you to get hurt.

When did you start caring?

I guess I don't show it, but I care about you and Sasuke more than I care about myself. I would give my life to save yours.

Itachi, there's something else. In the part where I couldn't control my actions there was a summoning jutsu. Sasuke will be coming home soon.

I'll go stop it, you have to leave. Take everything you can carry, you won't be coming back. Your sensei said you are leaving for the village of haunts tonight.

What about you?

I have to stay here and play bad guy.

Do you think I'll ever see you again?

It doesn't matter just go!

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That was all we could see. I was glad it didn't show anything unnecessary.

Why does it do that? I asked no one in particular.

It seems to do that whenever we're around one of your brothers, said Rene.

But it's never acted this way before.

Maybe it acts different when the three of you are together.

I don't understand what you are trying to say Rene.

Was I not supposed to know that?

Rene's eyes were not as quick as mine were. I could easily see where she was looking without anyone knowing. Just as I suspected, he was hiding in the tree behind me.

Didn't I tell you to cover me?

I asked in a way that must have made him feel guilty.

He was too far away, I couldn't get him without giving away my location, said Itachi.

If you're going to be of no use, then why don't you leave? You're starting to be more of a hindrance than a help.

You wanted me to follow you so we would attract more demons.

I attract enough demons on my own. You can go and take some well earned time off.

Whatever.

Man Nia, what's your deal today? asked Rene.

I don't know what you mean, I said.

Usually you're friendly and sarcastic and forgiving and open around him. Today you're all like mean and dismissive.

I'm just really not in a good mood today Rene.

3 - Part 3: All About Nia by Itachi

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On their way back to the Akatsuki hideout Kisame had a few questions for Itachi.

Itachi, why are you so obedient to that girl? he asked.

I have my reasons, said Itachi.

She s Nia, isn t she?

Yes but that s not the reason.

Alright, what s so special about Nia?

Nothing in life has ever been hard for her to achieve. She hasn t ever really had to work hard for anything.

Hmm, she sounds like a total powerhouse. I bet she squanders her time doing pointless things.

Nia was never one to waste time. She mastered the Sharingan on the day she was born. Her first words were fear is power and that s been true for her from the start. She became a Genin at age four. At age six she awakened the advance Sharingan and made Chunin.

I don t think I ve ever heard of the advanced Sharingan before.

She is the only one who has it. She uses her Living Darkness Wolf Mother Juitsu and her Living Darkness Screaming Vulture Juitsu as types of Genjuitsu. She can read minds and create an ultimate defense.

So when did she become a Jonin?

She was ten years old. That was also when she awakened the thing she is most famous for, the Dark Sharingan.

What does that one do?

It allows her to see what people fear most, and then she uses a special poison called fear gas to make the person think that she is their worst fear. It doesn t matter how strong you are, nobody is prone to her Dark Sharingan. It s because nobody is completely fearless.

What about you?

She knows what I m afraid of.

Then you must know what she s afraid of.

Well, she s afraid of a lot of things, especially spiders.

What are you doing for her?

There s a clan of demons that hates our clan and she wants me to make them extinct.

So your sister isn t the perfect little angel that she claims to be?

She never has been, she has said and done a lot of things that would have gotten her in trouble if she d had a chance to say and do them.

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I know we were all relieved when we heard that Kakashi insisted that we stay with him. That meant that we wouldn't have to sleep with hairy spiders. Actually Rene, Gonan, and Eskerna Sensei stayed with Kakashi. I got to stay with my brother. That made me even happier.

I found out that Sasuke had taken care of Skittles for me. She had grown a lot since I last saw her. She was big enough to just barely fit into the tiny dog door that we made too small to begin with. She wouldn't have fit into the shoebox that we first found her in.

Later that night Sasuke discovered something I had been keeping a secret. I was upstairs taking a shower and he was downstairs sitting and staring at the wall. He jumped a mile when he saw someone in the room. He knew it wasn't me because he could hear me singing in the shower.

There was a little girl sitting on the floor next to the couch. She was pale and gaunt and her long black bangs ended over her big blue eyes. Her hair was tied into two neat pigtails with stringy black ribbons (no bows). She was wearing a gray shirt that was a size too big for her, her skirt went down past her knees, and her feet were bare.

Sasuke felt bad for the little girl who was staring at him.

You have a lot of sadness in your life, she said.

She had a squeaky voice. Her statement scared Sasuke as it does for most.

Who are you and what do you know about my life? he asked desperate to get away from her gaze.

I know all about you Sasuke. It's not good to keep your feelings bottled up inside, tell me your secrets. How do you know my name?

I know everybody's name. Don't worry, you can trust me. Tell me everything you wouldn't usually talk about. I won't tell anyone.

Sasuke knew he must be imagining things but the girl seemed so real. He couldn't take his eyes off of her. He felt a bead of sweat roll off his forehead. From that position he could see her features better.

What he'd thought were pigtails were really two black rabbit ears. Her real hair was short and messy. She had a nose that seemed to be painted black. Her tiny fingers had sharp fingernails on them like little claws.

My sharp senses heard his uneven breathing and I ran downstairs. I found the two of them having a staring contest.

Gina, I thought I told you not to bother him, I sighed.

But his past looked so interesting and I wanted to know more, she protested.

That's what you always say. Sorry Sasuke, I forgot to introduce you to Gina. She always comes with me on overnight missions.

He wouldn't tell me anything.

I'm the only one who ever will. Go back up to my room where I left you.

When she was gone I sat down next to Sasuke. He was still a little dazed but he was doing better than most.

Are you alright? I asked after it had been a while and he was still silent.

I'm fine, he said to my great relief.

Don't let her do that to you.

What did she do?

It's a kind of hypnosis. I don't know what it does or why she uses it yet. I've only known her for two years but I'm already used to it.

Is she always like that?

Yes, she likes to feel other people's heartache because she has none of her own. Did she upset you?

She wanted me to tell her my secrets.

I gave him a hug thinking it would make him feel better but instead it brought tears to his eyes. We were both thinking about the same thing. When we were little we shared a room and when it rained we used to stay up late and watch the drops fall down the windows. After sitting silently for a little while we would start talking about our troubles and try to make each other feel better. I'd most likely get scared of the thunder and he would hug me. That was the part where Mom would come in and tell us to go to bed. I missed my mom.

So there we were, a couple of teenagers, crying our eyes out. I know I said before that I was twelve but I considered myself a teenager because my birthday was a week away. I didn't really think that Sasuke would be that emotional but then he told me that he thought I was dead. I wished I could have stayed in the leaf village with Sasuke but I had to find more demons. I couldn't stay until their entire clan was dead.

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The next day Skittles and I sneaked out the front door bright and early. Sasuke and Gina were still asleep. Our objective for the morning was to find a certain person that goes by the name of Kiba Inuzuka. I was hoping that he hadn't forgotten about me. I was, after all, his girlfriend. I hadn't even thought about what I would say to him.

Not too long after we set out Skittles got tired and jumped into my hood. I was glad she hadn't grown too big to fit in there because that was her favorite hiding spot. I loved Skittles.

When I was four I had two dogs, Skittles and Chief. Sasuke and I found Chief, a full grown old English sheep dog, one day when we were walking home from school. He told me that his family beat him and kicked him out. We asked Mom if we could keep him and she said yes but Dad was less enthusiastic about it. About a month later we found Skittles in a shoebox and she told me that nobody wanted her because she was a runt. Dad was even less enthusiastic about Skittles but he said yes and made us promise not to bring any more dogs home with us.

No more dogs was a rule that I took full advantage of and gave Dad a reason to change it to no more animals. Only days after becoming a Genin I brought home a wolf pup, a peregrine falcon, a vulture egg, and a bald eagle chick. When he asked me why I insisted on bringing a bunch of wild animals home with me I told him the truth which was that I love animals. He told me that I could love the animals I had because I was not going to keep an in-home zoo.

I was deep in thought as I walked down the street and I failed to notice that someone was calling my name.

What is it? I asked a voice I didn't really recognize.

What do you think? I barely recognized you and I was about to give up on you ever coming back. He said as he caught up to me.

I turned around and saw Kiba standing in front of me catching his breath. Akamaru was sitting on his head.

How long have you been following me? I asked.

I didn't think you wouldn't remember me, Kiba said putting his hand behind his head.

Are you kidding? I sneaked out early to go looking for you.

Uh Nia, do you still consider us a couple?

Of course, why do you ask?

Well, a lot of people have been telling me that it's childish to think that if your girlfriend leaves and doesn't come back for years she'll still remember you. I don't really understand what they mean.

I don't think it really matters as long as you're still in love with her when she comes back. I often wonder what love means to a four year old. To a child so young a kiss is a sign of friendship more than it is a sign of affection. I really only saw you as a guy I liked as a friend who wasn't my brother.

You mean you never did feel the same way?

After he said that we both blushed.

Now Kiba, I wouldn't say that. As I grew older like turned to love. I couldn't stop thinking about you even when I was talking about my brothers.

I did hear one of your friends say that all you talk about is Sasuke.

They exaggerate things.

So, are you back for good now?

Unfortunately, I can't be back for good until I complete my seemingly endless mission. But now that I can give you directions you can come visit me.

I hope you won't be too much longer.

I'm thinking about learning a new technique so I can finish it faster. Then we can spend more time together.

I was just thinking about something and I was wondering if you knew anything about it. Why had everyone been making such a big deal about you being here? Did I miss something?

Well, I'm sort of legendary now.

Oh, well I am too, haven't you heard anything about me? Just kidding.

Kiba, you are so cute.

I gave him a big hug and we were this close to kissing but Skittles and Akamaru stopped us. We both laughed and I scratched Skittles behind her ear just how she liked it.

Skittles is right, I'm still too young. Forgive me Kiba, I have to go now, I said sadly.

Don't be sad, it certainly was good seeing you again, he said.

Kiba was still a little dazed from before. He was blushing like crazy again when I kissed him on the cheek and ran off. He was just like I remembered him and Akamaru was even cuter than I remembered.

I would have to try not to let that distract me while I finished my mission. Unfortunately it was time to leave the leaf village but I was certain that I would return to it very soon.