

The new girl, Fujimi

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Sakura and Naruto make a new friend! But who exactly is she?

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Naruto and Sakura were taking a break from training one day and were strolling around Konoha, looking for something to do. Although they were dying to stop working with Tsunade and Jiraiya for a little bit, the truth was, they couldn't think of anything to kill time with. Suddenly, Naruto piped up, "Hey, I'm hungry."

"Tell me something I don't know."

"Can we go to Ichiraku?"

"Again?"

"PLEASE?????" *puppy eyes*

"Fine, I know you won't stop bugging me if we don't." So they headed for the ramen shop.

When they got there, they sat down and took their order. While waiting, Naruto looked around and spotted a girl that he hadn't seen around town before. She was wearing a dark red tank top over chain mail that reached down to her elbows. She had long, dark brown hair that reached to her waist, kept back by a red headband. Her hitai-ate leaf headband was around her waist, and her denim skirt had black leggings underneath. Her eyes were bright blue and she wore a little bit of red lipstick. Naruto nudged Sakura and pointed at the girl. "Hey," he said. "Have you seen that girl before?" "No," Sakura said. They continued to look at her until she looked back at them and smiled. Suddenly she got up and moved, sitting down right next to Naruto. "Hey," she said. "Name's Fujimi. I just moved here from the Hidden Sand village. What's your name?" "Naruto," said Naruto. "Sakura," said Sakura. "Nice to meet you." said Fujimi. At that moment, the chef gave them their food. They continued talking. "So," Sakura began. "What do you think of Konoha?" Fujimi said, "It's really nice, a lot bigger than Hidden Sand. I could get used to things here." Naruto replied "Good to know." Then he turned to Sakura and said, "Hey, what do you think Jiraiya and Tsunade are doing right now?" Then Fujimi said, "Whoa, whoa, hold up. You mean THE Jiraiya and Tsunade?" Then Naruto, deciding to impress Fujimi, said, "Well, yeah, we're their students." "Wow. Who's under Orochimaru, huh?" Fujimi meant it as a joke, but it sent Naruto and Sakura into silence. "What's wrong?" Fujimi asked. Sakura said, "Our 'friend' ran off to be his student."

"Oh, sorry."

"No," Naruto said. "It's okay."

"What was his name?"

"Uchiha Sasuke."

"Hey, that rings a bell! Uchiha, Uchiha.... oh, I remember now! Lord Gaara said something about fighting him in the Chunin exam finals. But, wow, he just ditched you guys like that? He needs to have some sense slapped into him." Naruto and Sakura were a little stunned at her last sentence. They finished their ramen and left the restaurant. As they walked around, Sakura and Naruto saw Kakashi through the bookstore window, looking for something in the aisles. Sakura said, "Hey, do you mind if we stop in here for a second?" Naruto knew what was going on and smiled, but Fujimi looked confused. They walked inside and as Naruto tried to sneak up on Kakashi, he heard him say, "I know you're there." Naruto stomped his foot as Sakura came up to Kakashi. "Kakashi-sensei, good to see you. Meet Fujimi. We met her at the ramen shop." Fujimi walked up and said hi. Then she said, "What's that about?" She was referring to the Icha-Icha Paradise book Kakashi was holding. "Ah, I can't tell you that," he remarked.

"Then I have no reason to be here. Naruto, Sakura, I