# Tear & Haelo \*Their story from the start\*

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Hey Everybody! If you like Tear and Haelo I suggest you read the story of how they came to be. I really hope you like it, but please read it. This is a Romance/Comedy/Drama story. YAYNESS I CANT BELIEVE I'M WRITING A STORY!!

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# 1 - Angel come back to me...

ATTENTION: This isHaelo and Tear's story. This story will be told in both 3rd personand 1st person. From HPOV: Haelo's point of view to TPOV: Tear'spoint of view to \*rarely\* MPOV: My point of view. Make sure you pay attentionto one of those right before each section. \*Each section is divided with a ~TPOV~\*Just so you don't get all confused ok? Anyway, I hope you like it!! I don'tusually write stories, but if you like it then I will continue!

### ~HPOV~

"Bishie!!" All of a sudden thisweird blue haired pink eyed girl came out of nowhere. She just jum[ed right out of an alley way.I wasn't too surprised or anything I mean this kind of thing had alwayshappened to me since I was like 5. Girls were always attracted to me. Except...therewas something about this girl. She was so outgoing and showed no hesitation orshyness as the other girls had. Her smile was a little more...

"JEEZ LADY!WHAT'D YOU WANT FROM ME!!!" Uh, never mind.

Then she gave me this teary-eyed look. Like I had just taken away her very soul. "I...I'm sorry." Then she broke down and cried.

0\_o... "Look, sorry. You freaked me out. Iwasn't expecting that, don't cry." I walked up to her and helped her up. Hereyes were glowing with happiness. Wait, was it just me or was she just crying?

"YAY!! I KNEWIT! YOU HAD TO CONFESS YOUR LOVE TO ME, THERE WAS NO WAY YOU COULDRESIST ME!!" She ran up to me and squeezed my body till all the breath insideme had long since vanished.

I quickly pushed her off and ran away. Iwasn't going to admit it but this girl scared me. She was so strange. Oh,well...I guess it's just more experience for the next crazy girl. Time to justhead home...

## ~TPOV~

"Where'd he disappear to?" I had justseen the most beautiful guy in my life. He was gorgeous! A little taller thanme, blond hair, blue eyes so deep and pure you cantstop staring into them, beautiful smile, gentleman, HOT!! I need to know hisname! How could I do without him? Especially when he's the only one who took meaway from my...

"Tear, get you're a\*\* over here! I WILLBEAT YOU if you EVER run off like that again!" My boyfriend ran up to me frombehind and pushed me to the ground. Sadly nobody saw him. We were in the alley.When I had seen that guy he had passed the entrance. When he was here I hadforgotten the whole reason I was in here... but it didn't take very long for me tobe reminded.

"I'm sorry, I got lost! The store was outof alcohol." I covered my face before it could get smashed in.

"Liar...I take you into my home, love you, and protect you from this place and you thank me like THIS?!" He kicked me hardin the stomach while I was still on the ground. My stomach churned and I threwup. I never was one for pain.

Tears started streaming down my face. Ilooked up at him and whispered "Your right, I'm sorry. I'll never do thatagain... I was just so...so...ungrateful." What was I supposed to do? It was true. Hetook me in from the street and gave me home. He wasn't so angry back then, but took what I could get.

"I'm going to get it myself. You can stayhere and think about what you've done. And if I don't find you here when I comeback... you wont have a home, or a head." He hit me again and walked out of thealley cussing and giving me these harsh looks. I scooted back away from my vomit and leaned against the ally wall. Ijust looked toward the opening hoping that my angel will come back to take meaway from my night mare. Just his presence had made me forget, when not a soulhad existed to me besides my boyfriend Nick and me. I usually just basked in myown sadness and tuned everyone out...

I could only pray for happiness, andwait. Someday, my life would be taken and I would be gone from everyone's livesand make this world a better place. Or by a slimchance... I'd one day... be loved as I once was.

Endof Chapter One!! How was it?

# 2 - My Saviour!

#### ~HPOV~

Before I stoppedhome I decided to go to the market for some chips and milk. I walked in andheaded for the chip section. "Fritos, Doritos, Lays...No Ruffles?" So I went to to theDairy.

I guess I shouldtell a little more about myself. I'm 18 and my parents died when I was 12. Itwas a plane crash. I had ended up in the hospital from the lack of food for thefirst few years. I was never hungry, I was quiet, never responded to a girlsproclamation of their \*so called\* love. All I wanted to do was sleep in my roomand listen to music. What's a kid without his family? I was an only child, so Iwent to a foster home. They were cool and everything. I mean it's a miraclethey dealt with my frequent tantrums. Iwould throw things at them they and would calmly tell me to calm down, then they would come hold me as I cried.

Once I had a tantrumso bad that I hurt my foster mom. So my foster dad went to her and cried. Hesaid that he didn't know why he took such a stupid child into his home. That hehated me for doing this to them and that the only reason he hadn't thrown meout was because his wife was softhearted. She had taken me in like a lostpuppy.

Ever since then Ican't stand it when people cried. I never threw another tantrum after that. Andwhen ever I see someone cry, I myself wanted to rip open and tell them mysituation was worse. I wanted to tell them to shut up and stop whining, but Iwould always quickly walk past them before I lashed out.

For some reason Ihadn't felt that way in front of that blue-haired girl. Strange, but I wantedto comfort her as if I was telling myself that it was okay. I wanted to see heragain, but I DID NOT want her to see me. Who knows what she could do to me... Whywas she so different to me? She was just another weird girl...

I picked up my 2%milk and paid for it. As I headed for the door this angry guy came in andsmacked the milk out of my hand and punched my face. I tumbled backward; I wasa little shocked this came out of nowhere. I swung my legs up and jumped backup. Then I went up to the guy, who was still walking towards the beer section.All I could think was "The LAST thing this guy needs is some alcohol" So Iwalked up to him, grabbed the neck of his shirt, turned him around, shoved himagainst the nearest wall, and asked him if he was going to pay for that beforeI reported him to the cops. \*(sarcastic) Like I would0\_^\*

He looked me in theeye then gave me the money straight from his pocket. He was a little shorterthan me, had green blood shot eyes, and black brown hair. I let him go and lwent for some more milk. This guy was weird. All I wanted to do was go home,watch T.V., and go to sleep. My regular routine. Did I mention the cashier wasstaring at me the whole time and told me to keep the money? Yeah, I justlaughed it off.

Before I could push the door open that same guy who hit me the first time ran past me smacking themilk out of my hand as he ran out. I just took a deep breath, picked up mymilk, and walked out the door. There was no point in starting all over.

My apartment wasonly a block away from me. So I got there in about 5 minsfrom the market. I put my keys in the lock and twisted it. Opened the door,looked around at my empty home and went straight to my bed. The fight wore meout, probably the adrenalin rush.

My eyes fell shut in a matter of minuets. I went to the only place Iwasn't lonely and hurt...in my dreams...which this time included a blue-hairedangel.

### ~TPOV~

About 15 minuets ago I left the alley ina desperate means of escape. If I puked one more time I don't think I wouldhold my sanity much longer. So, I just walked on. Not knowing where life willlead me or what road I'm taking.

What about that blonde dude? Would lever see him again? Would I ever forget of my life once more? Next time I seehim, I won't say anything I'll just stare from a distance, and I don't careabout talking to him just to see him. As long as I can. I'll try my best not toscare him next time. Just a little while is all I need. A small vacation fromliving death

All of a sudden I heard someone calling out tome from a distance. I stopped and turned. It was HIM. NICK! I had to get awayforever. I Suddenly I ran as fast as I could. On my left there was an apartmentcomplex and on my right there was a pond. For a second I wasn't sure what todo. There wouldn't be enough time to drown before he'd save me and bring meback to hell. So I ran into the apartment complex and went to the first door Isaw.

I knocked on it franticly and this tall blackhaired guy with golden eyes opened the door. For I second I was stunned by thissudden model in my presence. Quickly I came back to my senses and told him tolet me in or I would commit suicide. It didn't take very long for him torealize that I was serious and he let me in and shut the door.

"LOCK IT!!" I ran to the nearest hiding spot. Which was under his bed in the next room.

"Okay,okay calm down lady!" He locked the doorand walked towards the bed. "What's happening? Cops? Molester? What?" Heflipped up the blanket and looked at my expression from under the bed. I wasclose to tears. I was scared and shaking. Any moment he could be knocking on the door. Nick wouldn't let me live unless I went back to his house and let himbeat me before practically raping me.

"Please...no matter whoknocks on that door... don't let them in..." As I said this I started to break downand tears flowed freely. "Don't EVER LET HIM IN!!" The guy was staring at meblankly not knowing to do. Then he asked again,

"Who is trying to get you? I'll help you if Ican but tell me what's going on." He reached a hand out to me and I shrunk backfurther under the bed. "Okay okay..."

It was silence for a minuet. All heard was mysobbing and whispers too quiet for him to make out. When I could collect myselfenough to speak I slowly told him. "My name is Tear...sorry...but...if I didn't come here I may be dead right now."

"Why?" He asked once more. I slowly lifted myhead up and looked him eye to eye. He was lying on his stomach with his headpoked under the bead staring at me intently.

"I....I.....don't know." I really didn't. How had mylife come out this way? On the run, with no home, sitting under some guys bed, cryingbecause I didn't know any way out or what to say.

"Well, you can stay here tonight. But it's not gonna help anything if you stay under there. Come out and I'll get you something to eat and drink." He got up and walked toward thekitchen.

About 3 minuets later I crept out from under thebed and went to the corner of the room and sat. I looked around the room. Itwas a nice apartment. He had to have a little wealth. In his room alone he hada king size bed, leather couches, a big screen T.V. built into the wall, areally cool fan with nice lights that you can dim if you wanted, a surroundsound system and a nice dresser with a few pictures on it. His room was agolden color and when you turned the lights off it looked brown. The corner of the room I was sitting in was the only corner with no stuff in it. And youcouldn't see her from the door.

To my right there was a bed stand with afew pictures on it. I glanced over them when...when...I saw a picture of...the...the...angel? He was smiling with the guy whose house I was staying in wasnext to him giving him bunny ears and laughing. My heart leapt. I picked up thepicture and stood up I stared at it for a long time then ran into the kitchen.

"You okay now? Glad to see you came outdo you li~" Right then I cut him off.

I shoved the picture in his face andasked, "HOW DO YOU KNOW HIM?" For a second he just stared at him and then hegot a really serious expression on his face.

"Did he do this to you? Ugh! StupidHaelo! Look, he freaks when people cry, I'm sure he didn't mean it. Oh MAN!He'll hear it from me! I'm calling him right~"

"NO he never did this to me. Never! Howdo you know him? Haelo...Is that his name or yours? Don't worry about who right now. WHO IS THIS?" He looked dumbfounded butanswered me non-the-less.

"Uh...that's my cousin. His name is Haelo.My name is Ben. How do you know him?" I looked at the picture again. I couldn'tbelieve it! No wonder this guy was gorgeous! He was related to my angel...myangel HAELO! I knew his name. Haelo, Haelo, Haelo!

"Nothing, I just, met him today and I kinda ran into him and I wanted to tell him I'm sorry." Iwasn't going to tell him that I was obsessed with his cousin. Plus, maybe hecould help me find him.

"Oh...right. Uh listen, he's not very fondof girls. So how about I just tell him sorry for you. Do you like ramen? I couldn'treally think of anything else." Suddenly I smelled the food and my stomachknotted

up. I was STARVING. I hadn't eaten in 3 days and I puked earlier, sowhy not?

"Yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes!! I'm sohungry, I haven't eaten in forever!" I was jumping around with a smile on myface.

"Finally you smile! Well sit down at thetable and I'll make you some ramen. He smiled at me and turned around to startmaking me my food. I stopped jumping around and stared at him. I was astounded.He was...the closest thing I had to home in a long time.

"Ben?" He turned around and smiled.

"What's up?" I walked up to him andkissed him on the cheek.

"Thank you! I'm really sorry that I just bargedin here. Now I have you making me ramen and a place to sleep." He blanklystared at me for a moment and went back to cooking.

"Guess you picked the right house huh?No problem! I was getting bored anyway." He glanced at me and winked.

"...Yeah." I smiled to myself and walkedover to the table. His apartment had 4 rooms. Kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and afront room. I was so happy for the moment. I didn't have to worry right now.Nick can't get me here. This was the closest I got to my angel. Or was HE myangel. No, no he couldn't be. Sure he WAS cute. But I felt like he was abrother, something I hadn't had in a long time. He gave me a reason to live. Ihadn't felt love in so long. I almost forgot what it was...

# 3 - Bliss Is A Fear That It Will End

### ~HPOV~

\*GASP\* I sprung up from my bed and held my heart. It was racing too fast. It was another bad dream. This one was about my last time Isaw my foster parents. His eyes...my foster dad's eyes. After that he swore to never see me again... These memories are starting to hauntmy sleep.

What time is it? I rolled over and looked at my clock nextto the bed. "9:00...Hmmm I think Ben's Still up orshould be. Maybe I could crash there tonight." I got up, put a shirt on andpicked up the phone and called Ben.

#### "Hello?"

"Hey Ben...I had another nightmare. Can'tsleep, so I wanted to know if I could crash there. I've got a lot ofthings on my mind lately."

"Sure, I have some company though. Hope you don't mind."

"Cool. I'll come over in about 30 minuets? K with you?"

"Yeah, that's fine. Bring your own blankets though. I haveto use the others for my guest." "K, later."

"Bye" \*click\*

Weird. It's not like Ben to havecompany over. I wonder who it is. I hope his friend is cool with me comingover.

I looked in the mirror at myself and decided I lookeddecent so I got my blankets and got something to eat. Some captain crunch I wassick of it but nothing tasted better to me right now. Out of no where I juststarted thinking about that girl again. It started to bug me. If I didn't seethis girl again I think I would die from lack of thought. She took up my time.

Trying to get her off my mind I turned on the T.V. andwatched some weird game show. As soon as this was over I would go over and tellhim about that girl. Maybe talking about her would get her off my mind. Tillthen, T.V. was my savoir.

#### ~TPOV~

"Ben,your so funny!" I was laughing for the past hour overBen's jokes and humor. We were sitting on the front room floor and talking. Itold him earlier what had happened to me and he promised I could stay as longas I wished. I thanked him endlessly and told him how much that meant to me. Ivaguely got some info on Haelo. But I didn't talk toolong on the subject so as to avoid questioning.

"You'vesaid that so many times!" He laughed and I just stared at him and smiled. "Whatis it?" He was puzzeled and confused by my stare.

"Nothing. I still can't belive I'min here right now. I would've never guessed before something so

perfect wouldhappen." I fell back on the floor and laughed happily. I was free right now.Nobody would smack me for joking or telling them my opinion. Nobody was goingto force me to love them. Just one look at Ben and you would know he wouldnever do anything rude or vulgar. He was so sincere.

"I'llgo set up your bed k? Oh yeah, we're going to have some company." He smiled atme and walked toward his room.

"Whois it? Some friends? Family?"Seeing some of his friends would be cool. Even if they were remotely like Benl'm sure I would fall in love with who they are.

"Oh, just some family. I like to have family over often so Ihope it doesn't bother you." He shouted from the other room.

"Noproblem! I would love to meet some of your family!" Ben just laughed.

"I'msure you would." He laughed coyly. I never really thought he meant anything byit. So I just overlooked what he said. "Tear? Do you sleep with 2 pillows orone?"

"Idon't mind!" Again, I was stunned by all the respect and hospitality he hadshown me. I felt like a princess.

"Ok!I put down a air mattress and blankets with pillows bymy bed so if you need something you can just wake me up ok?" He said walkingback to the room.

Iblushed. "Uh...I won't do that."

"Don'tworry about it! I won't be able to sleep knowing you might need someone. Sopromise you will?" He spoke freely over something so hard for most guys to say.

"I...uh...Iguess I promise in that case!" He took my hand and helped me up.

"Wanna watch a movie in my room? I have a huge collection orwe could watch PPV!" He was still holding on to my hand. I looked away for amoment. "Oh! Sorry! I didn't mean to make you feel uncomfortable." He quckly slipped his hand away from mine.

"It'sokay. Lets go see what there is to watch! ~^\_^~"

HeDID have a huge collection of movies! It was amazing. All in alphabetical ordertoo! I quickly picked out one of my favorites and he popped it in the DVDplayer.

"Hey Ben?" Uh oh I forgot something.

"Yeah? What cha need?

"CouldI take a uh..."

"Youneed to clean up? Sure the towels are in the bathroom. Right is cold and hot isleft. Take as long as you like." He pointed towards the bathroom. I walkedtoward it and turned around. He changed it to T.V. so that we could watch themovie later.

Icouldn't belive it. I've never known a guy who didn'tmake rude comments about me getting naked or coming in with me. Nick and all ofhis friends made taking a shower a chore. I avoided getting naked as much aspossible.

"Doyou have a t-shirt and some pajama pants I could wear?" I asked quickly stilltrying to avoid feeling awkward.

Heblushed and nodded. He got up and got come clothes for me to wear. "Here you go.Their gonna be big though..."Handing them to me I thanked him and started my shower.

The only thing I was scared of was this dreamending. I would never go back with Nick...not alive. Iwould kill myself anyway possible before dying by his ownhand. The warm water running down my body never felt so good in my whole life. The smell of my early puke was coming off. My hair that was all knotted up anddirty was getting cleansed and coming back to it'soriginal color blue.

Iclosed my eyes and tilted my head back. My problems were being washed away.With every drop

falling to the shower floor was ever tear I had shed today.Except, I don't think I could shower that long enough to equal the same amount.

Today...rightnow in this moment... if I died it would be with a smile on my face for finallyfeeling love. For finally being me and me alone. To not be scared even if only for a millisecond. Somedaythis angel who I had found, and his family, would know who I was. I would get a little bit of paradise withevery glance he threw my way. Just once more...I must see him again. Till thenhis cousin, his blood, would take me in his care...

## 4 - The Meeting Of Insanity

### ~TPOV~

I stepped out of the shower and put myclothes on. His green pajama pants were half a leg longer than my leg length, so it was hard to walk in them without tripping. The shirt was extra long alsogoing down to my knees. I figured I was lucky enough to have clean clothes in the first place.

I stepped out of the bathroom and saw Benwatching some game show that was just about to end. When he noticed that I hadgotten out of the shower he glanced at me then did a double take. He juststared at me with his mouth open.

"What?" I asked. He was either surprised fit into his clothes or...

"...wow." He whispered. He obviously was nowhere near Earth at this point.

"Are you shocked I actually fit into yourclothes?" I smiled and he came back to his senses.

"Wha...uhno. It's just, your hair was so much darker youalmost look like a different person now!" He laughed. I smiled at him and toldhim that I was sorry I had been dirty when I came in his house. Again he saidthere was no need to apologize.

"We gonna watchthat movie?"

"Yep! I may need to get up during the movie though in order to get the door. Does that botheryou?"

"No problem!" He pushed play on the controller and went into the kitchen to get some popcorn. I was already gettinginto the movie. It was a comedy/romance, my favorite. Ben came in with the popcorn and I hastilygrabbed some of the popcorn and popped it in my mouth. He laughed and afterthat he didn't exist to me anymore. I was so absorbed in my movie everythingwas gone except the screen. So I didn't even notice when Ben got up to get the door.

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"Hey cuz. You can crash on the couch tonight,my guest is using my room." Ben patted Haelo on theshoulder and Haelo just ignored him and put his stuffdown on the couch.

"Thanks for letting me stay here again. Icouldn't sleep." Haelo sat on the couch and laid back on the arm of the couch. Lacinghis hands behind his head.

"No prob."

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All at once I noticed Ben walk in theroom. "Wha?....uh youleft?" I was kinda out of it for the momentconsidering that I was a zombie from watching the screen for about an hour now.

"Yeah, uh family got here. Don't worryabout it you wont even know he's here." Just as he wasabout to sit on the bed I jumped up from the bed and flingedmy arm through his.

"No, introduce me Ben!" I smiled and himand winked in excitement. I couldn't wait to meet some more loving people fromBen's blood.

"Alright but....he's not too fond of..."Right before he could finish his sentence I dragged him into the room as Ibounced in with my eyes shut, I wanted it to be a surprise. So I walked in theroom and proudly anouced,

"Hi, my name is Tear!I'm glad to meet some of Ben's family!" I smiled with my eyes shut a bit longerexpecting someone to grab my hand and shake it. Yet, nothing but silence in thewhole room...not even Ben was speaking. Slowly I opened my eyes...

OH... ~HPOV~ My...

~TPOV~ GOD!

The second my eyes laid on the scene infront of me my eyes blurred and I was shaking. My first instinct was to run,but where. Second was to keep on going like I didn't care, but I did. Third, Iwanted to rush into the arms of...

## ~HPOV~

I couldn't belive it. The breath was knocked out of me... The veryreason I was here was to escape the thoughts... Yet here she was, flesh andbones, standing in my cousin's pajama's, no doubt his girl friend. I couldn'tspeak, my voice was lost.

"Is...she...your...uh..." I stammered. Was she his girlfriend? I wasn'texpecting a GIRL to be here...much less.....her....

"No! Uh I....uh...Imean....." The girl bursted thesecond I mentioned it. I looked over at Ben who was uncomfortable. Yet somewhat looked a little hurt. Deeply.

"Long story, lookuh...Tear this is Haelo, Haelothis is Tear." He took my hand and her hand and put them together. I quicklydrew back.

"Oh, sorry bro lforgot...." The second I touched her I was flushed. She really freaked me out. Igot my blanket and my pillow and placed it on the couch. Looked at them boththen said as calmly as I could ..."GOOD NIGHT!" Only it sounded a little morethan calm... I collapsed on the couch and went under the covers immediately whilethey were just standing there watching me. But what was I SUPPOSED to do?

"Ben...could I talk toyou?" I heard the girl say as what sounded as if she were forcing him into thenext room.

## ~TPOV~

"I thought your grandpa was coming overor something! Not your....uh" In that instant I clapped my hand over my mouth. Ihad forgotten that I had only told Ben that I wanted to tell his cousin sorry.Now by my red face and out burst it was easy to tell that I had other...feelingsfor him.

"Tear, why are you freaking out? Isthere something you forgot to tell me about him?" He placed his hand on my armand looked at me earnestly. I drew back from him so he wouldn't feel mequivering. I quickly shook my head side to side. "Alright well why don't we go back to ourmovie...I think Haelo needs some, uh, alone time." Hewalked over to the bed and he started up the movie once more. But the

wholetime on the bed my eyes only faced the door way. He was IN the next room. Right now, this very instant. Something HAD to be done about this, I swore to myself that I would speak to him. But maybe not now...sometime when Ben wasn't watching... So Ijust took a deep breath and and finished my movie, even though my only thoughts were 'Whatdo I say?'

~HPOV~

Why was she HERE? Myheart was racing a million times a second and I was beating myself up for it...This girl.... Why did she mess me up so bad? What was her name? Terra? Tina? Oh who cares!?! I was feeling a million emotions at the sametime. I couldn't sleep...at least never tonight. So I got up and walked over tothe door which held the room they were in. I reached out for the door, reluctant to open it. I was so afraid of what future I was opening up with thisdoor handle. Who knows? Maybe she WAS his girl friend! What if I were to run inon them making out or something? What if she was naked? OH GOD....0\_0....who am I?

I turned on a heeland plopped on the couch once more. I was so restless. I felt like screamingout of anger, confusion, insanity, happ....happi....happiness.... I wanted to spy on her. Figure out whyshe was so interesting to me. Not now, later, when she was asleep and so wasBen. Or listen to them talk through the door... I WAS going to find out moreabout her, whatever it took... she just couldn't know.

I closed my eyes andtook another deep breath. Trying to calm my nerves.Got to try to sleep if I'm going to spy on her later... Slowly the adrenalinwashed away, leaving me tired, limp and drifting off into a deep sleep.

Wellthat's the next chapter! Hope you liked it! Now for the nextone.... COMMENT PLEASE! \*its hard to write thisstory when im not motivated. Took me long enough towrite this chapter...

# 5 - The Secret Meeting At Midnight...

## ~TPOV~

"Gasp..." I woke up fromanother bad dream. I dreamt Nick was about to take me into his bedroom and... Iglanced over and saw Ben. Immediately I forgot about my dream. Ben felt guiltythat I had to sleep on the floor and decided to make his bed a few feet awayfrom mine on the floor; even though I told him I didn't mind the least, heinsisted that he wouldn't sleep if he didn't. I smiled at how peaceful helooked while he was sleeping...

"Ben..." I whispered as I put my head back on thepillow staring at him. His eyes barely opened for a moment. I feared I woke himand didn't want him to stay awake so I closed my eyes, he wouldn't see melooking at him. I opened one eye barely and he was once again asleep.

Then out of no where I heard the door handle turning, and I freaked thinking somebody had broken in. I slid under the bed trying mybest not to make a sound. But just as I was pulling my last foot in I hit itagainst the bed and I immediately heard the stranger get closer to me. Istopped breathing and eyed the end of the bed awaiting death. Was it NICK?!?!Had he found me? Oh no... I left Ben out there to DIE in his sleep? WHAT KIND OFPERSON AM I?!?! T\_T

All of a sudden the bed skirt lifted up... For amoment I couldn't really recall the persons featuresbecause my eyes had blurred from fear. Then I noticed some blond hair and myheart leapt. All at once I remembered what had happened the night before. Myangel was here. Except for some reason I had become even more scared then lalready was, somehow him seeing me cowering under abed humiliated me.

"Uh... are you okay? You look kindauh.... Never mind its none of my... um...bye" He left justas quickly as he had come. I sat there stunned. Emotions swept through me as Irealized I ONCE AGAIN had missed my chance to speak to him.

"CRAP!!" I whispered as loudly as I could tomyself without waking Ben up. I crept out of the bed as silent as I could andhurried towards the door so I could stop him before he slept.

I opened the door and found him sitting at the tablewith him ruffling his hair and then resting his head in his crossed arms that laid on the table. He looked stressed. 'Great... he probably is disappointed he spent the night with his cousin and some freaky girl who, for no reason, likes to cower under his cousins bed.

I walked up to where he sat, though he didn'thear me coming. I just admired his hair for a moment, thenI attempted to make conversation. "...hi..." My voice was weak and shaky.

His head just shot up at me and he watched mewith this blank stare. For a moment the moonlight had caught his eyes and the shinedthe brightest color blue. It seemed like an hour before anyone said anythingelse, then he answered me...

"Um...sorry for barging in on you I uh... forgotthat you were in there...I was trying to get Ben." My heart sank... He didn't wantto see me? I realized he messed up, if he was looking for Ben then why did helook under the bed. And Ben never woke up from Haelo, when he woke up with just the whisper of his name? He WAS looking for me?Wasn't he?

~HPOV~

'Oops... That didn't come out right. Now I sound dumb... how could I forget about her... she probably thinks I think she'sstupid'

"No...don't worry about it, I probably looked stupid though... I kindaforgot you were here and well... I thought somebody broke in so I crept under thebed..." She just started laughing as I stared at her. Yep... she was an odd one. A pretty odd one... She stopped laughing andlooked at me...

"No worries... look I usuallydon't warm up to strangers too quick so uh... sorry for what happened earlier. Ididn't mean to be weird or anything." I looked away from her gaze and towardthe window.

"Same with me... I was a bitweird too. Sorry." I glanced back at her. She was just smiling. I looked backat the window trying to calm myself once more. I WAS getting what I wantedright? I just don't EXACTLY have to SPY on her now...

"So you got dumped on thecouch?" I looked over and found her laying on my bed. Why was she so different from this morning?

"Yeah...Heh, thanks to you." Ididn't even smile as I said it. So I guess I looked pretty mean to her.

"Sorry, I seem to always getoff on the bad foot with people..."

"Well don't glompa guy in the middle of an alley when they don't even know you dude." Then itwas quiet. After a moment I looked at her... She was just staring at the floor onthe couch with her back facing me.

I got up and walked over to herand reached out my hand to touch her shoulder to turn around when I heard a sobcome from her throat. I grabbed her shoulder and yanked it toward me. Shelooked up and started shaking... She was scared of me now. But...I couldn't control myself anymore... my past was over coming me...

"STOP IT! Don't you DARE cry, you stupid girl. STOP it RIGHT NOW! Cry over something DUMB and it gets you NOWHERE you KNOW THAT?? Why can't you just get over it" Then I was cut off. Ben had pushed me awayfrom her and started yelling at me. Even though my thoughtswere still so blurry I couldn't understand him. All I saw were those sadeyes of hers... ripping through my soul. Making me more insane every millisecondI dwelled on them. All of a sudden Ben slapped me and I looked up at him. Hewas so angry. Why? Why did he care so much about her? Didn't he just meet her?

Ok I don't do thismuch but I am now doing Ben's Point Of Veiw!!YAYNESS!!

~BPOV~

"Whatis your PROBLEM? What did she EVER do to you? Leave her Alone YOU HEAR ME don'tTOUCH her. NEVER touch her. IF you do I SWEAR you WILL NOT be welcome anymorel..."

"Ben! No stop! It'sokay...Uh...um...er...he didn't mean it I'm just overreacting he's right. Please don't disown him. He loves you! Just be there forhim...I cant take anymore yelling..." Once again she burstin to tears and shook violently. It cut me to the core. Immediately I ran toher and scooped her up in my arms. She just cried into my shirt. I carried herto the room and looked at Haelo one last time... "This the one thing you MUST control your emotions with..." Then I shut the door andled her to her bed.

I started wiping away her tears. "Stop it..." Shemoved my hand away... "Don't... I'm not used to this... so much has happened to me... Idon't know what to do......" Then she trailed off into meaning lesswords through her tears. Every tear was coming down like a flood, I couldn't stop them if I tried. But still I keptbrushing away from her face as she wept. The more they came, the morefrustrated I got. Tears welled up and I looked away so she wouldn't see me cry.She needed someone strong right now. Not another break down. Howwas I supposed to help her if I cried as I wiped away her tears...no. Aguy doesn't cry.

Every thought weighed on me more. I becameembarrassed and ashamed for crying. I moved back away from her and tried tokeep my voice steady. "I'm sorry... I'm so sorry..." But they didn't, they came outbarely readable and insecure. Anger arose in me. "What did he DO?" I practicly shouted. I became angry at myself for yelling ather, confused and sorry. Holding these tears back were the hardest task I hadever taken on...

### ~TPOV~

"Ben, stop... your hurting everyone and yourself.I," I had to stop to choke some tears that were still coming "Really I'm okaynow I, uh, I..."

"NO! YOU STOP IT! YOU ARE BEATINGYOURSELF UP! IF YOU NEVER CRIED THIS WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED THIS WAY! IWOULDN'T BE SO CONFUSED IF YOU NEVER SHOWED UP!! WHY DID YOU HAVE TO PICK MYDOOR???" I couldn't take it. At that moment I felt more alone than any othertime in my life. It seemed I made everyone miserable. For some reason though, instead of wanting to run away and drown myself in the lake, I had their resistible urge to hold him close to me.

About 30 seconds of silenced passed and leapt to him. Wrapping my arms around him as tightly as Icould. The second I touched him he burst into tears. For a moment he laythere limp in my arms weeping hard. Then I felt him respond. He held me aswell.

Both of us sitting there... in the middleof the floor. In the moonlight shining through the bedroom window, 2 totalstrangers, in love and I didn't know why. So much can happen, in so littletime. I looked up from his shoulder for a moment, his clock was there... the timewas... 12:45... This meeting would lastforever in my mind. The meeting at... midnight...

# 6 - "What's so funny?"

### ~TPOV~

As I woke up I tried to lift up my arms tostretch and yawn, but looked down to see Ben's arms around my shoulders. Ismiled as I looked at his puffy eyes. They were closed but it still looked likehe was crying. You could tell by his eyes that he didn't cry very often and hisbody wasn't used to the sudden burst of emotion. He cried so hard, that when hefell into a long deep sleep. We were lying in the same spot I had held him lastnight. Something inside me was healing when I was comforting him. Like it was amagic healing tool. Almost as if he knew just what to do...

I turned my head towardsthe window. It was slightly cracked and some wind blew through it leaving thecurtains to flow in the room. There was a soft sunlight spilling out onto thefloor, I looked at the floor and remembered how the moonlight had done the samething last night.

Suddenly my thoughtswere broken as Ben muttered something I could barely make out. I turned back tohim and watched him as he spoke in his sleep. Then an idea popped into my head..."Maybe I could manipulate this... :P"

Okay...letssee. I'll start off with the easy questions first. Stuff I couldn't ask him ifhe was awake. "Ben... Ben... what's your cousin Haelo's interests?"

"Haelo...he likes... good music... being alone... somewhere peaceful, like...um...a lake, beach...ortall grass field where he can think and nobody can see him... black...is...his..uh...color.He is fond of it...I suppose it kind of explains who he is... he has such a desireto be......" He went back asleep. And I tried to get him to wake up a little moreso he'd answer me.

"Ben, what does Haelo desire to be?" I whipered into his ear, being careful not to tickle him orwake him up.

"...He wants to be... invisible...or invisible with someone who wants to be invisible as well...he says...he says...uh..uuhhhmm...that...ifonly he was invisible... with someone he loved... then he would be able to controlhis emotions, because.... He wouldn't have to see them cry... his past...is...hard forhim... I guess...and..." then he fell asleep again. I wanted to hear more but helooked like he was on the brink of opening his eyes. So I just up my head backon his shoulder and waited for him to awake when instead he started to ask mesomething...

"Why...did you ask about Haelo...why did you get flustered when you saw my cousin... howdo really...really know...h..i..m.." I could barely read his words... But he lookedlike he was still sleeping. I figured there was no harm in telling him, Ireally wanted to tell someone anyway. Since he was asleep, if I said somethingwrong, he would forget it right?

"Remember how I told youthat Nick left me in the alley? Well, as I was layingthere, I was near suicide.

Actually LOOKING for something tokill myself with. Then just as I was about to cut myself with... a pieceof glass I found, Haelo passed by the entrance of the alley. As soonas I saw him I dropped the glass and forgot what I was doing. At first itfreaked me out, because I had no idea what I was about to do, I just saw asmall cut on my arm, and I was about to go up to him if he saw what I wasdoing. But then I saw how cute he was and ran up to him just to tell him he wascute. He didn't take it very well and shoved me off and ran off. The moment heleft I looked at my arm and I tried to figure out why that cut was there again.So I just went back into the alley and sat down. But all I could think aboutwas where Haelo was, so when Nick came back, I almostforgot who he was. Until he said my name, then all horror came back again..." Istarted shaking. For some reason I felt like I was re living the whole thingall over again as I spoke to him. I tried to hold my tears back but I let oneslip and it fell onto Bens face.

His eyes flashed open, and he franticly sat up and picked me up with him. "Why are you crying? Whathappened?" He wiped my face and I just laughed. He looked so funny. His hairwas a mess and his left eye was still half closed. Not to mention he wasswaying side to side... "Well?...what?"

"Oh, itsnothing," I wiped a tear away from laughing so hard. "Its just you jumped up sofast that you were still...ehem...still half asleep." He smiled and got up to go to the bathroom as I was stillaughing my head off. But it wasn't just him that made me laugh, it was also he fact that I had gone from serious and depressed to tickled and smiling.

While he was in therestroom I stood up and walked to the door. As I twisted the handle I was stillhalf giggling and opened the door. I just passed the couch totally forgettingsomeone was on it, talking to myself, and walked into the kitchen. "Ben... he'sso funny. Even when he doesn't mean it. I...wonder what Haelo is like when he's not around girls..."

"He's probably still ajerk." As soon as the words left his mouth I spun around on the heel to see Haelo watching me with a smile on his face. The back of thecouch was facing me and his head was poked up behind it.

"Uh, no, I mean...that'snot what I was gonna say, um, sorry. I didn't mean tobe uh..."

~HPOV~

"It's okay, listen, I'm really sorry for being so weird lastnight and... gawd Ben's gonnakill me once he gets me alone." I rolled my head in my hands. He's going to too, you'd have to be a fool not to notice that he,

"Oh yeah? Why will he kill you? Ben doesn't SEEMlike that type... at least I hope not." She got out a box of cereal and startedpouring it into a bowl. From the corner of my eye I saw her smile.

"You'dhave to be a fool not to notice he's crazy about you. Itsamazing. He swore he wouldn't fall in love again after his last girl..." For somereason I was determined to make her give up on him. I don't know why but I was...sort of jealose. Why? Stupid question cuz it always goes un answered...

"Areyou saying I'm a fool?" I looked at her, she had a serious expression on andshe was frozen in the place of pouring her cereal.

"Am I?" I started laughing. For really, no reason at all. Ijust couldn't stop laughing. Something about her made me crazy. Sometimes in a good way...in others...a bad.

~TPOV~

What asmile...

~HPOV~

"Did Imiss something?" Ben walked into the room and sat beside me on the couch. Hewas now wearing some black jeans with a black button up shirt. He alwaysdressed over the level you need to when your at home. I would just stay in my P.J.'s all day.

"Yeah, she was just talking about how crazy she was about you, it was THE FUNNIESTTHING! I mean, how could someone like you?" The girl threw a pen at my headthat was on the kitchen counter.

"Shutup, I was so not. I mean..." She looked at Ben. And he was grinning. What did they do last night?

"Ben,do you like her?" I asked with a smile still on my face. But for some reason, Iwas the ONLY one smiling. Ben and the girl were both staring at each other. AndBen kept looking at me and back at her. SILENCE... But all atonce the blue haired girl...

YAYNESS! I hope you guys likethis chapter... Gawd was it hard to write. I think I rewrote it 3 times and I'm still not satisfied... o wells. Comment please, nextchapter up soon! ^\_^ COMO

## 7 - Sing that song to me...

Yayness here's chapter 7!

~TPOV~

I dropped the cereal box and ran out of the room and into Ben's. My heart was beating so fast, and I was beat red. If I stayed in there I might've hurt his feelings... And that was the LAST thing I wanted to do to Ben or Haelo...

I sat down on the bed and turned on the T.V. trying to get that conversation out of my mind. I turned the channel to music videos and "Sugar, We're Going Down" came on. I had never heard it before but it sounded cool. \*Nick never let me watch the music videos I liked. He only let me watch the heavy metal music videos. But sometimes I got to watch mine when everyone was gone\* I listened to the lyrics and quickly learned them. In the middle of the video, Ben started knocking on the door.

"Tear are you okay? He didn't mean to upset you, it was just playing around. But I wasn't sure how to react." I turned down the T.V. and let Ben in. "I'm sorry, Tear I just..."

"No, I'm sorry," I laughed. "I locked you out of your own room, sorry. I'm pretty dumb. You invite a crazy, messed up girl into your home and she takes over your room. I'm not being a very good guest..." I looked up and him but he was still serious. My smile faded...

"I never thought you were crazy...my room is yours if you wish it to be..." He looked into my eyes and right then the music flowed through my mind... \*We `re going down, down in an earlier round (take aim at myself) And sugar we're going down swinging, (Take back what you said) I'll be your #1 with a bullet, (Take aim at myself) A loaded God complex, cock it, and pull it...\* He smiled and started singing with the lyrics as he passed me to go to his bed. His voice was actually pretty good. Almost exactly identical to the main singers voice... wow...Only I liked Ben's a bit more. At the very end while he was watching the music video, the last few words he made this cute gesture, as was sitting on the edge of his bed looking at the screen he did the following...

"A loaded God complex" He put his hand up in the shape of a gun,

"cock it," he cocked his head to the side \*so cute .. \* and winked one eye,

"and pull it" he acted as if he shot the screen. Then the song ended. And he stopped singing.

"Nice singing...Do you sing often, like in front of a crowd?" I walked over and sat with him on the bed. He looked over at me like he forgot I was there.

"Oh, sorry... that song rocks. Everytime I hear it, I just kinda tune everything out. What were you saying?"

"You're a good singer, I liked it. Are you in a band?" He smiled but still looked confused.

"I used to be in a band in high school, but we broke up. So thanks for the compliment I guess...What about you, do you sing?" I quickly shook my head no. He laughed.

"I dunno, I like to sing to myself sometimes when I'm alone, but ive never really sung in front of someone..." He took my hand and drug me into the bathroom. `*What is he doing?*' I was kind of scared to go in there with a guy alone, but I quickly shook off the feeling knowing it was Ben.

"Sing! People always sound good in the bathroom!" He looked enthusiastic for some weird reason. Why the he\*\* did he want me to sing?

"Wha...no! I told I probably suck at singing Ben! Besides I only sing WITH music, and it has to be a song I like!" I walked out of the bathroom, and realized it was almost 1:00 and I was still in my P.J.s and didn't have anything else to wear but the rags I had before...

"Ben, excuse me." Ben walked out of the bathroom disappointed.

"Yeah? Did you decide to sing?" He said hopefully.

"Uh...no. Do you have any more clothes I could wear?" I pulled on my long green shirt. Pointing out what I was wearing and he looked at it.

"Oh yeah, your gonna need some new clothes huh? Would you like me to take you shopping?" He asked.

"Uh...no. I can't... I mean." I stuttered.

"No, I'll pay for you, what ever you like! What do you say?" He walked up to me and placed his hand on my shoulder and tilted his head. `so cute... sweet ben...'

"Oh, no I couldn't ask that from you! Ben, I just wanted to know if you had another t-shirt could wear." I turned my head to the opposite side of his hand and blushed. Why was he being so nice anyway... I mean sure Ben's great but still... I'm still just some weird girl, why should he waste his time on me?

He placed his other hand on my chin, and turned my head to face him. His thumb being on my chin and the rest of his hand curled up underneath it. I blushed furiously. "I insist! A girl needs a wardrobe, homeless or not!" He didn't let go till I nodded my head and mouthed okay. I was breathless.

Ben threw me a t-shirt and some more pants but these ones were shorts that went right under his knees on him and past my feet on me. It looked pretty cool though. I went into the bathroom and fixed my hair up. `*I swear… Ben is like a saint. It was meant to be that I knocked on his door. I didn't even know guys like that EXSISTED. Not after Nick and his friends…*' "Ready to go Tear? Haelo's gonna go too. I just need to take a shower, so when your done wait for me out there." I walked out of the bathroom, and into the living room where Haelo was playing a video game. "You ready to go?" He asked me still glued to the screen. He looked like a little kid, getting so caught up in the game with a determined expression on his face. `*Why do they both have to be cute?*'

"Yeah... what game is that?" I walked over to him and sat next to him on the couch.

"It's Halo 2." I just laughed. What a coincidence. "You wanna play?" He offered me his controller.

"Uh, no. I'm HORRIBLE at video games! But someone I knew used to play this game all the time." Haelo placed the controller in my hands and protested.

"Play." He restarted the game and proceeded to tell me the controls. I started to get the hang of it, and then some jerk killed me. >\_< "You can kill him if you push these in order." He took the controller out of my hand and showed me. I leaned over to look more closely and pointed at a button he never explained.

"What's this one do?" I looked up and him and he was quiet. He face was so close to mine. We stared at each other for a couple seconds and then I scooted over. "Uh...sorry. I didn't mean to take up your space, um..." He just started laughing and handed me the controller.

"You don't always have to be sorry, if we keep having these weird moments might as well get used to it. ^\_^ That button is called the start button, it directs you to a menu that..." We played the game until Ben came out ready to go. It was fun too, I killed Haelo 3 times. But I think he let me, oh well.

We walked through the mall, Ben and Haelo randomly picking out shops. Except I never really got to pick out my own clothes because Ben and Haelo would find something they like and made me try it on, every time they both agreed it looked good on me. I didn't mind though, I actually liked the clothes they picked out for me. Nick did the same, only they were always slutty and small. I got the following so far...

Hot Topic: 2 pairs of pants, a shirt, an arm band that said "I'm Cute, don't let it fool you" **\*Ben** insisted\* and some cool Converse.

Victoria secret: some underwear, a couple bras, and a some cute pajamas. \*note: the guys let me go in here by myself. They refused to go in.^\_^\*

Aeropostale: Some jeans, some socks and jewelry.

Game Stop: Haelo bought me a game he thought I would like that we could all play together.

Kohls: A cute skirt, a hoodie, a hat, some perfume and a watch.

Clairs: Some jewelry, a hair kit, some make up, and a cute picture frame. \*I wanted to take a picture of me Haelo and Ben, so that if we ever split I could always keep them with me\* Note: Once again, they didn't follow me inside.

Sunglass Hut: A pair of cool sunglasses.

Virgin: Some awesome CD's, a CD player with a radio, and a few movies.

Animal Kingdom: Haelo bought me a kitty \*it was so cute, all white with with blue eyes and a bow\* I named it Cloud. It reminded me of the sky with white and blue. Ben bought me a Bunny, all black with gold eyes. I named it Benny, Ben+Bunny=Benny! ^\_^ We were going to pick them up after we were all done.

We also went to this cool place that sold Bean Bags and they had one that was so huge it served as a bed. It was so soft. I laid on it and praticly fell asleep, and both Ben and Haelo did the same. They both pitched in and bought me a bean bag. It was a deep purple and it was soft and fluffy. The sellers said that they would ship it to the house tonight.

Then we went to some shoe places and got me a pair of Etnies, more converse, a pair Phat Pharms, and some flip flops.

And after that we went to an art shop because I told them that one of my hobbies was drawing and painting. So they bought me some canvases, paper, paint, pencils, a coloring kit, and some cool art books.

J.C. Penny: They got me 2 bathing suits and a couple pairs of shorts.

Fry's Electronics: Haelo bought me Photoshop so I could make cool digital pictures. Ben got a Karaoke machine for me because he wanted to hear me sing so bad, and I told him I played keyboard so he got me one of those as well.

If your wondering how they paid for it, Ben and Haelo both came from wealthy family, and turns out, member that band Ben was in? Well Haelo was in it as well, and they actually made it big for a while, but

as he said the band broke up. Ben and Haelo still got interviews and stuff from MTV all the time. I was so shocked. I spent like an hour asking questions. People would come up asking for an auto graph here and there. They only made 2 hits but people still bought they're one CD. The weird thing is they produced their own Album. Finally they had to get me to shut up.

"Will you guys play me a song sometime?" I was all grins since I went to the mall, there was constanly people staring at us, and I kept hearing girls that passed me by say, "She's so lucky..." And I agreed. Sure my life sucked before, but how did it end up so good? With 2 hot guys, they were in a band, both were nice to me **\*even though there was that incident with Haelo...I'm sure he didn't mean it**\*, they just bought me all I'll ever need \*all 3 of us had our arms full with bags\*, I was invited to live with them, and there is no gross catch to it. At least I doubt it.

"Only if you sing for us." The both said in unison and looked at me.

"Why do you want me to sing for you anyway? I'm probably horrible."

"Yeah, your right, you probably suck." Haelo said plainly.

"Shut up." I punched him with what I could considering my hands were full.

"So sing to us when we get home!" Ben said grinning.

"Okay... I guess it's the least I could do for getting me all this stuff... but don't be disappointed if I'm bad. Thank you again for doing this for me..."

"No problem, pretty girls don't knock on my door everyday." I glanced at Ben, he was staring straight ahead with a smile on his face. I blushed and put my head down and stared at the floor as we walked to the food court.

"Not to mention, you guys still need to tell me how you met. I have no idea what-so-ever how you know each other." Haelo added in right after Ben.

"Um...well..." I stuttered. I really didn't want to re-tell the story. Ben, save me!

"Don't worry about it, just be happy she's here." Thank you Ben! Wait, happy I'm here... great, I'm nervous again. Stupid Ben...

"I am, I mean, never mind." Haelo looked a little angry at Ben but he just tried to brush it off. At least he didn't protest.

We got to the food court to got some food. We all got pizza and sat down which was pretty hard because of all of the stuff. There was a pile of stuff around us. Sort of like a fence to all the people that came up to ask for an auto graph. Ben was nice and everything when it came to the fans, but Haelo just ignored them. Eating his food with a bored expression on his face. I giggled at his humor. All of a sudden a little girl came up to Haelo and tugged on his shirt. She must've only been 4 or 5. "Uh...Hay-wo. Will you sign dis for me pweese?" She gave him a picture of himself and he just pushed it out of the way.

"No." I looked at Haelo and frowned. "What?"

"Be nice to her, she's just a little girl and she admires you. Just sign her paper and make her happy." Then I whipered the next part to him `*Please, I don't want her to cry. And I know you don't want to either. Please... for me?*' Haelo sighed and signed the little girls paper.

"Thank you Hay-wo! I wuv you." She stood on her tiptoes to reach his cheek and kissed it. Then ran off saying "Looky mommy, look what I got!" waving the paper in her hand.

"See, you made her day. Thank you!" Haelo just smiled and replied,

"Yeah, guess I did. Are you gonna kiss me now?" He said arrogantly. I just laughed and told him no. Even though I *wanted* to. I wouldn't get away with it if I tried. Ben was here anyway.

"Why must you be so mean to your fans Hay-wo?" Ben mocked. Haelo just punched him and went back to eating. "You know, someday, if we ever get big again, that little girl will get a lot of money for that signature when she needs it most. You may have just saved her life." Ben said. Actually what he said made sence... Hmm... I need that picture of them with me...

~HPOV~

We arrived back at Ben's house about an hour later after Tear insisted we get her a video camera so that she can remember moments like these. I cant wait to see what she comes up with when the video is done. When we got inside Ben told me I could stay another night for helping him buy stuff for her, I wanted to anyway. We set up her bed and put her little dresser next to her that we bought for her on the way home to put her clothes in. When she finished, Ben set up the Karaoke machine in the living room, Tear and I were on the couch with her 2 new pets. Me holding the bunny ,she was playing with the kitten. When he was done he asked Tear what song she wanted to sing and she told him "Breath (2 Am) By Anna Nalick." Ben typed it into the karaoke machine and she stood up and picked up the mike. \*By the way the karaoke machine that Ben bought was sort of like a computer that you could type in any somg you wanted and the words would pop up along with the singer in the backround along with the music that was a bit louder than the singer, it was expensive but worth it\* She took a deep breath and the words began to be highlighted... She started to sing...in the most *beautiful* Voice I had ever heard...

"2 AM and she calls me cause I'm still awake

Can you help me unravel my latest mistake?

I don't love him, winter just wasn't my season.

Yeah we walk through the doors so accusing their eyes

Like they have any right at all to criticize

Hypocrites, you're all here for the very same reason...

Cause you can't jump the track We're like cars on a cable and life's like an hourglass glued to the table, No one can find the rewind button, girl So cradle your head in your hands. And breathe, just breathe, whoa breathe, just breathe..."

"Wow she's good..." Ben whispered in my ear.

"Yeah I know..."

"Do you think that she might be able," Then I cut him off.

"Yeah...she can."

May he turned 21 on the base of Fort Bliss "Just a day," he said down to the flask in his fist Ain't been sober since maybe October of last year Here in town you can tell he's been down for while But my God it's so beautiful when the boy smiles Wanna hold him maybe I'll just sing about it

"Will she agree to it?" Ben continued.

"Why wouldn't she, plus once we tell her how good she is..."

"Yeah...she rocks." Ben had this odd look on his face...like he was out of it.

Cause you can't jump the track

We're like cars on a cable

And life's like an hourglass glued to the table,

No one can find the rewind button, boys

so cradle your head in your hands

And breathe, just breathe, whoa breath just breathe

"She could play the key board, and sing as well." I pointed out.

"Just wait till Jason and Kay see her, they'll be mad they left and beg ." Ben grinned. The band broke up because they thought they were too good for us and ran off for their own career. Turns out they were a wreck when they left. They were missing the most important thing...a good singer. They were always so caught up in having their own solo in the song that everyone fought. When they came back to start a new album, Ben and I had already called it quits.

There's a light at each end of this tunnel

You shout cause you're just as far in as you'll ever be out

And these mistakes you've made

You'll just make them again if you'll only try turnin' around

"She could get some money this way, and live on her own!" I whispered back excited. But Ben's expression changed.

"...Maybe we shouldn't do this..." What? Why? Oh...I know...

"Look she may still live with you I don't know, but honestly she might want to." Ben's expression was still grim... But I dropped the subject because the song quieted and Tears voice raised up...

2 AM and I'm still awake writing this song If I get it all down on paper it's no longer inside of me Threatening the life it belongs to. And I feel like I'm naked in front of the crowd Cause these words are my diary screamin' out aloud And I know that you'll use them however you want to.

But you can't jump the track We're like cars on a cable And life's like an hourglass glued to the table, No one can find the rewind button now Sing it if you understand, yeah breathe Just breathe, oh oh breathe, just breathe, oh breathe, just breathe, oh breathe, just breathe....

The song ended and both of us stood up and clapped. "Your fantastic Tear!" Ben said happily.

"Yeah, you rock!" I went up to her and shook her hand...but her back was still facing us. Ben walked up and put his hand on her shoulder and turned her around. She was crying. But I didn't lash out. I just wanted to hug her but I didn't know why. I sat back down on the couch and watched. "Tear, why are you crying? What's wrong?" Ben was freaking and she was staring blankly at him letting tears fall like a flood.

"I haven't sung in such a long time... And that song was beautiful, the tears just came down. I didn't even know I was crying till you told me how good I was. Sorry for being such a baby." He looked at her closely and then smiled.

"I know the perfect song to sing. And I love this one too." He ran up to the karaoke machine and typed something in. The song popped up... it was called "Absolutely (Story Of A Girl)". I immediately smiled. It only took the first sentence for her to figure out why. And she smiled as well... Omg, was this song perfect...

This is the story of a girl Who cried a river and drowned the whole world And while she looked so sad in photographs I absolutely love her, when she smiles

"This song was written for you..." I whispered into her ear. I didn't want to disrupt.

"What do you mean?" She cant see it? Its all about her! From crying, to Ben loving her. Its awesome.

"You cant see it?"

"Wha," I put my finger to my lips. I wanted her to listen.

How many days in the year She woke up with hope, but she only found tears Actin' so insincere Making the promises never for real As long as she stands there waiting Wearing the holes in soles of her shoes How many days dissapear You look in the mirror so how do you choose

Your clothes never wear as well the next day And your hair never falls out quite the same way You never seem to run out of things to say

"Listen Tear, and try to relate them to you." I insisted that she heard it.

"O.K. but I don't think ..."

"For Ben?" She giggled and replied,

"Only if you tell me what it means as we go along, his voice is so good I'm not listening to the lyrics." She smiled at me, and I nodded my head.

This is the story of a girl "Her name is Tear." I whispered into her ear. Who cried a river and drowned the whole world "She just cant stop crying." And while she looked so sad in photographs "Can I get her to smile?" I absolutely love her, "He absolutely loves you." when she smiles "When you smile..."

~TPOV~

OMG! I was about to sink into my seat. I was so flushed. "What?" I mumbled.

"I'll leave you to figure out the rest... cuz by the way... if you cant see that yourself, no offence but, you're an idiot." Why cant you see that I'm after you? Idiot. But Ben is...

I couldn't pay attention to the lyrics I was so caught up in what Haelo said to me. I just stared at Ben as he sang it for me. He was amazing. He looked back at me every now and then and I always had the same dumb expression on my face... dazed... Soon it got to the end of the song and I listened once more...

This is the story of a girl `Of me?' Who's pretty face she hid from the world `*Pretty*?' And while she looked so sad and lonely there `Sad and lonely pretty much does sum me up...' I absolutely love her `*Loves me..*'

This is the story of a girl, `*This is a story of Tear*' Who cried a river and drowned the whole world. `*She cries*' And while she looked so sad in photographs, `*He wants to make her smile?*' I absolutely love her, when she smiles. `*He loves it …when I smile…*'

The song ended and...

Ok! That's the end of chapter 7! Hope you liked it! Please comment... it took me forever to write it. Now for 8. Sorry for the cliff hanger but I have to keep my readers interested and wanting more!

COMO

# 8 - Why Do You Love Me?

~TPOV~~TPOV~

I broke out in tears and ran out of theroom and went under my blankets. 'What aml supposed to do?'

2ndvoice \*in her mind\*: 'Well you just made a big scene...'

'I know... but I couldn'thelp it... I didn't know that Ben...uh...'

2ndvoice: Idiot. So, the nicest guy you've ever met \*not to mention the bestlooking\* has just basically declared his admiration for you... Why is that sobad?

'That I don't think llove him...yet.'

2ndvoice: And that's because...

'I just met him... andplus... my plan was to get to Haelo, and on the way I got Ben too...'

2ndvoice: Too? Haelo likes you?

'Um...no that's not what Imeant.'

2ndvoice: THEN SAY WHAT YOU MEAN! Life would be so much easier for you!

'I CAN'T!'

2ndvoice: Why? Your not with Nick anymore... it's not like they will punish you ifyou do...

'I don't know...'

2ndvoice: Are you doubting that Ben is a good guy, because let me tell you. He'sone a billion. Or more... 'How would you know? Allwe've ever known is Nick you jerk... how would we know what a nice guy can belike...'

2ndvoice: I'm just saying... that you don't trust him... And you need to give him achance. I mean, this dude let you into his house, he'sprotected you, and cried with you. You're telling me that you have doubts? This all you've ever wished for...SO WHAT IS HOLDING YOU BACK...

'It's...the....it's...um....'

2ndvoice: WELL?

'Haelo.'

2ndvoice: What's so good about stupid Haelo?

'What's so bad abouthim?'

2ndVoice: He has mental break downs, which won't help you considering you do aswell. He's just a jerk. Member that little kid he was mean to? Obviously he iscrude.

'Why are you so judging?What's so good about Ben? WHY ARE YOU SO HOOKED ON HIM?'

2ndvoice: That's just it. There is nothing bad about him at all. He's got looks,personality, in a band-'WAS in a band.'

2ndvoice: What ever, anyways, in a band, sensitive, caring, loves you, andprotects you. He hasn't done anything but TRY to make you smile, and you alwaysend up crying. What is this, like the 50th time you cried or what?

'Why are you so mean? It'snot like I'm going through the best parts of my life.'

2ndvoice: LET BEN HELP YOU!

'But I don't want himto.'

2ndvoice: I give up... go ahead... get Haelo, become more screwed up than you alreadyare and don't come crying to me when you break Ben's heart and he commits suicide.

'Oh GOD! Ben would NEVERdo that! Would he?'

2ndvoice: BYE! \*walks off angrily\*

'Meanie...that's why I'mso depressed...she makes everything worse.'

At that moment Ben came into the room andsat next to my bed. "Did I do something wrong? Why do you keep crying? Justtell me and I fix it I swear..." He put his hand on the top of the covers wherehe knew my head was.

"I don't want you to help me... so stop."My words were shaky and soft. The voice in my head started yelling at me againand I could barely hear Ben with my screaming thoughts.

"What? Tear please... let me see your face...tell me what's wrong..." He inched the blanket slowly down my forehead and Ishrunk back deeper into the covers. "Fine, I won't look at you but at leasttell me what's bothering you."

"......Why....Why...why do you love me?" Iwhispered it as quietly as I could without letting myself realize I said it. The thoughts in my head quieted, and there was a silence.

"I... am I making you feel uncomfortable?Do you want to me leave? Or do you want to..." His whispers were just as soft asmine. I thought for a moment and then I slowly revealed my face from theblanket that was covered in my tears. Ben gazed at my red face and was still.

"I...Ben...I have no where to go. How could lleave? No where...ever. I'm always just.....here." I was looking straight intoBen's eyes. Trying to read his thoughts through that blank expression. Tearsjust flowed like waterfalls from my eyes, and Ben's expression grew lost, andlonely. I looked away before I lashed out to hold him again. "I'm sorry I... Ididn't mean... that I... its just..." I closed my eyes and forced a smile beforelooking at him again. "I don't know what love is Ben...so how could I loveanyone?" With my red face, forced smile and teary puffy eyes, he put his handson my face, and cupped it. His thumbs began stroking my cheeks as the tearsflowed over them.

"You don't have to love me if you don'twant to... don't force your love. It might become hatred if you do. If you don't wantto love me then I don't want you to hate me either." He was still staring into my eyes but hisface was more soft than hurt.

"Ben, I love you. But I want you to loveme...not as a romance, but as a love of a brother. I never had family... and you'rethe closest thing I have. I don't want to hurt you and I mean this in thetruest way, I love you as a brother. Sometimes I think it might be more, butI'm not ready for more." I let out what I had kept in. He looked away for amoment, and took his hands off my face. I began to get nervous that he was hurtby my words. "...Ben?" He still stared in the distance for a few moments and thensighed.

"Okay." I could tell it was hard for himto say it, because by the tone of his voice, part of him was rejecting it. "But,tell me something. And I want to know the real answer. Not what you think Iwant to hear okay?" Ben was facing me now, and had a determined expression onhis face. I knew what he was going to ask. I didn't want to answer it, but if Ilied, he would tell and begin to think all I said was a lie as well.

"Uh...o-ok." His golden eyes swept over myexpression and he put his hands on my shoulders.

"Do you think that you love Haelo...or doyou just truly want no relationship?" I closed my eyes and took a deep breath.

"I don't know why... but I can't help butwonder if I do. The feelings I feel for you and your cousin are different. Areyou angry with me Ben? For being so unclear?" My tears had stopped and hesmiled a breathtaking smile...

"No. Thank you for telling me. I loveyou. And always will, however you want me too." ^\_^ "...little sister." I fell into his arms and held him close. Imaginesomeone like him...so close to me. Why did he have to be so easy to talk to? "Tear... just one thing... I asked you becauseyou said that Haelo shoved you off and ran away when you met him, so, if you dofind that you love Haelo. Be careful. I don't want you to get hurt more thanyou already are...Haelo can be harsh and say things he doesn't mean. If anyoneever does anything to hurt you, find me." Wow... he really was a brother.Wait...WAIT. Did he...HE REMEMBERED? "Yeah you told me this morning that you likedhim from the beginning... I've been thinking about it all day."

"Why didn't you tell me you were awake?" I pulled away from him and looked away with an angry expression on my face.

"Tear, don't get angry. I didn't tell youbecause if I did, you wouldn't have told me! Besides, it wasn't very nice tomanipulate me in my sleep either." I glanced at him and tried to keep the angryexpression on my face but I just couldn't. He looked irritated as well, and Ihad never seen him like that, I started laughing. He got up and helped me up. Ben started to walk towards the door and athought crossed my mind. I caught him before he turned the handle.

"You won't say a word to Haelo?" Helooked like he was distressed. "Why not?" "BEN!" I balled my fists and put them at mysides frustrated. And he began to laugh. "I'm just joking. Of course I wont say a word tohim, or anybody... this is as much a secret mine as it is yours agreed?"

"Stupid Ben!" I giggled and nodded my head." Agreed."

Ben opened the door and I walked under his armand onto the couch. We walked in on Haelo singing a song. It was called..."Unwell"...

Ironic...

Okay, sorry for it being so short but I didthis all at night and I'm tired now! Its almost one! Please comment, I hope youenjoyed this chapter. Como

### 9 - Memories Not Worth Living...

CAUTION: This chapter starts in the same place as last chapter, just in Haelo's Point of Veiw.

~HPOV~

All of a sudden Tear just bursted into tears and ran into Ben's room. Ben immediately turned around and got a troubled look on his face and walked up to the door and stood there, just staring at the blanket she was under. I got up and strode over to where he was standing and whispered into his ear. "So, do you love her?"

"Uh...yeah. I do." He looked at me with a grim smile. I patted his shoulder and tried to hold in my jealousy... Yeah...I didn't want to admit it but, I was hella jealous. Every moment I spent with her made me angrier knowing that she liked Ben more...

"Tell her Ben, before...I beat you to it." He glanced over at me and I was just staring straight ahead at her bed now. We had already talked about our feelings toward her before. When we were at the mall and she went into stores and we stayed behind, Ben brought it up...

Flash Back...

Tear walked into Claires, so Ben and I stayed outside. For a few minuets we just watched the people pass us, both of us... thinking the same thing.

"Haelo, I think I love her, but I think you do as well... so please don't tell me a lie. Do you love her?" He knew me well, he could tell. I've never even spoke to girls and let alone laugh with one before... Wait, I take that back...There was ONE. But I didn't want to remember HER... I thought about it for a second and looked over at Ben who was still watching people walk by. Then I glanced inside the store and looked at her. I had nothing to hide from him, might as well tell him. "Yeah." Not much more to say, so why try. Ben was used to my simple answers. The longer I dwelled on a subject like this, the more uncomfortable I got. "But don't worry Ben; she likes you more than me anyway..." Ben was silent after that and just stared ahead. I felt worse for him than for me anyway. I know he deserves her more than me, and I'm just making it difficult. This was the first girl Ben had ever loved, and he didn't want to lose her. Except...

Neither did I...

End of flash back...

After that Ben walked in and shut the door. I stood there for a moment, staring at the door. They were whispering so I couldn't make out the words. I walked over to the couch and laid back... my hands ran through my hair and down my face. My old girlfriend popped into my brain... I didn't remember much of her, but I tried not to anyway... my brain had already subconsciously blocked most of it... I only had one memory of her... Her last words...

Flash back...

I walked down the sidewalk heading towards the park with flowers in my hand... We met there everyday... And I always gave her flowers, white roses...her favorite. I sat down on the swings and stared off into the distance, waiting for her smile.

My eyes caught some movement and I stood up and sure enough, seconds later I was in her embrace with the faint smell of her sweet perfume. She had the most beautiful long, wavy, purple hair and eyes so bright of blue they were silver... She looked so beautiful with the cherry blossoms in bloom as I stared at her in awe when she wasn't looking. This park was covered in tall grass and Cherry Blossom Trees.

When we pulled apart she gave me another smile that made me look away. I was always scared one day I wouldn't see that smile anymore, for some reason her smiles made me want her more.

She grabbed my hand and led me back to the swings where she sat in my lap as I held her, swinging back and forth in silence... "Sing to me Haelo..." She always asked that when something was wrong, it made her feel better.

"For you...what song?" I whispered in her ear and she tilted her head back so it lay on my shoulder... I smelled her perfume once more.

"Anything, as long as you mean it..." She wanted me to sing a song about her. She was probably having trouble with her dad again. Her mom died when she was little and her dad was a drunkard. Sometimes he would come home and hit her, that's when she started coming here. To this park... She would stay here until she knew it would be late enough for her father to be home and sleeping. This was sometimes about 4 in the morning depending on when he got home from the bar. One day I got so stressed I came here to relax and saw her there... Swinging back and forth...Back and Forth... Watching her... she never noticed me, so I went over and sat next to her. From then on we met each other here, every night, for the past 6 months.

"Ok..." I rested my head on her shoulder with her head tilted back and tears rolled down her cheeks, falling into my hair. "Desperate for changing... starving for truth... I'm closer to were I started... In chasing after you...I'm falling even more in love with you, letting go of all I've held onto. I'm standing here until you make me move. I'm Hanging by a Moment Here with you..." She loved that song. So did I.

"Thank you..." Her voice was soft and shaky. I began to wonder just what was bothering her.

".....I want to hear you..." She knew what I meant and she began to sob hard. I grew frantic and I got off the swing, picked her up, and sat down in the grass that went over our heads. She kept crying harder and harder as I held her waiting for her to calm down but I grew impatient. "Is it... your father?" She kept shaking her head no over and over and I put my hand on her face turning it towards me. "What is it?" She looked deep into my eyes and her silver ones cut into mine.

"He wants to...he knows that... he'll kill you..." All at once I filled in her blanks... I knew her too well. He wants to kill her, He knows that she's been here with me, and he'll kill me as well. "Let's go. I can't let that happen to us! We'll run out to my apartment and live somewhere new and..." Her grip tightened. I looked down and she was staring at the floor with despair on her face.

"No, he's going to kill us as soon as we leave the park... I didn't want to come here Haelo, I didn't. But he said that he would kill you on the spot if I wasn't here. And I..." She choked on her tears. "And I couldn't do that, at least we would die together, at least we would say goodbye. At least I could say that I...that I..." I kissed her for the first time, firm and deep. She did this for me... She wanted to DIE with me. I knew we couldn't get out of this. When we parted I held her body against my chest and she cried into my shirt.

"That I love you..." I spoke softly as she shook hard in my arms. A strong wind came and I shivered. Suddenly I got the strongest determination I had ever felt in my life, I picked her up once more, and ran...As fast as I could. She never did tell me where she lived, so I ran trying to avoid all the houses I saw. There was a gunshot and I felt my shoulder rip in pain... I held her tighter. And my arm bled heavily.

She scrambled in my arms and I dropped her. My arm was so weak and I cursed as I ran back for her. But just as I was about to reach her, I heard another gun shot and my eyes grew wide in despair. She was falling forwards, into my body and I saw a gunshot in the side of her back, where her heart was... Tears instantly rolled down my face as I knelt down beside her with a street light on her pale face. I heard a thunder crack and seconds later it started to rain. Her face turned towards mine and she smiled. "Haelo... this is even better... You don't have to die; I'll die for you... I love you more than you could know... Haelo... Goodbye..."

"No! Stay alive! I will take you to safety and you won't live like this any more!" She put her hand to my face and caressed my cheek.

"I die for you...and only you... and I did this because... I..." She coughed hard and blood came out. She looked at me one last time with horror in her eyes, and she mouthed the words... "I love you" And her eyes went blank and her hand fell from my face. For some reason whoever shot the gun, never killed me. But wanted me to feel pain worse than death. I couldn't remember her name. But I never tried to. That painful memory always stuck in the back of my mind. For 3 years. It hadn't been very long; it still felt like it just happened.

I got up and turned on the song "Unwell." Trying to get her out of my mind, and back on Tear instead... It was actually more comforting to think about her, whither it hurt or not.

The door opened and Tear stood there with a smile on her face. A sad one but nonetheless a smile. I pretended I didn't know what probably just happened with her and began to sing the words to the song...

Yeah... That chapter was kinda intense... but you guys have to know why he is so down all the time. T\_T Hope you liked it though and please comment. I'm sorry about it being a repeat but I didn't get to put Haelo's P.O.V in the last one. SO...Yeah.

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# 10 - Be In The Band?

#### ~TPOV~~TPOV~

He sang... so... beautiful. I never heard himsing before. I sunk into the couch, listening to him sing with my eyes closed, and sighed as his melodic voice flowed through me. Once again I forgot why Iwas here... And all at once a memory flashed in my mind. It was of my mother, shewas singing to me because I was crying from something my dad did to her. Butshe was so calm and it made me sad. At the time I was only about 4, so I don'tknow why I remembered that. She was so gorgeous.... Her orange/red hair went toher feet but she usually wore it up in a ponytail, her smile warmed the coldesthearts. Those eyes... a beautiful color green. And her-

Blank....

Right there I forgot what I was thinking about. And didn't even try to remember what it was, once again, my attention was onHaelo and his voice. "You guys were one he\*\* of a band." I said aloud to Ben. He just smirked, walked over to Haelo and whispered something in his ear. "What?" What were they talking about? Both of them turned to me and Haelostopped singing.

"Would you be in our band?" They both said atthe same time with these cute innocent expressions on.

"What?" Be in THEIR BAND? OMG I would get hatemail and probably have a billion girls trying to kill me if I tried to be withthese two ON A LIVE STAGE! No...way. "No, I cant. Girlswould kill me if I sang with you two!" They both got these bewildered looks on.

"Not the excuse I was expecting." Haelo said toBen but still facing me.

"I know..." Then they both started laughing likecrazy and I just stood there staring at them.

"I mean it! I don't want crazy hate mail anddeath threats man!" They just laughed harder at the thought.

"What do you mean anyway? Why..." Ben stopped tolaugh some more. Then Haelo finished it as Ben was catching his breath.

"Why would they do that?" Haelo was sitting on the floor now with his legs bent and crossing his arms on them. He cocked hishead and I blushed at the sight of it.

"OH COME ON! YOU CANT SEE THAT?" I bursted out tryingto avoid being direct. They looked at each other and both said in unison. No? I sighed and ran my hand down myface. "Girls go crazy over you two." They both smiled and Haelo got up, posedwith one hand behind his head and the other on his hip, thenmoved his body just to give that "I'm sexy and I know it" look.

"Do you think we're hot Tear?" Haelo asked stillin that position. I blushed and got frustrated at him for making me say this.

"YES! I DO!" I shouted with my eyes closed andmy head still down with my hands by my sides. Then I felt somebody's hand undermy chin, so I opened my eyes to see Ben looking into my eyes with this hurtexpression on his face.

"So what's so bad about that?" GAWD BEN! Fine! IWILL! I'll BE IN THE BAND!

"No-no-nothing....its just that I'm scared of thegirls attacking me..." I stuttered with his golden eyes staring into mine.

"Well actually we were more scared of the guysattacking you, but that's not the point. So will you?" Haelo was on the couchwith his arms stretched out over the top of the sofa. I walked over to him and stood in front ofhim.

"Oh yes it is. What? Are you worried that I'mtoo cute to be on stage?" I fluffed my hair and twirled around.

He looked away embarrassed. "Yes. But..."

"Okay I'll be in the band!" I skipped away tothe karaoke machine and we all sung the rest of the night... Laughing andpretending we were on stage with an audience. It was awesome.

I woke up that morning with a smile on my faceand a sore throat from singing all last night. The clock said 12:00. I sleptin. Haelo went home last night so now it was just me and Ben, not that I mind. Today Ben was going to call his friends and see what they think of getting backtogether after they hear my singing.

I got up and walked over to Bensbed and watched his blanket lift up and down with his breathing. He was sopeaceful while he slept. I crept over to my dresser and got out some cuteclothes to wear. I was going to sneak out of the apartment and go to Haelo's.Ben showed me where he lived just in case I needed another place to go to ifanything happened to Ben or something. Looking into the mirror at my reflectionI smiled and brushed my hair. I was wearing a cute black wife-beater that said"Loser" with black and red pleated skirt, socks that went to my thighs that whereblack, red skater shoes, sprayed the ends of my hair dark purple \*notpermanent\*, put my hair up in a ponytail and left 2 long strands down that hungin front of my ears.

Satisfied with my look I put some make up on andsnuck out. Its not that I didn't want to let Ben know where I was going, I justwanted to hang with Haelo by myself. And I didn't have the heart to tell Ben tostay there.

It was cloudy outside and seemed like it wasgoing to rain so I walked quickly. A few minuets later I was in front of hisdoor, I knocked on it, heard some footsteps, and a groggy Haelo answered thedoor. "...Yeah?" He was leaning against the door post and faintly smiled. "Whatdo you need?"

"Uh...nothing. Its just Ben is stillsleeping and I didn't want to wake him up so I came here to hang with youinstead. Is that okay?" I was pulling at the bottom of my skirt twisting itback in forth waiting for an

answer and trying to be cute at the same time.

"So you decided to wake me up instead? Sure...come in. Give me a minuet to take a shower and we can... hang out." He grinnedand walked into what I guessed was his room and closed the door. His apartmentwas AWSOME! All his walls were clear and had water running inside of them withlights behind the water so you couldn't see all the way through them. And therewas this little knob on the wall for you to change the color of the lightsbehind the water. Right now they were set to a brown/orange. I was standing inthe middle of him living room looking around. The floor was black marble. Hiscouches in his room where Black leather, and his T.V.was huge with an enormous entertainment system featuring every game system evermade. I walked up to it and touched a screen next to the entertainment centerthat said "Welcome. Touch to Begin." All you had to do was say what movie,game, show, or song you wanted to hear and it would automatically start andwould give you whatever you needed to use it. On the screen there was an optionthat said "recorded songs" I touched it and there were numerous songs that Ihad never heard of. One caught my interest. The title said "Cry Blue Angel'sTears". Lyrics would show up on the screen as Haelo's voice followed them. Igasped as I read the lyrics. It was about me.

The sky isn't so bright,

In those blue angelseyes,

Pink windows to thesoul,

Clouded as she cries.

He's just watching her,

Less than dirt.

Why are her wingsbroken?

Why is she hurt?

Driving him insane,

Keeping his cool.

He knows he did this,

He's just a fool.

He sings for her heart,

Fell in love with her,

From the start.

The sky isn't so bright,

In those Blue Angels Eyes...

Right then someone said "Off". I turned aroundand saw Haelo in some new clothes and his hair wet. "I'm sorry! I just wantedto listen to some music and i thought..." My face waswet with tears. The song made me cry but now I felt guilty for looking into hisbusiness. Tears rolled down my cheeks as I searched for the right words to say. He looked angry and distressed.

"Why must you always cry?" He walked up to meand I looked up to him wiping my face off.

"Uh...I'm sorry...I didn't mean to... but I loved yourso-..." My words were smothered when his lips pressed against mine as he pressedme up against a wall. I slowly closed my eyes. So soft... butfor some reason... I felt sadness in his kiss.

When he let go I nearly fell, but he wrapped hisarms around me catching me. I was entranced and couldn't think straight. So Ijust said what I thought... "Your more hurt than me..." Iwhispered into his ear. He shook and broke down to the floor. I pulled him offme and he looked away. "Haelo, wha-what's wrong? Iknow I shouldn't have been looking through your music, I'm sorry. Forgive me.Is that what's bothering you Haelo? I'll try to stop crying in front of you ifit bothers you okay?" I wiped my face off. My words came out of my mouth sofast I almost didn't know what I was saying. After I made my face dry, I forceda smile and turned Haelo around. "See?" I pointed to my face with a smile onit. Tears immediately rolled down his face when he saw me. "Haelo?"What did I do? What's wrong with him? Is something wrong with me? Should I nothave come here? More and more questions raced through my mind every second.

#### ~HPOV~

That smile... Just the same ashers... All at once every memory I had ever had with her popped in mymind.

Flashback...

"Sasuka? What's wrong?" \*THAT WAS HER NAME! Sasuka!\* She turned around and gave me a fake smile.

"Nothing Haelo!" She spoke quick and kept her hands on herface, while hiding her arms with her long-sleeved sweater. I took a hand offher face but she struggled to let me.

"Sasuka! How did this happen?" She had bruises allover her face, her lip and cheek were bleeding, and she started crying. Itouched her face and she turned away.

"Stopit Haelo!" She was angry that I had seen her. I got frustrated at who ever haddone this to her. "I'm fine! Really!"

"No!Your not, your hurt and I want to know why! Stophiding from me!" I reached out to her one more

time, and turned her towards me. She fell to the ground and held the shoulder I had touched.

"So-sorry! What happened?" I looked down at her rippedshoulder sleeve and saw a black shirt poking out. I pulled the sweater off immidiatly. She wore a black wife-beater underneath. Herarms were bruised, and the shoulder I had touched was ripped open and bleeding."SASUKA!" She winced when I yelled at her. "...Sa-Sasuka...tell me who did this toyou... please." I stroked her hair and she fell into my arms, limp. We weresitting on a top of a hill, that I asked her to cometo for a picnic. The sun was setting in the horizon over the soft grass. Therewere no houses or buildings for about 100 miles.

"I wishyou didn't care for someone like me Haelo... I will be nothing but trouble foryou. I shouldn't have come here." She kept shaking her head side to sideconvincing herself she was wrong to do so.

"That'snot true! I want to help you! Now one last time what happened?" She looked upat me with her silver eyes. And gave a tired expression.

"....My....father.He hates me...."

End offlash back...

"...Why...why do you smile likethat? When there's not a trace of happiness there?" I looked at her, she had a confused expression on. She wiped my facewith her thumb.

"Because, it makes you happy when I smile." She smiled weakly. I pictured Sasuka in her place. She even sounded like her.

"Yourjust like her... The same sadness in your eyes. You soundlike her, you resemble her..." She really did... That's why I couldn't stop lookingat her, why I was so obsessed. So fast.

"Who Haelo? Who dol remind you of?" She was wiping every tear away as they fell and I just satthere letting them fall and staring at her. Every second pained me to look ather, because the more I looked into her eyes, the more clearly I saw Sasuka.

K! What do you thinkof this chapter? It was EXTREMELY HARD to write so I REALLY HOPE you like it! Como

### 11 - So Much Like'er

#### ~HPOV~~HPOV~

Right then and therel couldn't see Tear anymore. My mind was playing tricks on me... All I saw was Sasuka sitting there holding my head in her arms. Over andover she asked me the same question... "Who do I remind you of Haelo?" There was a sadness in methat swallowed me to the core. Seeing her there, and knowing she wasn't. But Iwanted to believe it so bad. The same notion kept ringing in my ears... 'This is her! She's RIGHT HERE!' I was loosing my sanity all at once...

#### ~TPOV~

What was wrong? He was crying so hardnow. Staring at me with such a depression in his eyes, so numb and blank... "Haelo! Are you okay! Haelo, your scaring me! Answer me!" Yet he just stared atme with an endless stream of tears. After a few moments of silence he clung tome tight and whispered something into my ear.

"Sasuka... Whywould you do this to me? I tried so hard... But I was so weak. I dropped you... Youdied before I could get to you... Your d\*\*\* father... I'll kill him someday Ipromise..." My eyes went from closed to opened and in a state of shock with hislast word. And I myself started to cry... But in my surprise Haelodropped from his firm clutch and was on the floor.

"HAELO!" Iquickly put my head to his chest and my hand over his mouth. His heart wasbeating and he was breathing but he was out cold. What would I do? I had noexperience on this except the fact that Ihad passed out several times before. Did he have a heart attack? Was something seriouslywrong with Haelo? Someone knocked on the door and Iran to it keeping a close eye on him. I hesitated in opening it but I heard Benon the other side...

"Haelo!You in there! Is Tear in there as well? I can't findher! C'mon man, just open the door, I'm worried she'sgone!" I swung the door open and Ben immediately wrapped his arms around me. "You're here! For a moment... I thought..."

All sence cameback to me, Ben's hug had knocked me out of balance.My mind exploded with anticipation. "Help me Ben! Haelopassed out!" Ben looked up from my shoulder and let go of me as he hurried offto Haelo's side. A moment passed, Ben had picked up Haelo and carried to his room to sleep for a while. "Is he okay?"

"Yeah he's alright... he... does thissometimes...he probably didn't take his medicine that's all..." Ben passed me andsat down on the black leather couch with a loud sigh.

"You mean he does this often?" I walked over and sat besidehim. "What is his medicine for?" He stared into my eyes for a moment searchingfor the right words.

"Tear... Haelohas severe depression over something that happened a few years ago. It got sobad that he would've killed himself if I wasn't there to stop him."

"The last few moments he was awake he wascrying and saying things I didn't quite understand. I was so scared I didn'tknow what to do! He completely broke down!" I was distressed and saying it witha tired tone.

"What- what did he tell you?" Ben put hishand on mine and left it there for comfort.

"...before he passed out he said something like agirls name... Sasuka. Does that have to do with his depression?"

"Did he tell you anything else?" Ben wasstaring at me intently, as if this was big news to him.

"Yeah...uh, he said that he dropped her andthat she died before he got to her. Also that he wanted to kill her father.What happened?"

Ben sighed and ruffled his hair. "As Isaid before... Haelo loved a girl before you. Her namewas Sasuka... He met her one day after a concert. Hewas so distressed because of something a girl said to him that he decided to goto this beautiful park that he loved to calm down. When he went there hediscovered a girl with long wavy purple hair sitting on a swing. She didn'teven acknowledge his existence, or know he was there. Haelobecame so intrigued with this girl that he came to that park every night andshe'd always be there sitting on that swing... One day, she told him what waswrong after Haelo had finally persuaded her to tellhim. Her dad beat her..." I covered my mouth and gasped.

"She went to that park because he drank everynight and she tried to avoid him by leaving. Though sometimes she couldn't getaway and would come to the park with bruises and scratches... But not once didshe not show up, only late. And Haelo never left. Healways waited there for her because he knew what was wrong. He knew that if hewaited long enough... Sasuka would be there, in need ofcomfort, lost and dead inside. Many times she would refuse his help, and shenever told him her last name or where she lived. She was too scared of what herdad could do to him... Haelo fell madly in love withher and began to write songs about her and she became the highlight of ourshows. The other 2 band members became fed up with only playing songs Haelo wanted to be played and sang that they left. Yet Haelo kept writing and singing... He would sing them to herevery night he wrote a new one. She loved them... and fell in love with him aswell. One day, Sasuka was exceptionally late. And Haelo became worried. Just as he was about to search forher, she came in through the trees with a sad smile on. Nothing seemed wronguntil he asked her what was wrong and she broke down sobbing and crying." Myeyes were watering up already... somehow I knew where this story was going toend...

"She told him that her father figured out whyshe was gone every night because he followed her into the park unseen. Hebecame so angry that he threatened to kill him. She decided that she couldn'tlet that happen and escaped, ran off to the park to warn Haelo, and said she was to be killed as well as him if they ran off. There was nothingthat they could really do, because if they stayed there long enough... her dadwould kill them both anyway. Haelo got desperate andcarried her as he ran aimlessly as fast as he could in hope of safety. It was avain attempt to save a life, but as I said. There was nothing he could do. Soit started to rain and out of nowhere somebody shot Haeloin the shoulder."

"No! No, no, no, no, no NO!" I cried harder and harder as the story went on... and Ben raised his voice sothat I could hear him.

"The pain caused Haeloto drop her, and since he was running so fast when he attempted to turn aroundin a split second on the wet street... hefell and it took him too long to reach her. When he was in arms reach of herbody someone shot her and she fell into his arms. They shot her 3 times beforeresting. And Haelo reached her on the 3rdshot. She was in peace but the last words haunted Haeloforever. She told him it was better that way... That she loved him!" I wasshaking hard now and Ben hugged me.

"Why! Why didn't she go to someone for helpbefore! She KNEW he loved her! But she brought this on them!" I couldn't helpit... I was so angry at her for doing that to him... Though I related to her in thetruest sense... I was more angry for him falling in lovewith a girl that was close in background as Sasuka. There was nothing I could do but remind him of her. But he didn't know mybackground did he? So what will he do when he tellsher?

"Tear! She was close to suicide and didn'tbelieve anything could help! Haelo begged hereveryday!" I reached over and hit the lamp on the stand next to the couch sothat it fell to the ground and shattered.

"NO! This didn't happen! YourLYING!" He couldn't love me because I was like someone else! NO! I wouldn'tallow! I would only cause him more pain in his life because every moment he'dbe with me he'd remember her!

"Stop it Tear." Ben reached over and graspedboth of my hands. I was angry and struggled to get free but he pulled me closerto him and kissed me passionately on the lips. His anger, love, and confusionall poured out of him. All his years of taking care of Haelo's sickness and sorrow. Hisanger of me not loving him... I could feel it. It scared me because Iwanted him too... But I couldn't do that! Not to Haelowhen he needed me most. So many things ran through my mind in 30 seconds ofthat kiss. 'You love him! You REALLY LOVEHIM! Haelo cant even HOLD ONto a relationship with a girl right now!' 'Haeloneeds me now! This is wrong!' 'You want him and he wants you! He took CARE ofyou!' 'Sometimes you have to sacrifice what you want for what someone elseNEEDS!' 'Haelo doesn't need you!' '...yes he does.' 'D\*\*\* IT! Quit ARGUING WITH ME!' 'NO! I WILL DO WHAT I NEEDTO DO WEITHER I WANT TO OR NOT!'

Ben let go and I smacked him across the face. "WHY DID YOU DO THAT?! YOU KNOW HE NEEDS ME RIGHT NOW ANDYOU TRY TO TAKE ME AWAY FROM HIM! STOP IT BEN!"

"NO! IT'S NOT TRUE AND YOU KNOW IT! I CANT HELPIT ANYMORE! I CANT DO WHAT I SAID AND I'M SORRY BUT I LOVE YOU!" I smacked himagain and looked at my hand in horror for what I had done.

"I'm sorry Ben..." I ran into Haelo'sroom and locked the door. I turned around and Haelowas standing there, with a hurt expression on his face. He was still crying butit wasn't as bad as before. "Haelo..." A weary tonelingered in my voice. So much in a few hours... And the day just started. Hewalked over to me and placed his hands on my arms and shook me as he spoke.

"I heard it all... if you want Ben... you can go tohim. I wouldn't stop you from that... I don't need your pity Tear! Love him ifyou love him! Don't let me stop you..." I pushed away from him and tears ran downmy face as I my frustration built up once more.

"No! I want you! I wanted you from the 1sttime I saw you and I want you now! Don't push me away after I just pushed Benaway for you! I. CANT. HANDLE. THIS." Once again his lips were on mine before Iknew it. I kissed him back with a strong pressure in my lips that let out mydistress and love. He did the same and this time... I felt passion in the kiss.

"Tear..." He peered into my eyes as we split apartand held my face in his hands.

"I want to tell you... everything." All my past all my sorrow... I don't care if he saw me as Sasuka! I want him to see more in depth of what Sasuka went through in my words. In mypast, in my memories. Haelo would be able topretend that she was here! I don't care if he went crazy or not! As long as itwas me he loved and no other girl!

### 12 - And Jealosy Takes Me Over

~BPOV~~BPOV~

What have Idone?

Nothing... She was wrong...

No! She's totally and completelyright!

You love her and you took care of her! Whatright does she have to do this to you? She can make her own decisions...

NO! You should bang on that door RIGHT NOW andget her back! What if Haelo doesn't want her anyway? She may be too embarrassedto come back to you? Then how would you feel, huh? She may even kill herselffor putting herself into deeper depression! You KNOW that night when you heldher there was SOMETHING THERE! She wants you just as you want her! Why do youtake that away from her? She didn't mean what she said she just wasn't used toa good looking, depressed, lost little puppy in need of love passing out in herarms!

Exactly, I shouldn't take that awayfrom Haelo, as she said if he needs it she'll give it to him at all costs.Clearly she loves him. I've been in love before... I'm not stupid.

D\*\*\* it! Haelo may just be jealous of you!So he may be acting this out!

What am I thinking! NO! Haelo is severelydepressed and IS IN NEED of her love because he LOVES HER TOO!

Fine then, as a good 'friend' go knock onthat door and see if she's all right. Apologize.

But I won't try to take her back.

You say that now... Shut the h\*\*\* up.

I walked over toHaelo's bedroom door and hesitated. Whatif they are holding each other or kissing right now? A wave of jealousytook over and I knocked on the door. Moments later Tear opened up the door andglared at me. She was about to say something when Haelo puts his hand on thedoor post and looks straight into my eyes. He doesn't have an angry expressionas Tear does but he opens the door wider and walked past her. I stood theregetting even more jealous than before as I watched him whisper something toher. She nodded and shut the door so that Haelo and I could have some timealone. "Is she alright?"

He sighed andmotioned me to walk away from the door so she couldn't hear us. We ended upoutside where it was raining hard. Surprisingly, it was so dark that one could mistakeit for midnight instead of noon. "Ben, lets stop this. Its hurting us...but moreimportantly its killing Tear. She can't do this and God knows she loves both ofus." The jealousy grew stronger and took over my entire mind and I lashed out.

"So what? Now youdecide to keep her? She's all yours? She lives with you now is that it? Evenwhen all her stuff is at my house THAT I BOUGHT for her?! I'm NOT letting youtake her Haelo! You will only hurt her, and that will only driver her tosuicide! She is mistaken, and she is trying to heal someone as broken as her.Stupid and idiotic, why can't you see this?" Haelo punched me after that lastsentence. It was too much for him and he hit me straight in the jaw. I stumbled back afew steps and wiped the blood off my lip. Just as Haelo was about to speak lwhipped my leg around into his stomach. He gasped for air and fell to theground. My anger grew with every hit, but I began to like this. Years and yearsof staying calm and collected, holding in all my emotions, fixing everyoneelse's problems, ripping myself apart inside. It was all being paid off rightnow, in the rain, outside his apartment.

"WHAT THE H\*\*\* ISWRONG WITH YOU BEN!?" My fist found his face and my knee found his private. Another gasp and he fell to the ground. Through clenched teeth he kept talking. "What if you-WHAT IF YOU HIT HER LIKE YOU DID ME?! This isn't you BEN! I don'tKNOW who you are! Just get away from this place and leave her be." My eyesshifted to a wrench lying in the next door neighbor's house's lawn next to abroken sprinkler. I quickly swept around Haelo and picked up the tool. Haelowatched in horror as he realized what I was going to do to him. He pushedhimself up and I swung the wrench into his side and he fell once more. "...Ben...stop."He was holding his side in pain and I smacked him across the face.

"ILOVE HER D\*\*\* IT! I LOVE HER SO MUCH!" Tears came down my face mixing with therain, barely readable. He tried to say something and I back handed him. "NO!DON'T SAY THAT YOU DO TOO! YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY LOVE HER AS I DO!" I dropped tomy knees and as I lifted the wrench for a final attempt to finish him, Haelohad a weird glint of hope in his eyes and I stopped. Just as I was about toturn around to see what he was looking at, arms wrapped around me.

"NO! DON'T HURT HIMBEN!" Her loud cries sounded defenseless and beautiful. She was crying and Icould hear it in her voice. I made her cry again. My eyes darted from Haelo'sblank stare to her face buried in my side. She was getting soaking wet. Isuddenly couldn't handle it. I shoved her off of me and stood there and staredat both of their lost faces. I let the moment linger in my mind as I ran backto my apartment. As soon as I reached it, I locked the door and opened a bottleof strong liquor and drank it all quickly. Sucking it dry and wanting more llooked angrily at the empty bottle and threw it against the wall as itshattered into a million pieces. The liquor quickly took affect and I brokedown and cried. The glass sitting next to my trembling was so tempting and Icouldn't stop myself from what I did next.

My love was realbut my jealousy over took it. A one sided love that caused me to realize Icouldn't have her. The glass in my hand in the shape of a triangle with oddpoints jutting out of it. Absentmindedly I found the sharpest edge and carved"lost" in my arm. My eyes grew in horror as it bled heavily and every tear thatfell on it stung. I jumped up and franticly put my hand in the sink and washedthe blood but it kept coming. I searched my mind for sense but only found adark cloud keeping me from knowing what to do. A rag lying on the countercaught my eye and it occurred to me the pressure could stop the cut. With myother hand I pressed it on my arm and found others to replace it until itstopped bleeding.

The only thoughts that ran through my head were I'm gonnadie... And I ran to the bathroom and opened the cabinet. My hand scrambled through the shelves till I found myself some medical wrapping. After I wasfinished wrapping it, I became dizzy and stumbled into my room and onto my bed...Sleep washed over me, I puked, and fell asleep in it. Feeling the guilt runthrough my veins, wishing I could take back everything and find a way for Tearto forgive me... She should've killed meright there... Black...

## 13 - Rain Cascades Down Her Face...

~HPOV~~HPOV~

The rain cascadesdown her face as she lay on the concrete floor with that blank stare that she'shad on since he ran off. She looked likeshe was crying, but the rain covered up any sign of tears. It was now too darkto even know the message her eyes were holding. The pain was great, and I couldbarely stand to move. Yet I still yearned to hold her.

"Tear...thank you."She still lay there, as if she hadn't heard me. I didn't understand her, and Iwanted to so badly. I really knew almost nothing about her. Now, more thanever, I wanted her to speak. "Please..." It came out as hardly a whisper. More of a speaker for my thoughts than a voice.

Her hair was tangled and wet. Her skin was scraped and her eyes closed in front of me. The rain fell onto herlips, then soon began to fall as they trembled. Hermouth slightly opened, ready to say a word and I pushed passed every sound of every droplet of rain hitting the surface, just to hear her.

For a moment she just let hermouth open, as if it was a struggle to get a sound out. But just as I was aboutto ask her to say it a sound flowed out. "I always bring...everyone...hate." Myheart dropped. The words broke into my core screaming out for me to touch her.Using all my might, I pushed myself over to her, just to feel the breath comingout of those shaking lips.

"Don't say that. You've broughtme more happiness than I have felt since...forever. You made me smile, Tear. I haven'tin so long." My fingers stroked her soaked cheeks. She lifted her hand to herface and covered her eyes in disgrace. I removed it and she protested.

"Haelo,I don't deserve anything but dea..." I kissed herfirmly holding back the harsh words. I felt her lips still tremble beneath me,and I knew for sure...she was crying. I sat up and tried to depart from her lipsbut she wouldn't let me. Her arms pressed me towards her, and she sat up withme, lips so close I could feel her shallow, jagged breaths.

I whispered, "Let's go inside...your so cold." My lips brushed hers with every word. I triedhard to get up and finally I reached success, and she followed after.

When we reached the living roomshe grabbed my hand and guided me to the bathroom, and I hopped onto thecounter next to the sink. Then shelifted my shirt, and gasped. I looked down to see bruises the size ofbaseballs. She touched one on my stomach and I winced. "I'm so sorry...It's all my fault, I should have never..." I put my finger to hermouth.

"Don't speak like that any more...Ithurts." I pushed my self off the counter and turned on the shower. "I'll letyou clean up so you can sleep." As I turned to go she grabbed my hand andpulled me back in. She gave me a sad and almostangry look. "Stop leaving..." But I knew what she meant. She slipped off herskirt and socks, but left her shirt on. Her hands drifted over to me and shelightly traced a bruise on my shoulder. I lifted my hand to her waist andpulled her to me. She kissed me once more, and walked Tough it was odd to take ashower with clothes on, it never felt better havingher there to lightly wash my cuts and scrapes. After the shower I got her a bigt-shirt, and some boxers for her to sleep in. I puther clothes in the washing machine and crawled into bed with her curling upnext to me. She buried her head in my chest, and pressed her hands on my chestbetween me and her body. I wrapped one arm around her and let the other strokeher hair until she fell into sleep...and I followed her, hoping to share herdreams...