

What Should Have Been

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Disclaimer: I own part of the plot.

'Idiot Potter threw that curse at me; I've never even heard of that spell before.'

As Draco lay bleeding in the boys' lavatory with Professor Snape healing him, he slipped into unconsciousness and went back to the beginning of the year and the choices he should have made.

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"Draco, the Dark Lord wants you to kill Dumbledore." Lucius Malfoy, sitting in his wing-backed chair, was looking at his offspring like he had been given all the Galleons in Gringotts.

"I won't do it, Father; I won't concede to your master's plans."

It was the first time in years that he had stood up to his father, but after a bout of the Cruciatus Curse, Draco was soon begging him to stop, and accepted the evil task.

When Draco arrived at school, however, he did everything in his power to keep Dumbledore alive. He cast a poor Imperius on Madam Rosmerta, knowing that she would be able to break it if she chose to.

Katie was given the cursed necklace only after the Golden Trio had arrived, to make sure that they were thrown into the mix. A suggestive charm was cast on Professor Slughorn so he would share the mead with someone else, and Draco was constantly giving Harry clues to figure out that he was, in fact, NOT a Death Eater. Out of the Golden Trio, only Hermione figured it out, and she was his beacon of hope from then on. He knew that if she could see the true Draco, then he might have a future away from the Dark Lord and the Death Eaters.

From then on, he started to write to her secretly and anonymously, trying to get her to believe that he didn't want to do the things he was doing, but had no choice. Eventually, over time, she wrote to him saying she would do her best to make the Order believe him when he came to take refuge.

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Waking up, he found himself in the Hospital wing, with the coin in his pocket burning.

IT WAS TIME!

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AN/ That's it, hope you like it.

From HermioneDiggory: 1. An unconscious Draco dreams of what his life might have been like had he made different choices.