

Lemons and Thumbs

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Granger was peeling lemons for a cleaning potion when she nicked herself. The cut was angry and paper-thin, and with a wince she unthinkingly brought her wounded thumb to her mouth to suck the sour sting out.

Snape caught that little motion in the corner of his eye. The image of the girl, fresh lemons on the table, white finger to her small mouth, stayed with him longer than he thought it would. After that, he was drawn to her cupped hands, the fingers, the thumb, the smell of lemons, that mouth. He saw them when he closed his eyes.