

Dictionary Drabble

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It was late, well after the evening meal, when Severus returned to the dungeons. The Dark Lord's summons had taken him away from his new wife. They had married only a few hours before, and then the summons had come.

It was most annoying, but he did not wish to suffer the wrath of He-who-must-not-be-disobeyed!

During the meeting, his yearning for her became overwhelming.

He longed for this meeting to end. Casting his mind back to just a few months before, He recalled their meeting.

Severus had, at the insistence of Albus, taken a trip to the Wizards retreat in Portugal. It was sunny, and warm, and Albus said he needed the sun.. "You're too pale Severus!" were his exact words. "Get out in the sun, my boy!" Severus did have to admit Albus had a point.

As he walked the streets of the city, he took in the sights of the street vendors. One cart caught his eye, as he stood gazing upon rows and rows of rare potions texts from all over the world.

Reaching for one book in particular, he was stopped short when said book was plucked from the space and quickly deposited into a small basket. He looked up suddenly, and his eyes encountered a sight that his mind refused to let go.

She was sheer perfection, long dark hair, bright green eyes, and alabaster skin to rival any statue. She was demure, and looked away quickly when she noticed his gaze.

She moved away from the stall and set out to pay for the text. His next move brought him to her side. He smiled at her and said, "My name is Severus Snape, might I ask you to lunch?"

He was rewarded with a smile as she looked at him and replied, "I am Erin Selkirk, and yes, Mr. Snape, I will have lunch with you."

It was a two month vacation that was ending much too soon.

Severus would be returning to Hogwarts on the morrow.

As he sat there thinking about her, he knew in his heart he couldn't leave her, he'd fallen in love.

At dinner that night, he had asked her to marry him and she had said yes. His heart filled with joy at the fact that he would not have to leave her behind.

Many times in the past, he had let his Xenophobia get in the way of his happiness, and he vowed it would not happen this time. It would not destroy his happiness. They decided to wait until they reached Hogwarts, to be married. Severus wanted her to meet Albus and Minerva, and he knew they would welcome her with open arms. Entering his rooms, he spied her on the sofa. She was reading, and as he approached her she stood and gave him a kiss. Her hand trembled as she caressed his face, and he gently murmured, "Erin, I must ask you not to be afraid." He knew she was a virgin, and he wanted to put her at ease. "I promise, I will not hurt you." he whispered. "I know you won't." she responded with a warble, as she gently nibbled his earlobe. Her voice was a caress to his heart and mind. His hand began to pull at the zipper on her robes, and as he kissed her, he knew that his life was at last complete.

This Fun Challenge was issued at Potter Place:

Rules:

1. Use some or all of the following words in a drabble (doesn't have to be 100 words--anything under 1k is fine)
2. Word list changes every Saturday
3. Upload your drabbles here or at the Petulant Poetess under the Potter Place Fun Categories (any other archive is fine as well). Remember, SH has a Potter Place Category.
4. Have fun, baby! Whoot!!

It should be interesting to see what we can come out with using dictionary.com's daily words while boosting our vocabulary. Teehee

The word list (swiped from the past week's list):

1. excrescence
2. obsequious
3. xenophobia
4. jollification
5. deus ex machina
6. bellwether
7. ostentation