

KISMET

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With thanks to William Shakespeare

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**The digital clock reads 01:00 - 14th February 2010.**

A series of vibrant photographs of ROSALIND growing-up line the walls of her bedroom.

Across the bedside table bottles of prescription drugs for ROSALIND MORGAN indicate a change in her life.

In the bed, ROSALIND is propped upright with a mass of pillows. ROSALIND'S face is ashen; nasal oxygen prongs connect her to a cylinder of O2.

ROSALIND'S eyes focus onto the clock, she watches time move forward. A light crosses the bedside table accentuating the title of the book 'Romeo and Juliet'.

ROSALIND (V.O.)

Valentine's Day and I am dying of a broken heart. I'm not a star-crossed lover; but I am waiting for someone to give me their heart. One pain lessened by another's anguish

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The bedside table is a mass of books, the largest is a copy of GRAY'S ANATOMY. A dark blue nursing sister's uniform hangs from the wardrobe door.

ROSALIND (V.O.)

My donor, whoever they are, is certain to die a premature death, but they don't know that at this moment in time. This but begins the woe others must end.

TONY embraces MARIA, his beautiful wife.

TONY

Maria, I'm dying for a ...

TONY moves in and kisses MARIA.

MARIA

You're so romantic.

MARIA laughs as TONY produces a Valentine's card from beneath his pillow. MARIA smiles, kisses TONY and falls back against the bed, her eyes focus on the clock. TONY follows her gaze.

TONY

Come on, throw a sick day, please.

MARIA almost gives in before pushing TONY away. She moves fast, knocking GRAY'S ANATOMY onto the floor, exposing a copy of Romeo and Juliet. MARIA grabs the nurses uniform and makes a haste exit.

TONY (CONT'D)

Your card.

MARIA

Later, Tony.

The front door bangs shut.

3 INT. ROSALIND'S LIVING ROOM. DAY.

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**The digital clock reads 10:00 - 14th February 2010.**

MARIA sits opposite ROSALIND, who is reading 'Romeo and Juliet'.

MARIA

Rosalind, when is your transplant due?

ROSALIND fails to acknowledge MARIA.

ROSALIND

I talk of dreams.

A loud ring-tone from ROSALIND'S mobile phone breaks the moment.

ROSALIND (CONT'D)

Hi Rosalind Morgan...

PHONE VOICE

Game on, Rosalind. We have a possible donor.

4 INT. ROSALIND'S BEDROOM. DAY.

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**The digital clock reads 01:00 - 14th February 2012.**

ROSALIND'S eyes focus onto the clock. The medical paraphernalia has been replaced with photographs of ROSALIND looking fabulous in her wedding veil.

ROSALIND

On Valentine's Day 2010, I found a new heart. Maria never made it to work. She was a victim of motorway madness.

ROSALIND'S husband TONY turns to face his new wife, they kiss. The ghost of MARIA stands at the foot of the bed.

MARIA

One fire burns out, another burns.