

"Zoe"

M/W DC  
Sam  
Zoe

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INT. STUDY -- CONTINUOUS

Sam enters the dark study. Zoe is huddled on a love seat, clutching a pillow. Mascara runs down her cheeks.

Start

SAM

Hey, Zoe. How you doing?

ZOE

Let me guess. My mother sent you in here to tell me I should go crawling back to Bryce.

SAM

No. I didn't even talk to your mom. I just came in here to.... get a book. A book on law.

Sam pretends to scan with interest the leather-bound rows of law books.

ZOE

Maybe she's right. Maybe Bryce is right, too. Maybe I am just a clingy, needy brat.

SAM

You? Not at all.

ZOE

I'm not? Really? Wait, which one am I not? Clingy, needy or bratty?

SAM

All of them. I mean, none of them. You're none of them.

ZOE

Come on, Sam, even I have to admit I'm a little needy.

SAM

Yeah, okay, you're a little needy.

ZOE

(wounded)

Well, that's just great, it's like I'm talking to Bryce all over again.

Zoe turns and faces away. Sam tries another tack.

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SAM

Zoe, you're a great girl. And if Bryce dumped you, he's the clingy one.

ZOE

That doesn't make any sense.

SAM

That's true. He's a brat?

ZOE

Yes, he is. A beautiful, golden-hearted, brat. And I drove him away. What if I never meet anyone like him again?

SAM

Weren't there things about Bryce that drove you crazy?

ZOE

Well, let's see. I always wanted to cut my hair short, and he was always, always against that.

SAM

That's great. Now you can cut your hair. Discover a whole new short-haired Zoe.

ZOE

(touching her hair)  
Why? You don't like it long?

End