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Important!

This is Part 3 of Haruna's Story. *The story starts in Haruna's Story Part 1.*

In the story, there are some Japanese words.

The Japanese words are

1. shacho - Company President/CEO
2. san - Mr/Ms (E.g. Tanaka san = Mr Tanaka)
3. Izumo - a city in Japan
4. Matsue - a city in Japan
5. Shimane - a prefecture in Japan
6. Izumo Taisha - a famous shrine in Japan
7. Golden Week - A week long holiday in Japan in May
8. go-en - fate / karma / special relationship / special bond to a person
9. guzen - a coincidence

Chapter One

Grace Lily comes to Haruna's shop with her two bodyguards and an assistant. There are many photographers outside the shop. They are taking photographs. Some are trying to get into the shop. A bodyguard stands near the door to stop the photographers entering the shop.

Haruna can see some TV cameras outside. It is very noisy.

"Good morning, Ms Lily," says Haruna. "How are you today?"

"I'm good thank you," says Grace. "Haruna, are you busy?"

"Busy? Er...yes, but...well, er... I work in this shop every day," says Haruna.

"Is your shop busy in the morning?" asks Grace.

"Well, some customers come to our shop in the morning, but most customers come in the afternoon or evening," says Haruna.

"Good!" says Grace. "Now, I am making a movie at the studio near here. I would like you to do my make-up."

Haruna is very surprised. She looks at Grace Lily.

"Pardon? Could you say that again, please?" says Haruna.

"I would like you to do my make-up for the movie," says Grace. "Do you understand?"

"Me? Do your make-up? For a movie?" Haruna says slowly.

"Yes!" says Grace.

"But...but...Ms Lily, I am not a movie make-up artist. I am a cosmetics saleswoman," says Haruna.

"Yes, I know. But I like *Nice Ume-leaf Cosmetics*. I wear *Nice Ume-leaf Cosmetics* lipstick, mascara and powder every day. The quality is very high. And I like your technique. You are very professional. You work hard. You listen to me. You answer my questions about cosmetics. You know many things. Your technique is better than my make-up artist's technique. So, I want you to help me," says Grace. "Can you help me? I need your help until December."

"Er...well...I...er...I don't know...er..." says Haruna.

"I need an answer!" says Grace loudly.

"Er...I will talk to my shop staff, and then I will call you," says Haruna quickly.

"Okay. Please call my assistant later," says Grace.

Grace, her assistant and bodyguards leave the shop. They get into a large black car and drive away.

A reporter comes into the shop.

"What did Grace ask you? What did she say?" asks the man quickly. Then, a photographer takes Haruna's photograph.

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