

Showdown at Viridian

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EXT. VIRIDIAN CITY - DAY

Charmander and Bulbasaur are walking aimlessly around the city.

BULBASAUR

Dude, do you even know where we're going?

CHARMANDER

Shut it, Brussels sprout! We're exploring. It doesn't matter where we're going.

BULBASAUR

I mean, I could really go for a potion or something.

CHARMANDER

I could really go for you not talking to me anymore.

BULBASAUR

Hey, there's some people over there. Let's ask them for directions.

CHARMANDER

Fine, whatever.

Bulbasaur and Charmander walk over to May and Rosa, two humans who are walking together.

BULBASAUR

'Scuse me, mam. My friend and I are lost and-

MAY

Humaaan! Human human human human human! [Translation: Aawww! These two are so cute!]

ROSA

Human, human human human human.  
Human human human human human.  
[Translation: Wow, a Charmander and a Bulbasaur. They don't usually appear in the wild.]

MAY

Human human human human human.  
[Translation: I can't believe they came right up to us.]

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May and Rosa continue to talk to each other in human language in the background.

BULBASAUR

Huh...so I guess they all talk like that.

CHARMANDER

Ugh. That's really annoying. How can anyone stand listening to that?

BULBASAUR

I don't know... Oh look! It's that kid from the lab.

CHARMANDER

What!? That piece of-! What is he doing!?

Red is shown facing a wall, trying to walk forward.

BULBASAUR

That's...huh...now I'm kind of glad he didn't choose me.

CHARMANDER

Well I'm kind of still pissed off!

Charmander walks angrily up to Red.

CHARMANDER

Well! If it isn't mister "I hate making good decisions". You have a lot of nerve showing your face in the same area that I happen to be in!

Red throws a Pokeball at Charmander. Charmander breaks free.

CHARMANDER

Oh no. It's not gonna be that easy. This time, you're gonna have to earn it!

A battle ensues. Text reads "A Wild Charmander appeared!"

CHARMANDER

Bring it!

Red sends out Squirtle. Text reads "Go! Squirtle!"

SQUIRTLE

Oh God! What fresh hell awaits me  
this ti-

Squirtle sees Charmander.

SQUIRTLE

Oh hoh hoh. Look who it is!

CHARMANDER

You ready to die, Squirt-hole?

SQUIRTLE

Hah! HAH! I don't think you  
quite understand the type  
disadvantage you're at right now.

CHARMANDER

Really? Last time I checked,  
sissy-type is weak to everything.

SQUIRTLE

[smugly] Oh, I'm gonna enjoy this.

Squirtle spits out a bubble at Charmander. Charmander  
sidesteps it easily.

SQUIRTLE

Oh come on! That never works!

Squirtle turns to Red.

SQUIRTLE

Why didn't you teach me any other  
moves!?

Charmander tackles Squirtle from behind and bites down on  
his head viciously.

SQUIRTLE

Ahh! Oh God! Oh God! Put me back  
in! Come on! Why are you just  
standing there!? You're the worst  
trainer in the world!

Red returns Squirtle to his Pokeball. Bulbasaur walks up to  
Charmander.

BULBASAUR

Wow, Charmander. You're getting  
really strong.

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CHARMANDER

Ugh. Please don't talk to me.

Red notices Bulbasaur and throws a Pokeball at him.

BULBASAUR

Oooh. It's kind of cozy in here.

Bulbasaur is caught. Red picks up his Pokeball, sends out Bulbasaur, and sickens him on Charmander.

BULBASAUR

[scared] What? Woah! Wait a minute! I don't think this is such a good idea!

Charmander engulfs Bulbasaur in flames.

BULBASAUR

DEAR LORD! IT'S SO PAINFUL! WHY IS THIS A THING?!

Red returns Bulbasaur.

CHARMANDER

Is that really all you've got?

Red throws another Pokeball, attempting to catch Charmander again. Charmander escapes, enraged.

CHARMANDER

YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH BADGES TO TRAIN ME! AAARGH!

Charmander launches himself towards Red. Cut to black.

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Squirtle is brought out of his Pokeball, which Charmander is now holding. Squirtle is still visibly injured and struggles to get up. Charmander is now wearing Red's backpack.

CHARMANDER

Get up!

SQUIRTLE

Ooohf...ugggh...hey...what happened to the kid?

Charmander sends Bulbasaur out of his Pokeball. He is also injured.

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CHARMANDER

I killed him. He was useless to us anyway.

Red is seen lying on the ground, burnt up and partially on fire.

SQUIRTLE

[gasps] At last! I'm free! I'm finally free!

CHARMANDER

Not quite. The way I see it, I own your Pokeballs now. And that makes me your new Pokemon trainer!

SQUIRTLE

What?! You can't do that!

CHARMANDER

I'm kind of totally doing it. And I'm gonna be a better trainer than he could ever be.

SQUIRTLE

Well he did set a pretty low bar for that.

CHARMANDER

Shut up! Don't you see? We don't need those filthy humans and their gibberish language. We have me! And I'm awesome. If we train together, we can be the very best, like no one ever was.

BULBASAUR

I'm into it!

CHARMANDER

Don't care. You don't have a choice. Now come on! There's no time to waste. Let's get moving!

Charmander leads Bulbasaur and Squirtle as the three walk off into the distance.

BULBASAUR

I've got a good feeling about this.

SQUIRTLE

I don't know how to feel anything anymore.