

SCISSORS, PAPER, STONE!

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EXT. STREET - NIGHT

THUG, wearing black hoodie, face mask, sunglasses, threatens WOMAN with knife.

THUG

Faster! Give me your wallet!

The woman rushes, takes out her wallet. ROSHAMBO, cut-out of scissors over his two eyes, cut-out of stones on his shoulders, paper on his torso, enters.

ROSHAMBO

Stop right there!

Thug turns around.

THUG

Huh? What the hell are you wearing?

Woman runs away.

THUG

(turns)

Oi! Now she run away, I have to rob you. You better have money.

ROSHAMBO

I do, and I'll give it to you. As long as you can beat me.

THUG

You wanna fight ah?!

ROSHAMBO

Yes... at scissors paper stone!

THUG

What? Like the game?

ROSHAMBO

That's right, beat me at scissors paper stone and take all the money you want. But if you lose, you have to promise to give up this life.

THUG

Why don't I just beat you up for the money? I dont need to play scissors paper stone at all.

ROSHAMBO

Yea, you can do that. If you're too scared to play.

THUG

Scared?

ROSHAMBO

Yea. If you're too scared to play a little game of scissors paper stone. Just a kid's game and you're scared, how are you even a criminal? I guess I should give you my money. You might need it to buy baby food.

THUG

Shut up! Fine! Let's play.

ROSHAMBO

That's what I thought.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

THUG

Scissors paper stone!

Thug and Roshambo throw out their hands. Thug throws paper. Roshambo throws scissors.

THUG

What... Again!

ROSHAMBO

You'll never win.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

THUG

Scissors paper stone!

Thug throws rock, Roshambo throws paper.

THUG

How... one more!

ROSHAMBO

Last one.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

THUG

Scissors paper stone!

Thug throws scissors, Roshambo throws rock.

ROSHAMBO

Told ya. Now LEAVE! And NEVER come back! Or else, the mighty Roshambo will beat you again!

Thug scurries away.

2 INT. ROSHAMBO'S HIDEOUT - LATER

Roshambo is eating some bread on the dining table, still in costume. MUM walks in.

MUM

Bo?

ROSHAMBO

Hi Mum. I was fighting crime.

MUM

So late ah.

ROSHAMBO

Yeah, I tried getting the criminals to do it in the day but they don't wanna for some reason.

MUM

Funny.

Bo laughs.

MUM

(sighs)

Bo... I know you have the ability to always win at scissors paper stone.

ROSHAMBO

Twelve thousand two hundred and six wins, and counting.

MUM

Yep, and I'm glad I have a son that uses his talent to help people. But I want you to know there may be times where you won't be able to solve everything with your talent, and I hope you can stay strong even when that happens.

ROSHAMBO

Thanks for worrying, Mum. I understand, but there's no need. Because, I never lose.

CUT TO:

3 I/E. VARIOUS - NIGHT

MONTAGE START

- Roshambo winning at scissors paper stone.
- Roshambo prowling the streets.
- Roshambo winning at scissors paper stone.
- Roshambo chasing after villain.
- Roshambo winning at scissors paper stone.
- Roshambo protecting victim from villain.
- Roshambo winning at scissors paper stone.
- Roshambo leads victim to police station.
- Roshambo winning at scissors paper stone.

MONTAGE END.

4 EXT. STREET - NIGHT

Roshambo walks around, on guard.

ROSHAMBO  
About time to head back.

GUN (O.S.)  
Not so fast.

Roshambo turns back. GUN, dark gunslinger outfit, masquerade mask, walks towards Roshambo.

ROSHAMBO  
State your name.

GUN  
Gun.

ROSHAMBO  
...Just Gun?

GUN  
Just Gun. I heard you've been going around playing hero.

ROSHAMBO  
No, I've been playing scissors, paper, stone. I am a hero.

GUN  
We'll see about that. Let's play.

ROSHAMBO  
 Alright, but the rules are that if  
 you lose, you'll stop any  
 villainous activities.

GUN  
 So, if I win, I can continue?

ROSHAMBO  
 If you win. Which you won't.

Gun smirks. They both hold out their hand.

ROSHAMBO	GUN
Scissors, paper, stone!	Scissors, paper, stone!

Roshambo throws out stone. Gun throws out paper.

ROSHAMBO  
 Wha-

GUN  
 OH! Looks like I won.

ROSHAMBO  
 Wait, something's wrong.

GUN  
 Yea, me! Because I'm a villain! And  
 I get to stay a villain- because I  
 won.

ROSHAMBO  
 No, no, no, no, no, no. No. No  
 way...

GUN  
 (villain laugh)  
 What's your plan now, hero?

Roshambo runs away.

5 INT. ROSHAMBO'S HIDEOUT - LATER

Bo staring blankly at the dining table. Mum walks in.

MUM  
 Another late night of crime-  
 fighting huh?  
 (beat)  
 Bo? Are you okay?

ROSHAMBO  
 I lost.

MUM

Oh... What happened?

ROSHAMBO

This guy called Gun challenged me... said by winning he'd get my permission to be a villain... and he won.

MUM

And then?

ROSHAMBO

Then nothing, Mum! I cried and I ran away.

MUM

I'm dissapointed Bo.

ROSHAMBO

What? You think I'm not? I spent all this time winning as a hero, and now... it's all over.

MUM

I don't care that you lost. I'm disappointed that you ran away.

ROSHAMBO

Huh?

MUM

Was being good at scissors, paper, stone all you had? One little loss and you run away?

(beat)

Was winning the only reason you were a hero?

ROSHAMBO

No! No... I wanted to be a hero to help people. I wanted to make sure everyone could make it home safe. I wanted to make the world better.

MUM

That's right. Bo, everyone fails sometimes. Even if it's unexpected, even if it hasn't happened before. Hell, even the mighty Roshambo fails.

Bo gives small smile.

MUM

But the important thing is to never forget your heart. It's why you stay up every night to fight crime. It's why you want to help people.

(beat)

Remember it, and stay true to it.

Bo gets up, hugs his Mum.

ROSHAMBO

Thanks. I know what to do now.

Mum nods, Bo leaves.

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EXT. STREET - LATER

Gun takes money from a victim, shoos them away. Roshambo comes in.

GUN

Oh hi there, hero! Back so soon?

ROSHAMBO

Let's play scissors, paper, stone.

GUN

Didn't you learn your lesson? You can't beat me.

ROSHAMBO

Let's play.

GUN

It's your death wish.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

GUN

Scissors paper stone!

Gun throws paper, Roshambo throws stone.

GUN

See, You can't beat me!

Roshambo stares at his hand.

ROSHAMBO

...Again.

GUN

Hmph.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

GUN

Scissors paper stone!



Gun throws stone, Roshambo throws scissors.

ROSHAMBO

Again.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

GUN

Scissors paper stone!

Gun throws scissors, Roshambo throws paper. Gun turns, to walk away.

ROSHAMBO

Again.

GUN

(turns back)

Seriously? Why can't you learn?

ROSHAMBO

Again.

GUN

Tch.

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

GUN

Scissors paper stone!

Gun throws paper, Roshambo throws stone.

ROSHAMBO

Again.

GUN

Enough is enough-

ROSHAMBO

Again!

Gun throws stone, Roshambo throws scissors.

ROSHAMBO

Again-

GUN

Why aren't you giving up?!

Gun punches Roshambo in the face, Roshambo reels back, staggers, steadies himself.

ROSHAMBO

(wiping blood)

...Again.

GUN

Argh!

ROSHAMBO

Scissors paper stone!

GUN

Scissors paper stone!

Gun throws scissors, Roshambo throws stone. Roshambo pumps fist in the air.

ROSHAMBO

(shouting)

Yes! I won!

Gun stares at his hands, then look at Roshambo, scowls.

GUN

You only won once, I-I won every other-

ROSHAMBO

You can win as many times as you want! But I will never relinquish. No matter what! I'll challenge you forever. You will **never** be the real winner!

GUN

(disgusted)

Screw this.

Gun walks away. Roshambo points his fist at Gun.

ROSHAMBO

Let every villain know, the mighty Roshambo won't stop until they're defeated! Because I am a hero!

THE END.