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**PHILIA.**

My name is Philia.

**HERO**

Yes.

**PHILIA**

I do not know your name, but you have beautiful legs.

**HERO**

My name is Hero and ... uh ... you have beautiful legs, I imagine.

**PHILIA**

I would show them to you, but they are sold.

**HERO**

I know.

**PHILIA**

Along with the rest of me. I cost 500 minae. Is that a lot of money?

**HERO**

Oh, yes.

**PHILIA**

More than 300?

**HERO**

Nearly twice as much.

**PHILIA**

Those are the two numbers that mix me up, three and five. I hope that captain doesn't expect me to do a lot of adding.

**HERO**

You can't add?

**PHILIA**

We are taught beauty and grace, and no more. I cannot add, or spell, or anything.

I have but one talent.

*SONG*

**HERO**

(Spoken)

Philia ...

**PHILIA.**

Yes?

**HERO**

Say my name!

**PHILIA**

Just say your name?

**HERO**

Yes.

**PHILIA**

Very well.

(A blank look comes over her face.)

I have forgotten it.

**HERO**

(Disappointed)

It's Hero.

**PHILIA**

Forgive me, Hero. I have no memory for names.

**HERO**

You don't need one. You don't need anything.

*SONG CONT.*

**HERO**

(Spoken.)

Do you know? I've never been kissed before.

**PHILIA**

That's the very first thing they teach us.

**HERO**

Philia ... I love you.

**PHILIA**

And I love you.

*(THEY embrace, part as HYSTERIUM enters from center house, muttering.)*