

# **THE FIRST 23 DAYS**

**Secret Conversations Of An Internet Romance**

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# **FOREWORD**

## *As told by Gianni*

The following account is our true love story. We were once two lonely people, but our experiences have been carefully crafted into a beautiful and touching mini-biography, including the very best portions of transcripts from many of our online chats and email messages that we exchanged following a chance meeting on a Christian dating site.

Our love story is simple. We are a middle-aged man and woman who have made mistakes in life just like anyone else, who have raised children, who have failed in long-term marriages, and who had been searching for a fresh start in life.

It is not an online tale of erotica, although great passion is shown to build within us along the way. It is honest. The conversations you will read are just simple interactions between Sophie and myself. We were trying to get to know each other - and quickly learned how much we had in common. This segment of our story describes how we began to discover each other. You, the reader, will be a spectator peering secretly into the windows of our souls as we communicate with each other for over three weeks - from a distance. During this time, we sensed within ourselves escalating passion,

that would ultimately reach the great climax of the first time we would finally meet face to face.

If you have any doubt that two people can connect online and still feel the same way about each other after meeting in person, you will change your mind forever after reading this wonderful story of our blossoming internet romance.

Names and some specific details have been changed or left out. Brackets [ ] are used to show changes in original names or other details. Portions of transcripts where we deleted information are followed by .....

For the most part, the grammar has not been corrected from the original transcripts of emails and online chats in order to maintain the normal feel of that kind of communication.



# INTRODUCTION

## As told by [Gianni]:

I had been separated and going through a divorce for nearly two years. I was excited to see an email from [\[Dobelinlo17\]](#) on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. I couldn't believe she replied to the "INTEREST" I had sent earlier that day. I thought to myself "No way". I was really attracted to her picture and I could tell, even from her short and to-the-point profile, that there could be some compatibility with this woman from New Jersey.

I had some experience checking out online dating sites after my first marriage had dissolved. I had grown a little weary of contacting women who lived too far away, but I was still willing to drive a reasonable distance for the right woman.

A day later on the fourth of July, when I logged into the Christian dating site, which I only joined a few days earlier, my heart jumped when I soon realized that [Dobelinlo17](#) seemed to be online at the time.

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## As told by [Sophie]:

It was the fourth of July, 2008. I logged back into the Christian Dating site that I had joined about a month prior. At the time, I was

separated from my husband of twenty years and just looking for someone in my area to go out with for a night ...nothing serious. I did not even believe that true love existed. I just wanted someone to hang out with, in other words, I just wanted some company. I deleted profiles of anyone who lived further away than ten miles. I received dozens of inquiries to my profile, in large part because, as Gianni later would state, "you provided a very beautiful photo, which would naturally draw the average guy, along with a sweet, down to earth description of yourself".

To this day, I am still not sure why, but I did respond to one "INTEREST" from a man in Pennsylvania. I have no idea why I was thinking about responding to him because I was determined to find someone locally. After reading his profile description - how he searched for a companion who loved animals as much as he did and someone who would share his spiritual values - I was drawn to send him an email. I am not even sure why I responded. I did not even check to see how far away he lived, which turned out to be three hours away from me. I was deleting profiles of men who lived much closer because of the "distance" and I really can't remember why I did not check or delete the profile.

When I logged in to the site as [Dobelinlo17], I was pleased to notice that [Destiformie20] was also online. I was not sure if he had received my email yet or not.

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## A COLLISION OF HEARTS

### As told by Gianni:

I thought the woman from New Jersey, whose user name was [Dobelinlo17](#), was very cute. I was looking for a woman who had Christian values, loved pets, was laid back and didn't take the little things in life too seriously. I was surprised when I got an email from her after sending an "INTEREST". I was very happy when I realized the email from her expressed a mutual interest. The e-mail was signed ["Sophie"]. When I found her online the next day, the fourth of July, 2008, I decided to start an online chat with her right away, a feature available on [the Dating Site].

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### As told by Sophie:

As I realized I was receiving an invitation to chat, my heart stopped. This was not the first time I had chatted online with someone; however, I was still nervous because I knew I wanted to impress [Gianni]. I had promised myself from the beginning that no matter what happened I would *be myself*. The chat began simply enough with the typical questions a guy and girl might ask when getting to know each other. As the first hour ticked

by, it was apparent Gianni and I had more in common than we ever could have imagined.

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*As told by Gianni:*

Since my separation, I was quite accustomed to the routines of online dating and the various protocols of such websites that promoted the idea of finding romance and love via the avenue of the internet. After a two-hour conversation with Sophie, I knew we had a connection. I just loved how we agreed with almost everything we talked about. We shared many similar life-experiences. We laughed together and empathized with each other. At the end of the online conversation, we both knew we wanted to get to know each other better.

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*As told by Sophie:*

I went to the Fourth of July fireworks that night but the only thing I could think about was the chat with Gianni earlier in the day. How was it possible to have so much in common with someone? I was totally convinced it was too good to be true and that he must be lying about certain things. How can anyone be trusted, especially on the internet? I tried so hard to think

of any inconsistencies in what he had said, but I could not come up with any. Still, he was way too nice; it couldn't be real, it just couldn't be.

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*As told by Gianni:*

I had been going through a divorce for over 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  years by this point, but as many lonely people do after they have separated themselves from a former husband or wife, I began to seek out companionship during the transition between "separation" and divorce. After the online conversation I had with Sophie, I was absolutely sure I wanted to get to know her better. We had connected so perfectly with each other. I felt completely at ease with her...no awkwardness, no feeling that I had to say just the right things so I wouldn't turn her off. Our conversation flowed as freely as the current of a fast moving creek. I knew I wanted to contact her again as soon as possible.

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# THE EMAILS BEGIN

As told by Gianni:

My children, [Cody and Mercedes], were with me the weekend after chatting with Sophie so I was not sure when I would be able to chat online with her again. However, I couldn't take my mind off of her and was determined to communicate via email until we could chat online again. I sent my first email to her before picking up my kids for the weekend.

We communicated very innocently for the next few days without getting flirtatious. Almost like pen pals, we continued to get to know each other with very average online email exchanges.

We looked forward to each new email we got from each other over the weekend. Sophie shared how she gave IQ tests to her two pit bulls. I talked about taking my daughter [Mercedes] for a drive at three in the morning and getting lost on the back roads. Sophie expressed her memories of living near a drive-in after I told her that I took my kids to a drive-in about an hour away on Saturday night because there are only about five of

them left in Pennsylvania. And we learned that we both enjoy contemporary Christian music.

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Then as the new week began, we discovered our work schedules. I work 3<sup>rd</sup> shift and Sophie works 1<sup>st</sup> shift. We later did our best to work around these different shifts as we continued to grow in our friendship. We also realized we both hate winter because of the cold, but enjoy the changing of seasons in Spring and Fall. I asked Sophie in an email what she thought about a few activities like drive-ins, swimming, hiking, walking, mini-golf, and zoos. Once again, we realized our compatibility because we both enjoy doing them all.

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*As told by Sophie:*

Gianni and I continued to exchange many emails with each other, and our relationship continued to grow minute-by-minute, hour-by-hour, day-by-day, until our face-to-face meeting would later occur. Although our communication began slow and simply, the passion silently built up within us. As the days continued, I hoped that it was soon time for one of us to take the initiative to catapult our growing bond to the next level.

Gianni admitted that it was difficult to meet people locally and still be compatible. We continued to get to know each other by discussing our ethnic backgrounds, physical attributes and other things that we liked/disliked.

Gianni is Swedish, has blue eyes, and his favorite color is brown. I told him that I am German/Hungarian, have green eyes, my favorite color is sky blue, and that I love sunflowers.

We had lots of fun with communicating, as you can read for yourself in this sample of e-mails...

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**Thursday, July 10, 2008**

*[Gianni,]*

*Hi again!! Not in bed just yet. Soon though.*

*Do people tell you that you are too nice? If not, they should!!*

*...*

*Hope you have a great evening. Thanks for your kind words*

*Sophie ...good night*

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*[Sophie,]*

*... You know that Nice Guys Finish Last. And they are also boring and predictable. Thanks alot!!*

*Have a good night and I'll try to forget you said that about me.*

*But it was sweet. ...Gianni*

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**Friday, July 11, 2008**

*OOPS, sorry . Just for the record, in my book, nice guys finish first and are not boring and predictable! I take it back if it helps*

*Forgive me?? Please...*

*FYI - nice girls finish last also LOL*

*Have a good day Sophie*

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*Good save!! You have fully redeemed yourself. I almost decided to turn over a new leaf and become a real jerk, buuuut, .....I'll give being a nice guy another chance.*

*And I am glad you consider yourself a nice girl because I'm not big on the "opposites attract" philosophy. And quite frankly, bad girls don't do a thing for me. And I am considering you more nice the more I get to know you.*

*...*

*Talk to ya later.*

*Gianni*

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*What a relief I feel better now!!*

*I tried the opposites attract thing once and it obviously did not work so I really don't want to go that route again. ...*

*...*

*Hope you can get out and enjoy the nice weather.*

*Sophie*

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**"I Have A Confession To Make"**

*...*

*And about the "opposites attract" philosophy, ...yea, I tried that before too. And I've been separated for almost 2 years.*

*Ohh, about the subject heading - I'm a little embarrassed to tell you this, and I probably shouldn't because it's too soon (happy weeklyversary by the way). Buuuuut, ok, here goes -*

*....I've fallen in like with you!*

*There, I said it. I'm sorry - was that too forward after only meeting a week ago? Yes, I genuinely like you.*

*Gianni*

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**"Re: I Have A Confession To Make"**

*Gianni,*

*I must say, you scared me. I could not imagine what you had to confess LOL. You are so cute. I like you too! It was not too forward, it was very sweet.*

*It has been a whole week already? It has been so much fun that I did not even realize a week went by. I really do look forward to seeing [Gianni] in my in-box!!*

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*Sophie*

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*Hi Sophie,*

*It is you who are being kind. You are very refreshing. ...*

*You're a sweetheart.*

*Thanks for your comeback. At least we're still in agreement.*

*Gianni*

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## **THE FELLOWSHIP OF MUSHMELLONS**

*As told by Gianni:*

That day, we also chatted on the Christian Site where we first met. During the course of that conversation, we laughingly discovered we are both "softies". We joked how we both usually willingly submit to our children's requests, always try to get along with people without getting into arguments, and may be easily taken advantage of by others because of our easy-going personalities.

I suggested that we start a secret club called "The Fellowship Of Mushmellons" because of our shared characteristics as *softies*. Not surprisingly, because our friendship naturally flowed in unison for seven straight days, Sophie readily agreed.

We even consented on the first rule of our private club:

#### **1. Agree To Disagree**

As we continued to learn about each other, we loved how we were in agreement with so much already. We were determined to be in agreement -

even if we disagreed. We wanted to respect each other's differences and promise to get along, no matter what, as we continued to get to know one another.

When I sent Sophie another email that same Friday evening, I referred back to our conversation regarding the Fellowship of Mushmellons.

**"Hi M&M"**

*...Thank you for "agreeing" to be the co-founder of TFOM. I therefore dub you M&M (short for **MushMellon**), your official secret name. Also thank you for "agreeing" to **AGREE TO DISAGREE** as our founding principle. That way, no matter what, we will always still agree even when we don't. We don't want to spoil our reputation do we? Thanks for your recent friendship - where ever it is leading or whatever it means. It's been fun and has added pleasure to my last few days.*

*Gianni*

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**"Re: Hi M&M"**

*I agree LOL, I really did not know what else to say!!*

Just remember friendship works both ways, so thank you If I don't talk to you, have a good night at work.

*M&M*

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*As told by Gianni:*

In the next few email exchanges, we added two additional standards for "The Fellowship of Mushmellons". For #2, we both agreed that silence between each other should always be accepted. And for #3, Sophie suggested that we always expect honesty from each other. Then Sophie gave me my own nickname as a co-founder of TFOM. Since I called her M&M, she decided on the name Snickers, using it as an acronym for Super Nice Incredible Kind Extraordinary Someone, which I told her was really awesome of her to say about me.

I thought about Sophie continually every waking second of the day. She later told me that she was also constantly thinking about me. We hadn't crossed any extreme lines yet, but were growing closer in heart with each email and online chat.

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**Sunday, July 13, 2009**

**"Ouch"**

*Hi Sophie,*

*...just an extra note to let you know that I've missed you today. I know we've never met or anything, but I keep getting those annoying stomach pains when I think about you.*

*Hope you had a good day.*

*Talk to you soon?*

*Gianni*

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***Monday, July 14, 2008***

*Gianni,*

*Hi! How sweet. No one has ever told me I made their stomach hurt LOL. Here is a flower to make you feel better .*

*...*

*Just wanted to drop you a quick HI before work. I was going to reply to your e-mail yesterday but I don't remember why I didn't. Sorry .*

*Sophie*

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***"Relief"***

*Hi M&M,*

*It was a pleasure to see an email from you as I returned home from work this morning. The occasional pain has been transformed into butterflies as I read and now respond. I don't understand all that anatomical phenomena. All I know is it has something to do with "being in like with you" and looking forward to each time we have a chance to exchange emails or chat online.*

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*Of course I realize that July 26th will be a deciding factor in our relationship - and that is just part of the dating process. Either one of us could write a polite "Dear John/Joan letter afterwards.*

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*Snicks*

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# GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER

*As told by Sophie*

At this point in our relationship, our conversations were a mixture of "getting to know you" along with feelings of chemistry. I knew that something special was happening. I was just not quite sure what it was. I was a bit naïve because I never thought that our relationship would blossom the way that it eventually did. These e-mail exchanges demonstrate how we still had a lot to learn about each other, and also how we were connecting, and I did not even realize it.

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**Tuesday, July 15, 2008**

**"Good Morning M"**

*Our online communication has been flawless and electrifying (another way of saying we've made a connection, lol - had to be original). I am happy that you took the step to email me after I expressed an "interest" on [the Christian Dating Site]. It has been a pleasure cruise ever since.*

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*Bye for now, M&M*

*Snicks*

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**"Re: Good Morning M"**

*I love how you phrase things - flawless and electrifying!! Love it!!*

*Honestly I almost did not e-mail you because of the distance between us but*

*I am certainly glad I did!! It has been wonderful! (that's the best I could do*

*with a headache LOL). Going back one more, I almost cancelled my*

*membership to [the Christian Dating Site] (long story). Once again, glad I*

*did not .*

*...Thanks so much for all your kind words.*

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*Hope you get some rest. Talk to you soon. Have a great day Snicks.*

*M&M*

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**"that's gotta be in the top 5"**

*Hey Sophie,*

*I have to put that last email in the Top 5 list.*

*For having a headache, you really gave me a jolt. I'm taking a 10 min. break from sleeping, and I loved waking up to that one. I am really glad I've had the opportunity to get to know you.*

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*Welll, break's over. I have to go back to sleep.*

*Snicks*

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**"Wake Up"**

*Just kidding, you don't have to wake up! Hope you are sleeping well.*

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*When is your birthday? How tall are you? Just some things I don't know about you. I guess you could call this the curious e-mail LOL. Let me think, is there anything else hmmm...??? If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? OK, that's it, don't want to annoy you. Talk to you later*

*Sophie*

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**"Your Email Woke Me Up"**

*M,*

*I liked the last title to your email. It must have worked. I got a chuckle out of it when I "woke up" and checked my most recent email.*

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*Ok, to answer the "height" question. Let's just say I hope you don't like tall men. I'm 5'5". My birthday is Dec. 3. I think I remember you were like 5'4"? When is your b'day?*

*If I could go anywhere in the world? ...hmmm, Well, I've already been to Israel (part of the benefits package of attending a Bible College). To be honest, I don't care about "world" traveling. I would be happy just driving anywhere in the United States, where ever I had the chance to at the time, as long as I was with some one special to me. I like driving and doing different things, but I'm content with the United States.*

*And you couldn't possibly annoy me.*

*Snickers*

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*Going to Israel must have been awesome! I also am not big on seeing the world. I would love to see the US also because I have not seen much of it and there is so much to see.*

*I am 5'4", you have a good memory. My birthday is pretty close to yours (what a surprise!) November 18.*

*Talk to you soon*

*M*

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**As told by Gianni:**

That evening, we chatted online again through the website where we met. Chatting back and forth was when we really began to feel more comfortable with each other and began to draw even closer. After we got done talking, because I had to go to work 3<sup>rd</sup> shift, Sophie sent me one last email for the day to top off a great day of interaction that no doubt made us feel like our relationship was only growing.

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**"Good Night"**

*Gianni,*

*Hope you have (or had depending on when you read this) a good night.*

*As always, it was a pleasure talking to you.*

*I am going to bed. hope when you finally go to bed you have sweet dreams*

*Talk to you tomorrow.*

*Sophie*

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**Wednesday, July 16, 2008**

*Well M, you didn't disappoint me. Looking for an email from you when I got home from work, I felt the smile come to my face and the butterflies fluttering in my stomach as soon as I saw your name attached to one of two emails in my box. I think I said, "Yesssss" as well.*

*Your email is still relative since I haven't gone to bed since we last spoke, so I can still have a good night (so to speak). And I will certainly have sweet dreams since all I think of lately is M&M.*

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*When I sent you an "interest", I didn't really expect a response from someone I thought was so attractive. I love your hair and of course your smile. I was happy to see your email in my inbox on the site. And I haven't been disappointed yet.....*

*Talk to you later, M.*

*Snicks*

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**"Good Morning"**

*And you did not disappoint me Snicks. I did not really think you would have responded this soon. I was not in the best of moods this morning so thanks for cheering me up!*

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*Thank you so much for all your compliments. You don't know how much they mean to me. My husband was never one to compliment me for anything so I am soaking it all up!!*

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*Talk to you soon*

*M*

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**(Later That Day)**

*Miss you today Snicks, hope you are ok. Just wanted to let you know I was thinking about you. M*

**"Just woke up - awww"**

*You're making me blush M. I miss you too.*

*I think I actually slept straight through from the last email I sent you. The only reason I woke up is because [Mercedes] called. Of course, as*

*soon as I got off the phone with her, I checked my emails and found two very sweet messages in my box. And how can I not compliment you. I can't believe that your hubbie didn't have a few nice words for such an awesome woman as you!!*

*Snicks*

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#### **"Recommendation for #4"**

*Hello M&M,*

*I move for a recommendation for Rule #4:*

*\* Compromise to please fellow mushmellon.*

*Explanation: Mushmellons must never compromise on core faith and moral character. However, compromising to please the other - to make the other member happy is another thing.....*

*Yea or Nea?*

*And I have a question for you, M.*

*If you were driving somewhere out of town with someone close to you, and you or whoever is driving takes one or more wrong turns - and you realize that you are lost or off track, would you ...*

*A. become stressed out and feel out of control of the situation - and not really enjoy it.*

*or ...*

*B. turn it into a comical adventure and enjoy the spontaneity of the situation.*

*Hmmmmmmmm?*

*Snickers*

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### THE 13<sup>th</sup> DAY

Thursday, July 17, 2008

As told by Gianni

After a number of days of communicating with each other through emails and some online chats through the dating site where we met, there came a day when our form of expression changed from light-hearted "getting to know you" exchanges to something on a more personal level. As Sophie and I looked back on this day, we began to affectionately refer to it as "the 13<sup>th</sup> day". We have provided transcripts of two conversations that day. These conversations show a transition in our relationship, which changed the way we would communicate and grow from that point on.

Destiformie20: Sophie?

Dobelinlo17: Hey snicks how was work?

Destiformie20: same ol' same ol'.

Destiformie20: I'm guessing I need to check my email

Dobelinlo17: I sent you a long one

Destiformie20: ok, hold on for awhile then, lol

Dobelinlo17: ok

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**Gianni Reads Sophie's email before continuing their conversation**

**"Re: Recommendation for #4"**

*Hi Snickers!!*

*I had some time before I went to the Y.*

*I have more pictures of me that I can send you if you want. Just remind me and I will send them later. I don't have time right now.*

*I am in total agreement with #4, so yea. That is part of my personality anyway so it is not a problem. I am pretty good at compromise and I like to see people I care about happy. I bet you do too.*

*As for your question, also easy. I have a good example of that to answer your question because it has happened to us many times. We (me, husband, kids) were driving somewhere and we kept making wrong turns. It was getting late and we were on Rt78 and had to make a u-turn. The kids were getting tired of driving so on our final turn around you could see a beautiful sunset (one of my favorite things) so I pointed out to the kids that if we had not got lost we would not have been able to enjoy God's beautiful sunset creation. I was really trying to teach them to make the best of the*

*situation. I try to make the best of every situation. I actually do not mind getting lost anyway because it can be fun, you can see new things and you can learn new places. Did I say too much? I hope not. Your turn, how do you handle that situation?*

*I have had so much pain in my life that I feel it is important to make the best of everything so I try to laugh at myself as much as I can and make the best of everything. Sure, I get sad, but I try to keep it short and move on. I feel that I am stronger and a better person for what I have been through.*

*I hope I am not saying too much that you don't want to hear. I didn't know I could babble so early in the morning LOL.*

*I have to get going anyway. Time to exercise.*

*Talk to you later.*

*M&M*

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**Gianni returns from reading the email...**

**Destiformie20:** I love your babbling. And I love to get lost. It's usually a blast

**Destiformie20:** One time my kids and I took a wrong turn on the way back from the DC area. So we decided to keep driving and ended up at Rehoboth Beach

**Destiformie20:** And yes, when you have a chance, I would love to see some more pictures.

**Dobelinlo17:** I figured you would like to get lost. It really can be fun.

**Destiformie20:** it looks like you enjoy getting perms

**Destiformie20:** or you have some delightfully natural curly hair

**Dobelinlo17:** it's natural. Nobody believes me so it is ok if you dont.

**Dobelinlo17:** I actually used to keep it really short because I couldn't stand the curls, now I just work with it

**Destiformie20:** Of course I believe you. And you look just lovely

**Dobelinlo17:** thank you so much. I really do appreciate your compliments

**Destiformie20:** I can't help myself with you

**Destiformie20:** and believe me, you are doing pretty good with the compliments yourself

**Dobelinlo17:** it's easy with you

**Destiformie20:** ok, that deserves a peck on the cheek

**Dobelinlo17:** how sweet, right back at ya

Destiformie20: I might not be able to stop myself from pecking you in person

Dobelinlo17: Please, don't stop yourself! I won't mind, I promise

Destiformie20: hmmmmm

Destiformie20: I may just remember you said that

Dobelinlo17: I am counting on it!! Hold on a minute, I will be right back

Destiformie20: ok, take your time

Dobelinlo17: ok, thanks for waiting

Destiformie20: my pleasure.

Destiformie20: I'm just glad that I found you online.

Dobelinlo17: Me too

Destiformie20: We met on the 4th of July, but the fireworks are still on the ground display. The real excitement hasn't even begun yet.

Dobelinlo17: you are sooo cute

Destiformie20: Well, I am infatuated with you. I haven't even met you in person, but I feel we have come a long way in 2 weeks.

Dobelinlo17: I agree, oh NO I can't believe i just said that LOL

Destiformie20: yea, that's a switch

Destiformie20: lol

Dobelinlo17: I mean it though. I feel like I know you already

Destiformie20: I feel I know you as well. I find it hard to believe that I can connect so well with someone in what seems like virtually every area of life - spiritual, character, personality, likes, dislikes, ...

Destiformie20: I keep feeling like you are my feminine clone

Dobelinlo17: me too. it seems too good to be real

Destiformie20: I know, let's try to forget the phrase, "If it's too good to be true, it probably is"

Dobelinlo17: Deal!!

Destiformie20: And if we get along in person as well as we do online, I would drive to see you for the rest of my life if that was my only option.

Destiformie20: wow, that was deep

Dobelinlo17: I am speechless. That is so sweet

Destiformie20: I'd rather you were speechless because my lips were pressed against your's, but that's probably getting a little forward. Sorry

Dobelinlo17: not at all. I have thought about that

Destiformie20: good, then i'm not the only one

Dobelinlo17: not at all

Destiformie20: of couurse, we agree

Dobelinlo17: LOL

Destiformie20: All though your picture makes we want to start with your neck

Dobelinlo17: Just so you know that would make my knees weak

Destiformie20: then i will definitely start with your neck

Dobelinlo17: no complaints just make sure you are ready to hold me up LOL

Destiformie20: I will gently lower you to the ground, and theeen I will kiss you.

Destiformie20: Are we snowballing this conversation a little bit?

Dobelinlo17: no, that's ok. good think I am sitting down now LOL

Destiformie20: my lips are kissing the bottom of your ear lobe now.

Destiformie20: and I'm kissing your neck from the bottom of your ear to the bottom of your chin

Destiformie20: i'm moving my lips up from the bottom of your chin, up to your lips and exploring every portion with it's gentle waves and soft feel upon my own.

Destiformie20: you'd better stop me.

Dobelinlo17: why?

**Destiformie20:** The last thing i want to do is offend you. I'm just explaining to you how I would love to express myself to you physically as a manifestation of how I feel about you in every other way.

**Dobelinlo17:** and I am enjoying it. Like I said I have already thought about it so it is nice to know we are once again on the same page

**Destiformie20:** Then that one is on the lips, slowly and passionately

**Dobelinlo17:** good thing I am sitting down

**Destiformie20:** Sophie, I really do look forward to meeting you. It will add reality to our relationship

**Dobelinlo17:** I can't tell you how much I am looking forward to meeting you. Words just would not be good enough

**Destiformie20:** I will be able to come home and imagine the softness of your lips upon mine, the lingering taste of your sweetness

**Destiformie20:** honest, I'm not reading this from a book.

**Dobelinlo17:** LOL, I hope not

**Destiformie20:** I believe that we all have passion inside of us. But it takes special people to tap it out of us. You are one of those special people to me

**Dobelinlo17:** I have not felt like this in an extremely long time so thank you.

**Destiformie20:** Passion is what gives us life and happiness

Dobelinlo17: I have to go.

Destiformie20: OK, get going adorable

Dobelinlo17: I don't want to. hope to talk to you later. Get some sleep

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**"You are my sugar rush"**

*The taste of your soul gives me a sugar rush, M. I can't ever turn off my computer because I am becoming addicted to your sweet flavor. I have to keep returning for my next fix. I want to shoot you in my veins so I can prolong the ecstasy.*

*Now that I got that off my chest...*

*Talk to you later, M&M*

*Snickers*

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**"Re: You are my sugar rush"**

*I could never reply to that, it was just too flattering I have attached some pictures of me. Hope you like them.*

*Talk to you later*

*Sophie*

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...The earlier online conversation continued later

Destiformie20: Can I interest you in a Snickers?

Dobelinlo17: you sure can

Dobelinlo17: how about some M&M?

Destiformie20: mmmmmmmm

Destiformie20: no pun intended

Destiformie20: # 5 - Always speak encouraging words instead of discouraging words to fellow mushmellon. Yea or Nea?

Dobelinlo17: Yea

Destiformie20: Ok, (hammer down). All parties agree to stipulations of Rule # 5

Dobelinlo17: Perfect Question: We were planning to meet the 26th, can we change it to the 27th?

Destiformie20: I would be happy to "compromise"

Destiformie20: that is, I mean, the 27th is fine

Dobelinlo17: Thank you so much. Elizabeth really wants to go to a concert that day, You're the best. It's going to be hard waiting another day!

Destiformie20: Can we change it to tomorrow? (lol)

Dobelinlo17: I could do Sat

Destiformie20: I'm kidding. I have my kids this weekend.

Dobelinlo17: That's good you will have a chance to spend time with them. Any plans?

Destiformie20: This weekend will probably be a laid back one

Dobelinlo17: That's nice too. I think I have the same plans LOL

Destiformie20: hey, are you aware that it is getting late?

Dobelinlo17: I know, but this is more fun!!

Destiformie20: Yes it is. You are pure, untainted delight in my life

Destiformie20: I've never had delight in it's purest form

Dobelinlo17: You have also been a delight in my life.

Destiformie20: then we agree (again)

Dobelinlo17: Sort of, I have trouble with that. I like to apologize for things

Destiformie20: Ya know something. We won't have to utilize Rule # 1 very often

Dobelinlo17: no we won't

Destiformie20: As long as we don't discuss politics, we may never disagree on anything whatsoever (lol)

Dobelinlo17: That would be nice. I don't like talking about politics anyway

Destiformie20: hmmm, do I sense a Rule # 6?

Dobelinlo17: Never discuss politics?? Fine with me

Destiformie20: Ok, #6 is established

Dobelinlo17: Done!!! Yea

Destiformie20: Yea

Destiformie20: one moment

Dobelinlo17: ok

Destiformie20: I'm back

Destiformie20: You know I'm writing this stuff down don't you?

Dobelinlo17: I hope so because I will forget.

Dobelinlo17: Did you get my pictures?

Destiformie20: We can't establish Society Rules without engraving them in stone (so to speak)

Destiformie20: yes, i'm sorry.

Destiformie20: Have you any thoughts about what to do yet?

Destiformie20: First of all, would you consider meeting in Allentown?

Dobelinlo17: That is fine for me, isn't that too far for you?

Destiformie20: no, I'm happy you don't mind at least meeting me there.

Thank you for "compromising"

Dobelinlo17: You don't have to thank me

Destiformie20: Well, that is our first decision then. We meet in Allentown.

We'll figure out the rest over the next few days

Destiformie20: I did consider Dorney Park though

Dobelinlo17: Sounds good. Dorney park is good. I am not much for some of the rides though. I do roller coasters

Destiformie20: So you would like to try that?

Dobelinlo17: sure

Destiformie20: ok, dorney park it is.

Destiformie20: You've brought joy in my life, Sophie. thanks

Dobelinlo17: thank you for doing the same

Destiformie20: ok, go

Dobelinlo17: ok this is it, promis

## 6

### ***EMOTIONS TAKE CONTROL***

*As told by Sophie*

When I look back on these conversations and e-mails it is hard to believe that we had not even met yet. I can still remember feeling so connected to Gianni like I had known him for a lot longer than a couple of weeks. I was starting to have feelings for Gianni that I never had for anyone before in my life. It was an amazing time for me and I could not stop thinking about Gianni.

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*Friday, July 18, 2008*

**"Hi Miss Delightful"**

*Good morning M,*

*I pick my kids up at 6 tonight. But we will keep in touch. We have to now. Our emotions have taken control of the situation and we have little to say about the matter. I really hope that the emotion grows stronger instead of waning as a result of unknown future obstacles.*

*On the one hand, we have to be careful not to take the mentality of Hollywood romance movies and say we are in love after a few weeks of chatting and a date or two. On the other hand, we have to be honest about how we feel about the direction of our relationship - and wisely move forward, keeping as best an attitude as possible.*

*Sorry if that sounds a little tooooo psycho-analytical. I just know that I am very enthusiastic about our friendship and have strong hopes that we will not be ending this anytime too soon. The Fellowship Of Mushmellons has just opened up it's doors and needs a strong trial run.*

*Talk to you later M,*

*Snicks*

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**"Hi"**

*Good Afternoon Snicks (hope it is afternoon by the time you read this).*

*...You were not too psycho analytical with what you said. It is natural to think those things. I hope so anyway because all of what you said has been through my mind many times. Honestly, I agree with everything that you said (of course). I also want you to know that I will be nervous when I meet you.*

*Only because I am so excited to meet you and I don't want to disappoint you. My heart speeds up just thinking about meeting you.*

*I hope you have a great time with your kids. If I don't talk to you I will miss you, of course, but totally understand that your children come first. I hope you have a great weekend with them. I am surprising Elizabeth tomorrow by taking her to the movies (Mamma Mia). Andrew likes to go out to the diner so I will probably do that with him. Other than that, I hope to rest.*

*That's enough of my babbling. Hope you are having sweet dreams*

*Snicks.*

*M&M*

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**Gianni and Sophie met on a chat line a little later**

**Destiformie20:** Good Morning baaaaby

**Dobelinlo17:** Hi, I missed you

**Dobelinlo17:** a lot

**Destiformie20:** me to sweety

**Destiformie20:** too

**Dobelinlo17:** did you sleep?

Destiformie20: yes, thank you. My daughter just woke me up by calling

Destiformie20: and guess what's the first thing i did after i got done talking to her?

Dobelinlo17: checked your computer?

Destiformie20: and why was I checking my computer?

Destiformie20: for viruses?

Dobelinlo17: to see if I sent you an e-mail?

Destiformie20: that was a "winner" buzz

Dobelinlo17: Yea!! what did I win?

Destiformie20: a kiss on the lips

Dobelinlo17: that is the best prize ever

Dobelinlo17: thanks

Destiformie20: feel them pressed hard against yours with the palms of my hand spaced in the small of your back and your back shoulder bone

Dobelinlo17: I have been thinking about that. Actually I can't think of much else. I don't know how I am going to make it a whole week

Destiformie20: i am glad that you have been thinking about that. Because honestly, I probably am going to want to do more than shake your hand the first time I meet you.

Destiformie20: nothing to imply there

Dobelinlo17: do you think I could have a really big hug?

Destiformie20: I think that is the first thing that you are going to get, tight

Dobelinlo17: Real tight right?

Destiformie20: reaaaaal tight - and if we've hugged really tight, the rest of the day should go pretty smooth right?

Dobelinlo17: i think so, I know so

Destiformie20: because then, the mutual soul of all that we are together will then bond our bodies together as well, and make what we feel a reality. Too corny?

Dobelinlo17: not in my present state of mind

Destiformie20: that's good. I admit that would have been weird on the 2nd or 3rd day we were talking

Dobelinlo17: Definitely, but not now

Destiformie20: Right now, the passion I feel for you is as though we've been together - at least online - for months.

Destiformie20: I don't understand how that happens emotionally. But we have naturally connected from day 1.

Dobelinlo17: I don't understand either but it has happened

Dobelinlo17: you are so sweet, have I told you that?

Destiformie20: yes, you are sweet

Destiformie20: but you are sweet for more than calling me sweet

Destiformie20: you are delightful, darling, adorable, fun, exciting,  
passionate, thoughtful, for starters

Dobelinlo17: Thank you. You are too kind

Destiformie20: not kind enough to you

Dobelinlo17: stop

Destiformie20: you are smart, accomplished, responsible, compassionate, ...

Dobelinlo17: Oh come on, stop

Dobelinlo17: be right back. I have to use the rest room

Destiformie20: ok

Destiformie20: You are daring, adventurous, spontaneous, open

Dobelinlo17: Hey, that's enough I'm back by the way LOL

Destiformie20: ok, I'll stop

Dobelinlo17: Thanks

Destiformie20: It is my pure delight

Destiformie20: You have given me something to smile about everyday

Destiformie20: You have given me something to look forward to everyday

Destiformie20: you have given me a reason to feel passion everyday

Destiformie20: did i say i was going to stop?

Dobelinlo17: you did, what happened?

Destiformie20: when I look at your picture, I want to kiss you from the neck to the bottom of the v and back up the other side

Dobelinlo17: it takes my breath away

Destiformie20: but I only say these things because you have touched my heart in every other way.

Dobelinlo17: and you the same for me.

Destiformie20: I promise to give you that tiiiiight hug the first time we meet - as soon as we get close enough to touch, before we reach the gates at Dorney Park.

Dobelinlo17: I can't begin to tell you how much I am looking forward to that. I don't know how I will function from now until then

Destiformie20: just imagine my chest pressed hard against yours, my arms wrapped tight around yours, my neck wrapped restfully upon yours

Dobelinlo17: I have imagined it over, and over and over again

Destiformie20: I am elated that you have desired the same physical connection as me. It's just not as meaningful when it's one-sided

Dobelinlo17: I have had enough of one-sided so this is a welcome change for sure

Destiformie20: I could have refrained from talking like this beginning yesterday, and just played it safe all the way through the first date. But I wanted to express how I felt.

Dobelinlo17: I'm glad you did because then we both know we are thinking and feeling the same way

Destiformie20: and that's what you and I are all about

Destiformie20: and that's what has caused the passion to increase from day to day

Destiformie20: Listen, I'm no stud or 6-pack abs kind of guy, but we have something in the soul that needs to be considered

Dobelinlo17: I don't need a body builder guy. I want you

Destiformie20: you are special. For that, you get an extra long hug the first moment we meet

Dobelinlo17: I love hugs, thanks. I will hold you to it

Destiformie20: Maybe we'll just stand there and hug each other for 12 hours

Dobelinlo17: it would look weird but honestly I wouldn't mind.

**Destiformie20:** somebody might call the fire dept. because they think we need our arms pryed away from each other

**Dobelinlo17:** LOL that would be embarrassing

**Destiformie20:** a heck of a first date video to watch though, if we could get a hold of the tape from the news station

**Dobelinlo17:** we would be famous!!

**Destiformie20:** eventually, we will become more fascinating than Brad and Angelina

**Dobelinlo17:** yea right LOL

**Destiformie20:** ok, maybe that was over the top

**Dobelinlo17:** we would probably end up in jail for loitering LOL

**Destiformie20:** lol

**Destiformie20:** I'm just glad that when I asked you for the first date, you didn't say something like, "Oh, I was just enjoying our friendship. I don't think that we are ready for anything like that." or..."You are a really nice guy, but I don't see you like that"

**Destiformie20:** To be honest (of course), I was exchanging emails with another woman from Jersey a few weeks ago for a couple of weeks (It

wasn't as awesome communication as we have had). I got the "friendship" clause when I asked her out.

**Dobelinlo17:** I am sorry about that. Her loss, my gain.

**Destiformie20:** don't be sorry. I have never met a woman online yet that compares to you - on such a high level of compatibility. There has been connection and passion with some, but our compatibility is what is so uncanny - our similar pasts, backgrounds, experiences, spiritual beliefs, character, personality similarities, likes, dislikes, ...

**Dobelinlo17:** I am the lucky one

**Destiformie20:** I'll bet that if you and I made a list of ways we are compatible or similar (on one side of the paper), and ways we are different (on the other side of the paper).....it might be like 50 on the one side and 5 minor things on the other side. And we'd probably list all the same things - not necessarily in the same order.

**Dobelinlo17:** you are probably right. Isn't it amazing how we found each other?

**Destiformie20:** I've been looking for you for almost 2 years. Ok - that may seem like some kind of final statement, like "This is It!" And maybe it is. I

know I don't want to hurt you, but at this point, I can't imagine losing you either.

Dobelinlo17: you really do take my breath away, honestly.

Destiformie20: I am enjoying swimming in this spring of online passion - looking forward to meeting you when we can plunge deeper yet to where we can drown in each other's presence.

Destiformie20: Am I dreaming? I just slapped myself. And I think you are still here and I am awake. Is it true?

Destiformie20: Okay, what's the last thing you remember me saying?

Dobelinlo17: you are awake. I think sometimes this is not real

Destiformie20: yes, it is tooooo good

Destiformie20: You are tooooo awesome

Dobelinlo17: YOU ARE!!!

Destiformie20: NO YOU ARE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dobelinlo17: NO YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!! ARE!!

Destiformie20: FUNNY HOW WE DO THAT

Dobelinlo17: We are totally in sync

Destiformie20: insanely insync

Destiformie20: i wish you were laying by my side right now

Dobelinlo17: that would feel so good

Destiformie20: yes, it would. It will be strange meeting in person, but if we already know who we are together, how can it be anything but icing on the cake? I just may not be as smooth in person as online. ...at least not right away.

Dobelinlo17: I already told you I would be nervous. It is different online because you get to think about what you want to say. Let's just keep that in mind

Destiformie20: yes, when the spontaneity of in person conversation comes into play, it is definitely different. I want to be honest right now. I am much more eloquent with my writing - because like you said, we have a chance to think about it first

Dobelinlo17: I am the same way. I have been told that I am "quiet" but I like to give thought to what I say and not just blurt it out.

Destiformie20: well, as we've already said, we will be patient with each other and accept each other in person as we are. It will be a new experience communicating eye to eye, voice to voice. But I just look forward to staring deep into those lovely green eyes of yours

**Destiformie20:** And I'm glad that we've opened up a little bit on a passionate level. We both know how we feel and we don't have to feel that we'd be moving to fast in how we express ourselves when we meet.

**Dobelinlo17:** It does take the pressure off. I really can't even speak right now, you leave me speechless so here is a kiss for you

**Dobelinlo17:** and a hug

**Dobelinlo17:** oops

**Dobelinlo17:** see how distracted I am LOL

**Destiformie20:** you are soo adorable. I could eat you up

**Destiformie20:** and I don't care about how much or little you say. I know your heart. I know our heart together.

**Dobelinlo17:** The sun coming through the window, it is very hot in here, but you have given me chills up and down

**Destiformie20:** well, imagine my lips meeting yours, and moving down the right side of your neck, kissing and nibbling and sucking. sorry

**Dobelinlo17:** don't be sorry

**Destiformie20:** ok, i won't

**Dobelinlo17:** good

**Destiformie20:** my tongue tracing from your neck to the lower part of the vneck on your dress, and kissing you there, and tracing up your chest to under your chin, underneath until our lips meet once again

**Dobelinlo17:** do we really have to wait until next week?

**Destiformie20:** it will be a loooooong wait

**Dobelinlo17:** much too long.

**Destiformie20:** I would love to embrace you in my arms right now

**Dobelinlo17:** i'll be right there LOL

**Destiformie20:** i'm waiting. By the way, do you have the skill of teleportation?

**Dobelinlo17:** That would be awesome. I own a telephone, does that count?  
LOL

**Destiformie20:** you could try it

**Dobelinlo17:** if only.....

**Destiformie20:** this will all become more real when we actually meet.  
Otherwise, this is online fantasy.

**Destiformie20:** yet, you are not a fantasy - but you aaaaare fantastic

**Dobelinlo17:** and you are adorable.

**Destiformie20:** I adore you

Dobelinlo17: and I adore you

Destiformie20: ok, I'll tell my kids i can't pick them up and meet you in 2  
1/2 hours. lol

Dobelinlo17: I will dream about you anyway

Destiformie20: and I you. Baby, I'm going to get a shower now ok

Dobelinlo17: sure, no problem. I am leaving soon. Have fun with your children  
tonight.

Destiformie20: I will, thanks. And I will be in touch in one way or another  
throughout the weekend - including tonight.

Dobelinlo17: I really appreciate that because you have your children with  
you. I will look forward to and appreciate whatever time you have for me

Destiformie20: I can't stay away from you for too long M

Destiformie20: Everytime i think of you, my stomach jumps

Dobelinlo17: likewise. My heart is going to pound right out of my chest soon !!

Dobelinlo17: how cute

Destiformie20: seeya sweetie

Dobelinlo17: bye honey

Destiformie20: sweet talk ya later

Destiformie20: and I really liked how you said that

Dobelinlo17: looking forward to it

Destiformie20: ok, i'm leaving now

Dobelinlo17: get going, bye

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# ***THE COMPATIBILITY TEST***

Friday, July 18, 2008, cont.

*As told by Gianni*

I really loved how Sophie and I seemed to share so many common interests. We had been communicating for 2 weeks, ...constantly, through daily emails and chat lines. We felt so comfortable with each other. It was a deeper comfort level than I had ever experienced with anyone - before or after my first marriage.

I thought it would be interesting and fun to see how Sophie and I would compare in likes and dislikes with different activities. Probably most people like to enjoy life through a variety of outdoor and indoor pasttimes. When it comes to building intimate relationships, I believe it is important both parties have a high degree of similar interests. It is just one more aspect of life that helps strengthen the bond between two people. I agree that what we like to do in our spare time for fun won't necessarily determine the longevity of a passionate relationship, but having shared interests in the extras in life definitely gives couples an extra edge.

So I created a "Compatibility Test" for Sophie and me. I wanted to see just how close we would agree on different pastimes. Honestly, I was pretty confident we would enjoy many of the same things, partially because of the communications we had already shared. I just thought it would be another cool way to gain more assurance in the future of our budding friendship.

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*Hi M&M,*

*I want to make you think. I am sending you a Questionnaire about "Activities" Likes and Dislikes. I'll do my own copy. Then we'll send each other the results and see how we compare. Sound fun?*

*I miss you baby.*

*Snickers*

## **TFOM ENTERTAINMENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

**RULES:** For each of the activities listed, write the number of the following responses in front of the activity for how you feel about doing that with a fellow mushmellon:

1. would definitely do it and enjoy it alot
2. would definitely do it and enjoy it
3. would definitely do it and maybe enjoy it
4. would definitely do it just for the sake of fellow mushmellon
5. would definitely not do it under any circumstances

Movie Theatre, Drive-in, DVD's at home, Swimming, Bowling, Tennis, Mini-Golf, Hiking, Walking, Biking, Zoos, Dancing, Karaoke, Symphony, Live Theatre, Opera, Ballet, Live Concert, Water Park, Amusement Park, State Fair, Safari Land, Renaissance Fair, Billiards, Go-carts, Museum, Roller Skating, Ice Skating, Snow Tubes, Aquarium, Water Skiing, Snow Skiing, Scuba Diving, Sky Diving, Snowmobiles, Paintball, Hunting, Fishing, Camping, Board Games, Flea Markets, Antique Shops, Malls, Library, International Traveling, United States Traveling, Day Trips, Driving Anywhere, Getting Lost On A Drive, Cooking, Order Delivery Food, Eat Out, Fast Food, Casual Dining, Fine Dining, Buffet, Seminar By A Known Christian Speaker, Seminars In General

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*Thanks for the fun Snicks!*

*I needed the cheering up, and you came through! I had a minor melt down earlier. Thanks for cheering me up. You're the best I have attached my answers. I am anxious to see how we compare. It really made me think!!*

*Talk to you soon*

*M&M*

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*Hi Sweety,*

*Sorry to hear you had a little meltdown earlier. I am glad that I could cheer you up a little.*

*Here's my answers to the questionnaire. I haven't looked at yours yet.*

*But I'll bet we're close.*

*Snickers*

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*As told by Gianni*

What we both found out didn't surprise us a bit. Out of 58 listed activities, we agreed either completely or very closely on 48 of them - over 80%. Either we both would enjoy doing something or both wouldn't get the biggest thrill out of it, so to speak. Anything left over, we could easily "compromise" on, which was one of our standards for "The Fellowship of Mushmellons". The results of this little test gave us both more confidence in the direction of our relationship as we continued to get to know each other.

*As told by Sophie*

This was a strange time for me because the more I go to know Gianni, the more I realized how much we had in common. Although having things in common is typically a good sign in a relationship, it actually scared me because it made me feel more and more that our relationship was "too good to be true" and would not be able to stand the test of time. Since we had not yet met, I was still having the odd feeling that he was not "real" or it was some kind of scam, although I did not want to believe it, there were always those fears in the back of my mind.



*Destiformie20: Well, sweetie, i have a smile on my face too*

*Destiformie20: It's nice to see your smiling face too*

*Destiformie20: did you get my most recent email?*

*Dobelinlo17: I did, thanks. I was just going to e-mail you back. You seem to read my mind*

*Destiformie20: I was rambling on again*

*Dobelinlo17: No you were not*

*Destiformie20: why do i just love chatting and exchanging emails with you?*

*Destiformie20: why is my stomach jumping?*

*Dobelinlo17: I don't know.*

*Dobelinlo17: well, maybe I do*

*Destiformie20: yes, maybe you do*

*Dobelinlo17: you're cute*

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*Destiformie20: what are the odds of us making it to a second date?*

*Dobelinlo17: I think they are pretty good, what do you think?*

*Destiformie20: I'd say that we have about an 81% chance*

*Dobelinlo17: that's cute.*

*Destiformie20: well, the countdown begins*

*Dobelinlo17: I am soooo excited, you can't imagine*

*Destiformie20: so am I. I really want to meet you in person so that we can make all this real. I want to be able to see your face in my mind after that when i am back home*

*Dobelinlo17: right, that is exactly what I was thinking. Sometimes it does not seem real. I want to be able to see your face in my mind too. You really do read my thoughts*

*Destiformie20: pictures don't do a person justice. I need to see you in the flesh*

*Dobelinlo17: That is so true. I really just want to know what you look like, feel like.... you know*

*Destiformie20: my kids are watching and getting a kick out of this*

*Dobelinlo17: Tell them i said hi*

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**Sunday, July 20, 2008, continued after midnight after Gianni's daughter Mercedes chatted with Sophie for a while.**

*Destiformie20: wow, I actually got the comptuer back*

*Dobelinlo17: nice to have you back. Your daughter is sweet*

*Destiformie20: well, you're sweet for having such a nice conversation with her.*

*Dobelinlo17: my pleasure*

*Destiformie20: i hope she didn't tell too many lies about me lol*

*Dobelinlo17: Not at all. I hope I didn't over step with suggesting you take her to the beach*

*Destiformie20: no, not at all. I'm the one that turned the offer back onto you*

*Dobelinlo17: not a problem. It is really fun there*

*Destiformie20: you must know her better than me now*

*Dobelinlo17: i doubt it. she really is very nice to talk to.*

*Dobelinlo17: just like her dad*

*Destiformie20: ahhhhhh, you're sweet*

*Dobelinlo17: its true*

*Destiformie20: my stomach is jumping again*

*Dobelinlo17: me too*

*Destiformie20: when we meet on Sun. we might not make it into the park.*

*Our arms could get stuck around each other*

*Dobelinlo17: that would be fine with me*

*Dobelinlo17: i can't imagine i will want to let go*

*Destiformie20: me either. We've already done all the talking. I could probably just be with you and hold you in my arms, look into your eyes, kiss you, ... I'm putting myself on the spot*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm speechless, again LOL I just can't wait. We probably won't have anything to say which is ok*

*Destiformie20: if we don't, yes - that will be fine*

*Destiformie20: afterall, when 2 quiet people get together, what else are they going to say besides nothing*

*Destiformie20: sometimes actions speak louder than words though*

*Dobelinlo17: That's fine with me. I just hope you are real LOL*

*Dobelinlo17: Right now, you are just in my computer*

*Destiformie20: I will be as real as you are*

*Dobelinlo17: good, cause im real*

*Destiformie20: i know you are, and i know i am, so that means that we are too*

*Dobelinlo17: Oh Gianni.....*

*Dobelinlo17: feels good.*

*Destiformie20: feels scary but good, but it will definitely feel good when we meet*

*Dobelinlo17: the unknown is always scary*

*Destiformie20: exactly, but i dooo know you. That's why I'm crazy about you. But I guess that "seeing is believing"*

*Dobelinlo17: It's going to be a lonnnggg week LOL*

*Destiformie20: it will be. I could ask for your phone number, but I'd rather go cold turkey on Sunday*

*Dobelinlo17: you could certainly have it. It's up to you!*

*Destiformie20: that's me thinking*

*Destiformie20: the game show music is now sounding*

*Dobelinlo17: LOL*

*Dobelinlo17: it sure would be fun*

*Dobelinlo17: to talk*

*Dobelinlo17: I know, I'm not helping*

*Destiformie20: we could try it right now just to know what we sound like*

*Dobelinlo17: eeeee... that's me being excited, sure?*

*Dobelinlo17: [area code]*

*Destiformie20: my whole body is starting to tingle*

*Dobelinlo17: [first 3 numbers]*

*Dobelinlo17: ready for the rest?*

*Dobelinlo17: [last 4 numbers]*

*Dobelinlo17: [Sophie types out the full cell phone number once again]*

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*As told by Gianni*

I think I had been trying to delay talking to her on the phone because of my shyness. I thought it would be more comfortable just meeting each other first. Then after we met, we wouldn't feel so awkward about speaking on the phone. But since Sophie seemed to be expressing a desire to talk on the phone now, I decided to take a chance at embarrassing myself and give her a call.

I hesitantly began to dial Sophie's phone number. I certainly don't have phone recordings of our first live conversation (or any phone conversations), but I clearly remember, that as soon as she opened her mouth, I loved her voice. I told her right away that she had a sweet voice. Then we had a really nice, friendly, conversation for at least an hour or so. I'm sure there was probably a little shakiness in my own voice at first, and I probably stumbled over my words, but Sophie made me feel accepted. Overall, I felt pretty good about our first telephone conversation.

After we finished talking, we met back on the chat line for a little while longer before saying our "good byes".

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*Destiformie20: well sweet voice, i'll let ya go. it's getting late. although i could talk with you all night. Get some sleep. I'm getting the kids up for church about 9:30*

*Dobelinlo17: I don't want to go but I have to get some sleep. Our church starts at 9:30. I will be dreaming about you*

*Dobelinlo17: thanks for calling, thanks for being real*

*Destiformie20: and i you. thank YOU for making our relationship even more real than it has been so far.*

*Dobelinlo17: your welcome even though I don't feel like I did anything LOL*

*Destiformie20: and i will be thinking about you at all times that i am awake*

*Dobelinlo17: same here*

*Destiformie20: of course i don't know where this is going, but i have to say this. I couldnt have found someone I am better matched with [if we met] on E-harmony.com*

*Dobelinlo17: then it was meant to be*

*Destiformie20: In 2 weeks, I've learned all i need to know about you and us to realize that it could take me another 5 years to find someone like you.*

*Dobelinlo17: Once again, you are too kind*

*Destiformie20: ok darling, you are the sweetest voice I've heard in all my life - the sound of an orchestra playing soft music on the beach as the sun sets*

*Dobelinlo17: how romantic, my knees are mush*

*Destiformie20: well, you've touched my heart*

*Dobelinlo17: and you mine*

*Destiformie20: we're not doing well saying good bye*

*Dobelinlo17: i noticed. I didn't want to bring it up LOL*

*Destiformie20: I'm glad you didn't. That would have spoiled the sunset comment*

*Dobelinlo17: that was one of my favorites*

*Destiformie20: That would be great to do that for you some day*

*Dobelinlo17: i love beaches and sunsets and sunrises, etc*

*Destiformie20: I would love to share either a sunset or a sunrise with you by my side, my arm around you, kissing you just as the sun lowers below the ocean*

*Dobelinlo17: i could meet you there now LOL*

*Dobelinlo17: so romatnic*

*Destiformie20: well, sunrise is in about 2 1/2 hours. I could speed*

*Dobelinlo17: if only.... someday*

*Dobelinlo17: It was really great talking to you.*

*Destiformie20: It went very well. It only enhanced what we've already developed together.*

*Dobelinlo17: Absolutely. I think Sunday is going to be very special*

*Destiformie20: I agree. I don't believe there is anything that could hinder what is to come*

*...*

*Destiformie20: ok Sophie, I guess we gotta get going. I already stayed up yesterday. I better get some sleep, babe*

*Dobelinlo17: i will get going for real this time*

*Destiformie20: don't promise anything, lol*

*Dobelinlo17: I know right*

*Dobelinlo17: I will try hard to go*

*...*

**Destiformie20:** *but i meant you have made it easy for me just by sharing my life the last 2 weeks.*

**Destiformie20:** *Your sweetness, caring, easy going nature, relaxed, spontaneous, exciting, adorable personality has swept me off my feet and tapped into my soul's passions. But right now, it's just a small vapor escaping*

**Destiformie20:** *If you don't say goodnight, that vapor could turn into an explosion*

**Dobelinlo17:** *I was just reading and re-reading your extremely kind words. I really better say good night. so....*

**Dobelinlo17:** *good night Snicks.*

**Destiformie20:** *soo, good night M and thanks for a wonderful evening*

**Dobelinlo17:** *thank you. This was the best evening I have had in a very, very, very long time*

**Dobelinlo17:** *It was fun staying up past my bed time with you*

**Dobelinlo17:** *good night, sweet dreams*

**Destiformie20:** *it was just as much fun for me. and i will have very sweet dreams because of you*

**Dobelinlo17:** *good night. I am leaving for real this time.*

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**"Good Morning", Sunday, July 20, 2008**

*Good Morning Snicks!!*

*Hope you slept well. Thanks for being real! It was super fantastic talking to you. I am more excited than ever to meet you.*

*I forgot to give you my other phone number last night, just in case.*

*My home #\_\_\_\_\_ I rarely get a chance to answer this one because Andrew and Elizabeth beat me to it.*

*Hope you have a great day, whatever you do.*

*Talk to you soon*

*M*

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**"Re: Good Morning"**

*Hi Sweet Voice,*

*I agree. It was great talking to you. It really made a difference in easing our inhibitions about meeting next Sunday. I knew I was going to love your voice. And talking to you in person helped - as you said - make things more real, make you more real.*

*Thanks for your number. I appreciate that you are trusting me enough to give me your numbers. You could have been afraid to do that*

*because we don't know each other very well yet (or do we?), and I could become a stalker or something and then you'd never get rid of me (although I hope you can't rid of me by both our choices).*

*But I think that is why we were both on a Christian dating site - to find something true with someone, not just have a few good chats and move on to the next one. To be honest, I haven't even tried to get to know anyone else on that site since our first 2 hour chat. I don't like to invest my emotions in more than one person at a time. It becomes confusing and possibly hurtful to someone... We'll just let things unravel naturally and spontaneously next Sunday.*

*Talk to you soon honey,*

*Snickers*

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**As told by Gianni**

*I sent Sophie an e-card that afternoon. My feelings for her were growing stronger each day, and I was bubbling over with thoughts and words in my heart that I couldn't keep inside. I don't have a copy of it because they can only be viewed for 30 days. But the email she sent me in response to the e-card gives an idea of how she felt about my open expressiveness.*

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**"Breathless"**

*Oh Snicks, oh my, I have been sitting here trying to think of how I can tell you how much that card you sent means to me. I can't even think in complete sentences right now but I have to say something. Thank you to start but that seems so lame.*

*I wish you were here. I would give you the biggest hug and never let go.*

*When I first opened it I had the biggest smile ever and then your words touched me so much that of course, I cried. It was a "these are the nicest things anyone has ever said to me" kind of cry. I can't stop looking at the card. I'm very serious, you took my breath away.*

*Gianni, you are a very special person. Thank you for being so wonderful.*

*gotta go, I have a card to look at LOL*

*Sophie*

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**"Re: Breathless"**

*M, I'm just happy that I gave you a reason to smile, and let you know the kind of impact you have made on me in just a couple of weeks. I guess this is why in Romance Movies, people always seem to fall in love in just days. It always seems so unrealistic despite the mushiness, and yet, I haven't even met you in person yet, and like you said, you turn my stomach to mush. I also would love to hug you and never let you go.*

*I don't want to compete with you for who can make the other smile the most. I just yearn for every email that you send, just to hear from you - to know that I haven't lost you.*

*Snickers*

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**"Re: Breathless"**

*I'm still trying to recover Snicks!! At least we know we are both on the "same page" with everything.*

*In a short time, you have added another dimension to my life that I never thought could exist. Thanks for being you.*

*Can I miss you if I haven't met you yet? LOL, well I do..*

*M*

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**"Of Course You Can"**

*Of course you can miss me if you haven't met me. I know because I miss you terribly - as though we were always together but forced apart by circumstances of life. Now we both long for the day we will once again be together - in each other's arms, looking into each other's eyes, meeting our lips together (if you don't mind).*

*Gianni*

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**"Re: Of Course I don't mind"**

*Of course I don't mind. I dream about our first kiss...*

*It's official then, I miss you*

*This is crazy, yet wonderful.*

*M*

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**"I know it's crazy"**

*Baby, I don't understand the emotions and passion that follows the path of a wonderful unexpected connection like we've made with each other. But if I didn't express them as I went along, I'd really go nuts. It may be*

*crazy to feel like we do when we haven't even met in person, but our spirits have met, our souls have met, our minds have met, our hearts have met - we have only to meet in body to complete the process of this grand experience. Only then will we really understand the vastness of what is to come.*

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*Snicks*

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**"Nuts in New Jersey"**

*I feel like I am going nuts with desire.*

*So, let's change the subject so I don't go absolutely crazy. What did you do today? I went to church, took a nap and then have been thinking about you for the rest of the time and in church. OK, so changing the subject didn't work too well. LOL*

*Miss ya Snicks*

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**"Re: Nuts in New Jersey"**

*ok, to change the subject - we went to church (thought about you there), came home and ate spaghetti and meatballs with my parents (thought of you at the table), Mercedes fell asleep for a few hours. Cody and I*

*watched the movie "Batman", then Mercedes woke up and Cody fell asleep.*

*Mercedes and I watched the first Willy Wonka, now I'm making french fries*

*for us, and we're watching the new Willy Wonka with Johnny Depp.*

*Of course throughout the day, I have looked forward to every possible email from you and enjoyed responding, but we're going on to another subject right now (lol).*

*I miss you too sweet M&M,*

*Snicks*

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**Monday morning, July 21, 2008**

*Thanks for calling me. I got you lovely message. I saved it so I could listen to it over and over today just so I can hear your voice.*

*Hope you had a good night. I am off to the Y. Talk to you later.*

*M*

**As told by Gianni**

One of the cute things I loved about my first phone conversations with Sophie was how she always said, "Me Too" in response to things I would share with her. Although I'm not considered a forward or outgoing person by people who know me, I tended to initiate our phone topics. Then I would

laugh and point out to her how I loved that little two-worded phrase of hers.

That's what she will be referring to in her next email.

**"Oh No"**

*Oh No!! Before you called I was wondering how I was going to concentrate today. Now, after hearing your voice and your laugh, I don't think I can even think straight.*

*Snicks, you can call me anytime. I may not say much but I love just knowing you are actually on the other end of the phone. Don't think for one second that I would mind you calling. Just the opposite.*

*You have a wonderful sense of humor.*

*I will leave you with one final thought.. me too LOL. I will try not to say that!! LOL*

*Talk to you soon M*

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### **PASSION BUILDS**

Monday, July 21, 2008, cont., Gianni responds to Sophie's last email

*Ok, I'm NOT sorry for making you lose your concentration, lol. You are just so adorable I could eat you up. And you crack me up too. And Please! ...say "me too" as much as you want.*

*This is getting better every day. What's going to happen on Sunday? I'm imagining the scene in "The Lake House" when Sandra Bullock runs into the arms of (man, what's his name again?) when they finally meet after 2 years. I could never wait that long for you. I'm already going nuts waiting 'til Sunday.*

*Snicks*

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"Re: Oh No"

*Thanks for not apologizing (I think, LOL)! Just to let you know, I crack myself up too, maybe too much sometimes LOL (just a warning).*

*The Lake House was an incredible movie! I absolutely loved that scene. I actually have pictured myself running toward you. In one scenario I make it with no problem, in the other I trip and fall and embarrass myself LOL. Maybe I'll just walk, don't want to take any chances of ending up face down on the pavement. LOL*

*I think what is going to happen this Sunday is that I am going to want you to hold me forever and never let go. Hope you don't mind.*

*M (I wouldn't mind doing that forever either)*

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### **"Sophie's Alphabet"**

*Honey, that last email was both great fun and also filled with great passion. I was rolling and then excited. I keep wondering whether I really want to go to Dorney Park or not.*

*I forgot to tell you that I bought a bag of M&M's last night at work and actually kissed the bag.*

*I need to give a little meaning to how I feel about you:*

#### **SOPHIE'S ALPHABET DESCRIPTION**

Adorable, Beautiful, Cute, Darling, Easy Going, Fabulous, Gentle, Humorous, Intelligent, Joyful, Kind, Luscious, M&M, Nice, out Of This World, Passionate, Quick-witted, Rich, Soul, Sensuous, Tons Of Fun, Understanding, Vivacious, Whispers To My Soul, eXperiential, Youthful, Zaps My Heart

*Gianni*

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**"Mush"**

*Once again, you have turned my insides to mush. Thanks for all those kind thoughts. I was so out of sorts I almost drank my oatmeal instead of my coffee LOL. I was going to tell you to stop, but I changed my mind LOL. Seriously, I am not sure what is happening here but I hope it doesn't end.*

*I don't care where we meet, just so long as we meet, soon!! I know, Sunday. Just not sure how I am going to make it that long.*

*By the way, I don't feel like eating my oatmeal now because I have butterflies.*

*I hope no one saw you kiss that bag of M&M's, that would be hard to explain LOL. That sounds like something I would do. I feel like kissing my computer every time I see it. I don't think I could ever explain that to Andrew and Elizabeth. LOL*

*You better get some sleep today, otherwise I will worry about you*

*Oh Gianni.... big sigh*

*Talk to you later*

*Sophie*

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**"Random Thought"**

*Hi Snicks! I hope you are getting some rest.*

*I am counting today as over since it is past noon (that is my own rule).*

*So, we only have 5 more days until we meet.*

*That was my random thought. Not so random if you think about it because all I have been doing is thinking about you.*

*That's it for now. I will keep you posted on my random and not so random thoughts LOL.*

*Sophie Miss ya*

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**"Re: Random Thoughts"**

*Hello embodiment of sweetness,*

*I just read both your emails.*

*Yeaaaaa! Only 5 more days. I don't know what's going on here either, but I'm just sort of going with it. I love your "randomness". But try not to eat your coffee.*

*I'm going to try to get a few more winks adorling (I made that up. HmMMM, I think I might patent that for you and perhaps think of a few more.)*

*Do you do this to all the guys? Man, you're unbelievable! Snicks*

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**"Re: Random Thoughts"**

*Since I don't have the awesome command of the English language that you do, and I can't say such wonderful things to you like you say to me.. I will use cute stationery LOL*

*One one hand I am sorry that you woke up. On the other more selfish hand, I was sure happy to see an e-mail from you (not that I am checking every ten minutes or anything)*

*Adorling - you are soooo cute.*

*FYI, you're my only guy (rhymes). And no, I have never, ever done anything like this with anyone else. You are **very, very** special to me. And don't forget that!! ...*

M

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**"All I can say is WOW"**

*Hi Cutiful,*

*You are just such the grand finale of all romance stories, although we are stillllllllll on the ground show ourselves.*

*I am soooo sorrrrrry (yes I am) that you haven't heard from me since the last email. I don't like to leave you hanging, M. I fell back asleep and just woke up. I must have been dreaming about you and didn't want to snap back to reality - no wait, my reality is much better than any dream I've ever had.*

*Mercedes called a couple min. ago and needs a ride for her friend. So I must jetison out of here on a fatherly duty, but I will return adoring.*

*Snicks*

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**A little later on a chat line...**

**Destiformie20:** *helllooooooo baby*

**Dobelinlo17:** *can you possibly know how much i missed you? Hi*

**Destiformie20:** *I have an idea, because I feel the same way about you. I feel like I abandoned you though*

**Dobelinlo17:** *but you didn't and that's all that counts*

*Destiformie20: ok, from now on, I'm only going to sleep at work. That way, I can send you emails every 10 min.*

*Dobelinlo17: i would love to say ok but that wouldn't really work for you*

*Destiformie20: admittedly, you're right.*

*Dobelinlo17: I would hate it if you got fired sleeping on the job*

*Dobelinlo17: I am much happier, especially since I met you. I don't deserve you*

*Destiformie20: I don't know whether to disagree with you or not. I'm not much to deserve, but you deserve the greatest happiness and joy in abundance. I only hope I have the opportunity to give you some of that in the future.*

*Dobelinlo17: you have already given me all that. You are absolutely wonderful*

*Destiformie20: so what is it, 1 more day?*

*Dobelinlo17: I wish*

*Destiformie20: Don't think when I call you TEOS, i am talking a foreign language. It's short for "the embodiment of sweetness".*

*Dobelinlo17: you are too much!!*

*Dobelinlo17: but I like it*

*Destiformie20: I can't wait to meet my lips to any part of your body. I will get an immediate sugar rush like i've never experienced in my life.*

*Dobelinlo17: stop, no don't... I miss you*

*Destiformie20: a wonderful flavor i will not be able to define for it's purity*

*Destiformie20: do i get a little too corny?*

*Dobelinlo17: no, i love it.*

*Destiformie20: good, i love that you love it*

*Destiformie20: because it's hard not to say*

*Dobelinlo17: feel free. Just remember we are going to meet in a parking lot*

*Destiformie20: so how do you feel about public displays of affection?*

*Dobelinlo17: i don't have a problem with it, do you? I think it is romantic*

*Destiformie20: i don't have a problem with it all. I don't think it will be possible not to with you*

*Dobelinlo17: that's good because I am counting on lots of affection. You seem to be an affectionate kind of guy*

*Destiformie20: .... It's about who we are with and how they affect our emotions.*

*Dobelinlo17: well, you sure affect mine. I feel like I am going crazy inside*

*Destiformie20: me too sweetheart. I have gone nutso over you. And now i have to go to work*

*Dobelinlo17: Ok, well it has been a pleasure, as always. Hope you have a good night at work. I will be dreaming about you*

*Destiformie20: and i will be thinking of you non-stop at work adoring*

*Dobelinlo17: i miss you i miss you i miss you i miss you did i say that?*

*Destiformie20: i miss you too i miss you too i miss you too i miss you too, yes you said that*

*Dobelinlo17: Oh Snicks, you know you are going to have to say goodbye because I can't and I don't want you to be late for work*

*Destiformie20: good bye darling, good night, sleep well my sweet.*

*Dobelinlo17: bye good night*

*Destiformie20: you're adorable. i wish i could wrap my arms around you right now. but soooooooooooooon*

*Dobelinlo17: not soon enough*

*.....*

*Dobelinlo17: i know, good night again*

*Destiformie20: good night again*

*Destiformie20: a little tongue action around your neck and ear*

*Dobelinlo17: oh*

*Destiformie20: ok, i gotta go.*

*Dobelinlo17: i understand*

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### ***IDEK YOU?***

*As told by Sophie*

At this point in my relationship with Gianni, I honestly did not know what was happening to me. I would go into work and tell my friend "I think I am in love". On the one hand I never felt this strongly about anyone in my life but on the other hand, how could I be in love when love does not exist?

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**Tuesday, July 22, 2008,**

**"Good Morning Sugar Rush"**

*Hi Babe,*

*Thanks for thinking of me in the early morning hours. I'm sure we were both thinking of the other at the exact same time ...continuously!*

*Feel free to ask me anything Cutiful, anytime. Or don't ask me anything at all. Just be there. Because that is all you will ever need to do.*

*I finally sent you some pictures - a little delayed. They are the same ones as were on the site, because I recently deleted all my older pictures so I could start fresh. I guess there are some others around where I'm with Cody and Mercedes - so wait, let me check. ...ok, I added one of me and the kids from Maine last summer. We rented a cottage off the beach for vacation.*

*I yearn for every form of communication from you Adorling.*

*Hellooooo, How are you today?*

*Affectionately, Snicks*

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**"Re: Good Morning Sugar Rush"**

*Thanks for the pictures Snicks, now I can stare at your face as well as your words!! You are adorable in many ways. I have one more picture I can send to you of me but I am not sure I am going to because I think I am making a funny face. I will think about it.*

*I'm doing good today as it is one day closer to meeting you and hugging you and...*

*...*

*I hope you are able to get some sleep.*

*Miss you, miss you, miss you*

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**"I'll Try"**

*I don't know if I can, but I'll try to get some sleep. The only problem is, I can't breathe most of time. Each of your emails are like mouth-to-mouth resuscitation that revives me over and over and over again. If I only deeply like you right now, I can't imagine what it's going to feel like if I fall in love with you.*

*Snicks*

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**"Re: I'll Try"**

*I can't imagine either because I have not felt like this since, well, ever..*

*This is crazy, I am always trying to catch my breath.*

*My friend and I are going to take a walk to dunkin donuts for our afternoon coffee. Try to get some sleep. Hopefully we can talk more later. I will miss you so much until then.*

*Sweet dreams Snicks.....M deeply likes (you need to invent a word for that) you also*

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**"I delk you"**

*I don't think I'll be able to sleep, so I'm taking a shower and going for a drive. I hope you enjoy(ed) your coffee break.*

*I DELK (formerly "deeply like") you very much M&M*

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**"Re: I delk you"**

*I knew you would think of something!! Enjoy your drive. We are going for our coffee now.*

*I delk you too.*

*M*

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**As told by Gianni**

A little later that afternoon, I wanted to do something different for Sophie. Now that we had a new word to define our relationship, I printed on a large piece of paper, "I DELK YOU M". I set my camera on a counter and timed a picture of me holding the sign. Then I downloaded it onto my computer and sent it to Sophie in an email.

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**"another picture"**

Hi M,

*I took this one today. I hope you like it.*

*I delk you M&M.*

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**"Re: another picture"**

*Like it?? I LOVE it! I didn't think I could delk you any more than I do, but I do! Does that even make sense?? Snicks, you just made my day, my week, my everything...*

*I can't get a bigger smile on my face if I wanted to.*

*You are amazing, thank you so much. You are so adorable, love the picture.*

*Delk ya M*

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**"Guess Who"**

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*I have been staring at your picture. I can't tell you how much it means to me. You are absolutely incredible, amazing, wonderful, sweet... and more.*

*Talk to you soon!! Miss ya more than ever*

*M*

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**"Re: Guess Who"**

*M, I'm really happy that I sent you that picture because ...I woke up to TWO absolutely delightful emails. Thankyou!!! You are so darn sweet, I can't stand it.*

*i'm nuts for you M&M. I can't help but expect that Sunday is going to be a WONDERFULLY DELIGHTFULLY PLEASURE FILLED DAY!*

*Snicks*

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**Later that evening on the chat line again...**

*Dobelinlo17: Hi?*

*Destiformie20: hellooooooooooooooooooooo*

*Dobelinlo17: hi Snicks, how are you? Miss ya*

*Destiformie20: I miss you too M. I'm doing wonderful because of you*

*Dobelinlo17: that picture you sent was absolutely amazing and wonderful and everything else*

*Destiformie20: you are sugar sweeeet. It was my pleasure*

*Dobelinlo17: I think you are too*

*Dobelinlo17: i kept staring at you*

*Destiformie20: It just sort of came to me*

*Destiformie20: I had to do it*

*Dobelinlo17: you didn't have to it was very thoughtful.*

*Destiformie20: yess, I had to*

*Dobelinlo17: I can't wait until I can look into your beautiful eyes in person.*

*No you didn't have to*

*Destiformie20: yessss, I had to. And I can't wait either to look into your beautiful green eyes. ...*

*. Dobelinlo17: I don't know if seeing you on Sunday is going to make Monday easier or even more difficult because I will miss you even more*

*Destiformie20: I have a feeling that Monday is going to be a tough day.*

*Dobelinlo17: me too*

*Destiformie20: It's a mystery how it has only gotten better every day and with every email and with every chat and with every phone call.*

*Dobelinlo17: I mean it. You are nicer to me and more thoughtful than anyone, ever. You are one of a kind, special. should I go on?*

*Dobelinlo17: what am i going to do with you? LOL*

*Destiformie20: what am i going to do without you?? (hopefully I don't have to)*

*Destiformie20: we have to promise never to go a day without at least exchanging emails if nothing else*

*Dobelinlo17: AGREED!!!*

*Destiformie20: of course*

*Dobelinlo17: you leave me speechless*

*Destiformie20: i don't need your words, only your heart, your soul, your spirit, your lips, your eyes, ...*

*Dobelinlo17: you got it*

*Destiformie20: thank you baby. On Sunday, if those are all I have, that will be more than enough*

*Destiformie20: if you are speechless, and I am speechless, it will still be the most wonderful day I've ever had.*

*Dobelinlo17: me too (here I go again with all the words)*

*Dobelinlo17: you really do take my breath away*

*Dobelinlo17: and my words*

*Destiformie20: and you give me my breath*

*Dobelinlo17: there you go again*

*Destiformie20: no, there youuu go*

*Destiformie20: ok, there weeeeeeeee go - agreed?*

*Dobelinlo17: ok, agreed.*

*Destiformie20: ok, good. You know, I don't have to say anything that makes sense with you - just as long as I'm with you in some way*

*Dobelinlo17: you always make sense to me.*

*Destiformie20: you make perfect sense to me - more sense than anyone has ever made to me*

*Dobelinlo17: not lately, i can't think straight.*

*Destiformie20: baby, if you are not thinking straight, I love how you are when you are nonsensical too*

*Destiformie20: i can't eat anymore of this salad*

*Dobelinlo17: hold on*

*Destiformie20: ok*

*Destiformie20: i just ate, but my stomach keeps jumping*

*Dobelinlo17: mine too. I have a mushy feeling inside me all the time.*

*Destiformie20: this delking stuff is pretty intense*

*Dobelinlo17: right!! I'm glad you put a word to it because I never felt like this before and I am telling the truth*

*Destiformie20: i haven't either. My stomach is jumping even now, and I have never had such a symbiotic connection with anyone like this (i'm not totally sure what i just said)*

*Dobelinlo17: that's ok, I understood it!!*

*Destiformie20: well, "understanding" is one of your character traits*

*Dobelinlo17: thanks*

*Dobelinlo17: i can't wait to do that in person*

*Destiformie20: aren't we just going to shake hands??*

*Dobelinlo17: NOOOOOO!!!!*

*Destiformie20: I'm glad you said that*

*Dobelinlo17: i'll shake your hand after all the other stuff. Like the big hug you promised me*

*Destiformie20: i'm not sure i'll even think to shake your hand. I might lift your hand to my lips and kiss it ...before my lips move up the rest of your arm*

*Dobelinlo17: keep going... I'm already a mess, you can't mush my insides up anymore anyway*

*Destiformie20: my lips will kiss their way to your shoulder and to your neck, stop there and perhaps put a little pressure before my tongue slides up your cheek bone, across your face and my lips meet yours.*

*Dobelinlo17: I was wrong. You just mushed me up more*

*Destiformie20: oooops, sorry*

*Dobelinlo17: don't be*

*Dobelinlo17: don't ever be sorry about that*

*Destiformie20: i'm still not sure this is really happening*

*Dobelinlo17: I know. i really want it to be real.*

*Destiformie20: it's as real as it can be without actually meeting yet*

*Destiformie20: then i don't know if i'll be able to stand it anymore*

*Dobelinlo17: i really don't know what to say.*

*Destiformie20: then don't say anything. Just huggg me tight*

*Dobelinlo17: ok*

*Destiformie20: thank you*

*Dobelinlo17: no, thank YOU*

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*Dobelinlo17: i wish you could see the smile on my face.*

*Destiformie20: i see it in my mind*

*Dobelinlo17: i was imagining us sitting on the couch together and you telling me all this stuff with your arms wrapped around me. Too corny?*

*Destiformie20: i love it. us cornballs have to stick together. ...like glue hopefully*

*Dobelinlo17: crazy glue LOL*

*Destiformie20: well crazy is a good word for it. I'm nuts over you*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm nuts over you too but I bet you knew that*

*Destiformie20: you gave me a couple of hints. But what we are together is why we are what we are. If it was one-sided, we wouldn't have lasted this long. We feed off of each other*

*Dobelinlo17: i used to think that opposites attract, but now I am not so sure*

*Destiformie20: I don't understand how, but we just naturally fall in line with everything we say*

*Destiformie20: I'm telling you, it is because we seem to have so much in common that this is so powerful and unexplainable*

*Destiformie20: and scary*

*Dobelinlo17: yes, it is. i am very scared at times, you must know*

*Destiformie20: scared and anticipating at the same time - paradoxical*

*Dobelinlo17: that's definitely it..I feel like I am on a very fast moving train that I can't control*

*Destiformie20: i'm just glad that i'm not the only one feeling this way. We are so much in union with this whole adventure. We can't seem to control it. We are being driven by unknown forces*

*Destiformie20: forces of the heart and soul that no man knows about*

*Destiformie20: secret powers of passion that arise without notice and take hold of the reigns within the heart*

*Dobelinlo17: speechless again.*

*Destiformie20: be speechless on Sunday so I can simply press my lips to yours, and inhale your words directly to my heart*

*Dobelinlo17: Oh Snicks, that's a deal*

*Destiformie20: good, i'll be scared to death - but i will go in like a warrior*

*Dobelinlo17: don't be scared*

*Destiformie20: well, ok*

*Dobelinlo17: good, you can leave scared up to me LOL*

*Destiformie20: Since we've already said so much, I will be happy to agree to not say a word to you when we first meet. We should just plan on being speechless, ...look into each other's eyes and just let our bodies express*

*greetings for ...an undetermined amount of time - before we say anything at all.*

*Dobelinlo17: that's a perfect plan. I don't think I could manage words at that point anyway*

*Destiformie20: me either.*

*Dobelinlo17: then it's a deal*

*Destiformie20: yes, deal. sealed with a kiss*

*Destiformie20: baby, my mind is fried. I'm going to let you go for now. But we will continue our continuous exchange of emails between tonight and tomorrow, etc.*

*Dobelinlo17: once again, me too. Have a good night at work. I will miss you as always I hate this part*

*Destiformie20: I miss you constantly.*

*Destiformie20: i'm pressing tight upon your lips, then softly on your upper lip, the side of your lip, your lower lip, your cheek, your neck*

*Dobelinlo17: you sure don't make saying goodbye easy*

*Destiformie20: moving my fingers up the sides of your legs, around your backside, up your back, to your shoulders, massaging them as I kiss your neck*

*Destiformie20: you know, it's that picture that really gets me going on your neck*

*Dobelinlo17: go for it*

*Destiformie20: actually, the new picture gives a good neck shot too. I just want to devour it*

*Dobelinlo17: ok*

*Destiformie20: you're too easy*

*Destiformie20: but i'm glad*

*Dobelinlo17: you're too adorable*

*Destiformie20: my lips press deeper into the skin of your neck, sucking, then tracing my tongue downward to the lower part of the v in your dress, kissing, and tracing my tongue back up the other side and pressing my lips into your neck once again.*

*Destiformie20: that's your good night kiss*

*Dobelinlo17: Wow!! not sure if I will recover from that one! My knees are mush I won't be able to stand up*

*Destiformie20: just lay back and imagine me laying next to you then*

*Dobelinlo17: you sure make this difficult*

*Dobelinlo17: to say good bye that is*

*Destiformie20: yes, ok, good bye then*

*Dobelinlo17: no*

*Destiformie20: but i have to kiss you again first. softly kissing you all around your lips with my palms upon your back, searching, exploring.*

*Dobelinlo17: speechless, just enjoying your kisses*

*Destiformie20: i'm glad, because i enjoy giving them. I just have to follow through when I meet you*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm counting on it*

*Destiformie20: i don't know if you'll be able to count the number of kisses that are shared*

*Dobelinlo17: that's fine with me.*

*Destiformie20: and if i don't make the first move quick enough when our eyes first meet face to face, feel free to take control*

*Dobelinlo17: i'll try but I might be too nervous*

*Destiformie20: we'll be nervous together*

*Dobelinlo17: ok that's a deal*

*Destiformie20: ok sweetheart, i'm going to let you go. Just don't go too far*

*Dobelinlo17: I won't, just in my bed dreaming and thinking about you*

*Destiformie20: and i'll be at work dreaming of that I'm dreaming of you*

*Dobelinlo17: thanks for everything, I am really going to miss you*

*Destiformie20: no thank you - for giving me such happiness in the last 2 1/2 weeks*

*Dobelinlo17: same here. good night*

*Destiformie20: Good night Adorling*

*Destiformie20: i know, i know*

*Dobelinlo17: you better leave because i can't*

*Destiformie20: You're really terrific Sophie. I'm just so happy that i met you*

*Dobelinlo17: so are you. I'm just as happy to have met you*

*Destiformie20: should i ask you to be my girlfriend now or wait until after we meet?*

*Dobelinlo17: now is good*

*Destiformie20: Sophie, will you be my girlfriend?*

*Dobelinlo17: hmmm... YES!!!*

*Destiformie20: YEAAAAAAAAA! I couldn't imagine dating anyone else anyway*

*Dobelinlo17: me neither, i wouldn't want to*

*Destiformie20: thank you. I am so happy to hear that. I haven't even been on the site for days*

*Dobelinlo17: thank YOU*

*Destiformie20: so on Sunday, we are meeting as a couple, not as an experimentation*

*Dobelinlo17: that's bizarre but that is more than fine with me*

*Destiformie20: well, I mean that usually a first in person date is to see how the chemistry is vss. how we clicked online. But I can't imagine the chemistry being any different than it already has.*

*Dobelinlo17: exactly*

*Destiformie20: yes, it will be a little awkward getting used to it in person, but I think if we meet exactly how we discussed, we will break the ice real quick*

*Dobelinlo17: let's go for it!!! Yea!!*

*Destiformie20: yes, no doubt*

*Destiformie20: words will not be necessary and are simply not permitted at this point for at least the first - ohhh 30 min.?*

*Dobelinlo17: Oh wow, that would be awesome*

*Destiformie20: ok then, no words for 30 min. after we meet*

*Dobelinlo17: can I at least say hi, nice to meet you? LOL*

*Destiformie20: only with your eyes, your arms, your lips*

*Dobelinlo17: ok then, no words, 30 minutes*

*Destiformie20: deal*

*Dobelinlo17: deal*

*Destiformie20: ok sweetheart. Thank you for being my girlfriend!!!!*

*Dobelinlo17: thank for thinking so much of me to ask*

*Destiformie20: you could have said no until after meeting me*

*Dobelinlo17: I like you too much to wait*

*Dobelinlo17: i want you all to myself*

*Destiformie20: I DELK YOU M*

*Destiformie20: And i want you all to myself*

*Dobelinlo17: I super delk you Snicks*

*Destiformie20: i super duper delk you Sophie*

*Dobelinlo17: I don't think my heart can beat any faster*

*Destiformie20: i don't think my stomach can eat out any more of my insides*

*Dobelinlo17: I know the feeling. No more solid food until after sunday for me*

*Destiformie20: you're too sweet. Good night darling. Rest well. I'll think of*

*you throughout the night.*

*Dobelinlo17: good night. Have a good night at work. Miss ya terribly*

*Destiformie20: me too sweetie, good night*

*Dobelinlo17: good night*

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**"WOW"**

*Wow Snicks, you knocked my socks off tonight!! You just made me so happy. I can't believe how lucky I am to have found someone as special as you and that you think enough of me to want to be a couple. Wow!!*

*Speechless again! Sunday is going to be awesome.*

*Thank you. Talk to you tomorrow. I'm going to bed but I am not sure how much sleep I will get. At least I know I will have sweet dreams of you.*

*I really delk you Snicks.*

*M*





## **II**

### **NO ABILITY TO REASON**

Wednesday, July 23, 2008

**"Good Morning"**

*Gianni,*

*Good Morning. Hope you had a good night at work. I am speechless this morning. That has been happening quite a bit. I think about you constantly. I thought I was having a heart attack last night. My heart was pounding so fast thinking about you. I still can't explain what is going on any better this morning, so why try. I delk you and that is all that matters.*

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*Oh Gianni, what can I say that hasn't already been said? I miss you, I can't wait until Sunday, I keep thinking about you.....and more.*

*Talk to you later*

*Sophie*

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**"Re: Good Morning"**

*Good Morning Adorling, Delk of my life!!*

*I can't explain it any better than you can. But I can't deny it, and I don't want to lose it. I don't want to lose you - not if I can help it.*

*I don't think it's possible for any Romance Movie to put into words or express the emotion that is going on between us. ...and we haven't even met yet. I so look forward to Sunday, M. ...when I can finally look deep into the depths of your eyes as they look into mine, when I can put my arms around you and hold you tight, when I can take my fingers and brush them through your hair upon the sides of your face, when my lips taste the sweetness upon your lips, .....*

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*Thank you for saying YES to being my girlfriend! That was sort of spontaneous on my part, but certainly on my mind for Sunday if nothing else.*

*Delkya, Gianni*

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**"Guess What"**

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*Are you tired of my e-mails yet today? Although I check my in-box every ten minutes (I make myself wait) I only e-mail you every two hours (give or take). Now that is what I call restraint!! What do you think? LOL*

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*Ok, that's it for now. If I tell you everything now you won't get another e-mail.*

*Delk ya honey bear (do you like that one, I'm not sure if I do)*

*M*

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**"Good Morning Honey Bee"**

*If I'm your honey bear, you can be my honey bee. You create all the sweetness in your special hive.*

*Thanks for all the emails sweetie. You're adorable And darling, ...and Adorling.*

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*Your honey bear, licking the honey right off your body*

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**"Re: Good Morning Honey Bee"**

*You are so cute Snicks. I wasn't sure if honey bear was too corny but you made it sound so cute.*

...

*Miss you, miss you, miss you.....*

M

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**"Last One?"**

*Dear Snicks,*

*Well, I made it to 2 1/2 hours since my last e-mail. This might be the last one until I hear from you. I feel like I am talking to myself LOL. No, really, I don't want to overload your inbox and I don't want you to think you have to reply to every one of these.*

*I hope you got lots of sleep. I miss you I am re-reading your other emails just so I don't go absolutely crazy!!*

M

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**"Re: Last One?"**

*Hi baby, don't feel bad. Either yesterday or the day before, I read through the first 30 emails we exchanged just to try to figure out how our relationship transformed so rapidly to something of the deepest experience. It happened rather naturally though. I couldn't put my finger on anything. We were just so agreeable with each other from the start that it was inevitable.*

*Honey Bear*

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**"Re: Last One?"**

*That is amazing, I was actually thinking about that myself the other day. How did this happen?*

*I had a little panic attack in the bathroom before. I was so afraid that this is not real. I want it to be so bad. I am scared sometimes though. Do you think I am crazy? I felt better once I came back and looked at your picture and read your e-mails.*

*Miss you, miss you, miss you honey bear.*

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**"I miss you too M"**

*Baby, believe me - I miss you too all the time. I'll miss you even more after we meet and go back home - I'm sure of it. Only I will have a sweet memory of the touch of your warm body to replay and replay over and over and over again. I'm not worried about how things will go. It has to be the most wonderful physical experience I will have ever had to that point in my life - just being in the same physical space as you and feeling your body in any way that I can!!*

*Snickers*

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***"Thanks"***

*My mind is going a hundred miles an hour and working over time on all this. I also think it will be amazing but that voice in the back of my head is telling me be careful, protect yourself. You have once again eased my mind, so thanks.*

...

*miss ya, miss ya, miss ya, miss ya did I say that?*

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*Hi M,*

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*I understand you wanting to protect yourself. Emotions are a fragile thing. No one wants to get hurt in relationships. I know I don't want to hurt you, only heal you of past hurts.*

...

*Missya honey bee*

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**Chatting online the same day...**

*Destiformie20: hey girlfriend*

*Dobelinlo17: hey boyfriend*

*Destiformie20: how ya doing sweetheart?*

*Dobelinlo17: much better now thanks, how are you??*

*Destiformie20: doing great now*

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*Dobelinlo17: I really, really, really am having trouble waiting. You know that though don't you?*

*Destiformie20: i am too. I want so badly to make this real. It's partially real, but meeting you in person will make it REALLY REAL*

*Dobelinlo17: I want it to be real also. I am scared too*

*Destiformie20: I still am too. It's the natural fear of the unknown*

*Destiformie20: it's also both our natural inhibitions about meeting people and wondering how we will present ourselves.*

*Dobelinlo17: very true to all of the above. I am also concerned at how fast everything has happened but on the other hand it feels so right. does that make any sense?*

*Destiformie20: I don't think we could control the speed, to be honest. Once the train of emotion is set in motion, the mind is unable to set the pace*

*Dobelinlo17: it's a first for me so it is hard to understand. Sometimes i just think "who cares" just enjoy it. so i do...*

*Destiformie20: I am enjoying it too. It's scary for both of us. But I can't tame it. I don't know how to analyze it or try to be sensible about it. I can only react emotionally at this point.*

*Dobelinlo17: Things have to make sense to me and I guess that's why I am having trouble with this. I haven't felt anything for so long which does not help either. I really need for you to just hold me really really tight*

*Dobelinlo17: too many really's?*

*Destiformie20: I will hold you really, really, really, really, really tight when we meet*

*Dobelinlo17: thank you you're the best*

*Destiformie20: it's only because you have hypnotized my heart. I am literally at your command, even when it is only the secret cries of your heart that speak to mine.*

*Destiformie20: our minds are only observing the actions of our hearts and they have been thrown off guard.*

*Dobelinlo17: I guess I think too much. I am just not used to anyone being so kind to me and it makes me feel vulnerable. I am used to being tough and not letting things get to me. You turn me to mush!*

*Destiformie20: it started with our minds meeting, and the more our minds agreed on things, our hearts began to take reign - and since then.....we have lost all ability to reason.*

*Dobelinlo17: My mind won't even let me eat or sleep LOL*

*Destiformie20: I know the feeling. It's crazy, scary, and wonderful all at the same time*

*Dobelinlo17: It is all those things. It is wonderful...*

*Destiformie20: it was your heart and not your reason that agreed to be my girlfriend without even meeting me yet - and after less than 3 weeks time. I thank you for giving me that trust of your emotions to do that. I just suddenly felt compelled to ask you.*

*Dobelinlo17: I didn't hesitate to answer either. I knew right away*

*Destiformie20: ...like I needed a jump start on the weekend. I needed to solidify something about us.*

*Destiformie20: i decided i didn't want Sunday to be a "date" just to see how we connect. I feel that the connection is already there and that our bodies just have to catch up.*

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*Destiformie20: ...I will talk to you later. I DELK YOU VERY MUCH!!!!*

*Dobelinlo17: I delk you very, very much!! Miss ya*

*Destiformie20: MISSYOUTOOBABY*

*Dobelinlo17: have a good night at work*

*Destiformie20: thanks, you'll make it better if you call, but i hope you get some rest sweetie*

*Dobelinlo17: I'll try, thanks, great talking to you*

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**Thursday July 24, 2008**

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*I wanted to ask you if you wanted to make a future date. July 4, 2009, we can celebrate our first anniversary at the Allentown fireworks? Think about it, you don't have to answer me now.*

*I delk you very, very, very, very much (did I say that already??)*

*M*

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**"It's a date"**

*You're on sweetheart,*

*The Allentown Fireworks on July 4, 2009. ...an awesome idea for our first anniversary honey bee - if they give us leave from the insane asylum.*

...

*After I got done talking to you on the phone, I was hitting myself (not hard) and saying, "I am not waking up, I am not waking up".*

*Delk, Snickers*

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**"Re: It's a date"**

*Oh Snicks, I am so glad you said yes to our date. It means a lot to me.*

*Oh Honey Bear, I really enjoyed talking with you. You made my day, again!! ...*

*Don't worry, I will wake you up on Sunday*

...

*Delk ya Snicks, M*

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**"Yeaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaah!"**

*...I want to hold you now, I want to touch you, kiss you, hug you. If only tomorrow were Sunday. You have no idea how hard it was for me to wait for your last email. I am like a child waiting for Santa Claus every time I wait for another email from you. EVERY SINGLE MESSAGE you send gives me hope, encourages me, reminds me of all that we have become in these 3 short weeks.*

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*...and of course I would say YES to you about our date. I anticipate being with you one year from now, so it's a "no duh" to me.*

*A woman named M has stolen my heart  
who surprised me as the embodiment of perfection;  
she has given my life a brand new start  
and wonderful expectations of my life's direction.*

*But this new change is not for me alone  
It is only reserved for her and I together;  
the strength of my emotions she has blown  
as a balloon caught in the wind of weather.*

*I delk you beyond belief, Snickers*

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**"Again"**

*Oh Snicks, you did it again. You touched my heart in ways that no one ever has. That poem has to be the nicest gift I have ever received. And*

*once again you have left me speechless. I know what I want to say but can't, not yet anyway. I think you know too.*

*It is so easy to delk you. You are amazing, unbelievable, sweet, kind and if Sunday does not come soon I am going to explode!!! I want to feel your arms around me and have you kiss me more than anything in this whole world.*

*Saying thank you for the poem just is not enough. I can't express how much it means to me.*

*I delk you more than you will ever know Snicks. ...M*

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**"Re: Again"**

*Thank you baby for my next breath of life. It was so easy to write that poem for you. I just wanted to let you know how special you are to me. I can't even understand the depths of it, but I needed to give you a piece of what I feel. I can't comprehend how or why I feel what I feel. I just do. I can't help it. It's overwhelming in a way I've never experienced. I too am ready to explode. I wonder if my theory of long distance relationships would work well for us. It would certainly keep up the anticipation.*

*I can't sleep and my stomach is still constantly in knots. Thank you for your wonderful words. You are truly ADORLING. I've never even met you face to face, but I never felt a tie so close to that of my own children as I do with you already. I'm sorry if that sounds crazy. But everything I have said has been a natural progression that just happened as we built conversation upon conversation, and a grand coliseum has been built before our very eyes.*

*I am so in delk with you!! Snicks*

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**"Re: Again"**

*Are you sure this is real? I want it to be, really bad. You don't sound crazy at all because I know exactly what you are talking about. I am feeling the same things.*

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*I delk you so much Snicks. So much my insides hurt and are mush at the same time*

*M*

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**"Re: Again"**

*I feel like today is the most intense yet. I don't know how many times I have cried today - because the emotion has become so intense, I guess it gushes out in every form of expression. I don't get it. We really NEED to see each other in person. This is getting plain unhealthy (lol).*

*Snicks*

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**"Re: Again"**

*Oh honey bear, I hate to think that you are crying. I agree with you (LOL) about today being intense. This is crazy!! Oh Snicks, I miss you terribly.*

*M*

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**Thursday, July 24, 2008, cont.**

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*Destiformie20: When we say "seeya later" on Sunday night, we are going to enter a whole new dimension*

*Dobelinlo17: i dread that moment*

*Destiformie20: and i can barely handle this unknown dimension*

*Destiformie20: but at least we will have the memory of meeting face to face*

*Destiformie20: and that is why the new dimension will be less mysterious - yet more intense*

*Dobelinlo17: i guess that is good. I will still not want to say see you later*

*Destiformie20: i'm guessing that is going to be a difficult few minutes*

*Dobelinlo17: yes, i miss you already*

*Destiformie20: of course, we haven't even met yeeet. We still have to get through the first few minutes. Right now, I'm still a little scared, but as we've already said, the phone calls have helped ease the inhibitions some*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm scared too so we can be scared together and let's just go for it!! LOL*

*Destiformie20: we definitely going to go for it. I'm dying inside. Meeting you very shortly from now is going to revive me.*

*Dobelinlo17: I need some revival myself.*

*Destiformie20: well, we are going to revive each other. There is no turning back - only moving forward.*

*Dobelinlo17: that is just what I need at this moment in my life*

*Destiformie20: me too - and considering everything we have shared in the mind and heart online, I don't feel that the body has a choice but to fall in line with the program.*

*Dobelinlo17: i need you to hold me*

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*A remark from Sophie:*

Looking back on that particular comment ("I need you to hold me") I cannot believe that I actually "said" that to Gianni knowing that we had not yet met each other. As you, the reader, may have noticed, I am typically very reserved with my comments and this seems so unlike anything that I would normally say. It just shows how comfortable I was with Gianni and how much I "delked" him.

*Destiformie20: i desire to hold you, ...and kiss you, ...and caress you, ...*

*Destiformie20: but i don't know if i'll be able to let go*

*Dobelinlo17: you always know what I need to hear*

*Destiformie20: we're in sync baby - mysteriously in sync*

*Destiformie20: we don't even have to think about it*

*Destiformie20: i just called to say i delk you (point being)*

*Dobelinlo17: i wish you were here right now. this is getting to be too much*

*Dobelinlo17: that was the best*

*Destiformie20: yes, it was a really cool illustration*

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A remark by Gianni:

Sometime in the last 3 days, I had called Sophie and sang the first line of a well-known song: "I just called to say I love you". But I substituted the words with, "I just called to say I delk you". But what was really interesting was that when I sang those words to Sophie, she was blown away because the words to that song, "I just called to say I love you", had been floating through her mind that day.

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*Destiformie20: at this point, i can't imagine being without you. I feel i could not function without you now. I feel i would lose all hope of ever finding that special someone, because you are the treasure of all the world already. Wow, i guess that puts you on the spot*

*Dobelinlo17: i guess if I didn't feel the exact same way it would but I do so it doesn't. Does that make any sense at all???*

*Destiformie20: yes it does. I understood every word of it*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm glad. i know what I am thinking but sometimes it doesn't come out right. I feel overwhelmed tonight*

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**LOVE BEFORE FIRST  
SIGHT**

Friday, July 25, 2008

"Sunshine"

*Hi Snicks. You bring sunshine to the darkness of my night. I love talking to you in the middle of my night. It dosen't seem real.*

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*Miss ya and I delk you very, very, very much.*

*Sophie*

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"Re: Sunshine"

*Thank you sweetheart, and you are the white clouds that replace the black ones in my life. You are such (I'm speechless) ...a wonderment in my life. If my feelings for you are infatuation, it is on the highest possible level known to mankind just before it can be determined to be something on an even more celestial plane.*

...

*On Sunday, no matter how awkward or scary it may seem to be (at least for me), I accept you as you are already, and will let the day work itself out in it's own way. ...although I am anticipating an unexplainable first 30 minutes after our eyes first meet.*

*I delk you beyond belief, ...Snicks*

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**"Hi Adorling"**

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*I soooooo can't wait until Sunday - I will, but I don't want to.*

*Thanks for the encouragement honey bee.*

*I delk you very, very, very, very, extremely alot!*

*Your honey bear. (that is going to be your huggy bear very soon.)*

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**"Re: Hi Adorling"**

*Hi Honey Bear,*

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*I am tired but I am extremely happy. I feel like a pressure cooker waiting to explode. I can't get enough of you.*

*I hope you are going to try to get some sleep.*

*Delk you more than you will know*

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*As told by Sophie*

Every time Gianni said, "I delk you", I thought he was saying "I love you". That was what my heart was saying at the time. My head was telling me that I was crazy and how can anyone be in love before ever meeting? Although it sounds impossible and crazy to outsiders, to me, it was just a natural progression in our relationship and it felt right.

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*Destiformie20: I believe that for however long we are together (eternity would not be long enough), we are going to have a wonderfully harmoniously unified relationship*

*Dobelinlo17: i don't see it any other way*

*Destiformie20: I don't either, and how have we come to be able to talk like this so absolutely freely without hesitation after 3 weeks time????*

*Destiformie20: i know, we don't know*

*Destiformie20: but each day, we still grow closer.*

*Destiformie20: each hour, we become more sure of our relationship*

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*Destiformie20: every phone call gets easier and easier, more natural, more right*

*Dobelinlo17: ... I don't know how we got this far this quickly. It does not make sense. I have never felt this way about anyone. I have never talked to anyone so openly either. You, Snicks, are very, very, very special to me and I can't explain it*

*Destiformie20: be careful, you're gonna make me cry*

*Destiformie20: remember, i'm a mushmellon*

*Destiformie20: the butterflies are roaming about again*

*Dobelinlo17: I have cried over this. I am not sure why i deserve you. I have been through a lot in the past 1 1/2 years and for you to come along now, it is super amazing*

*Destiformie20: my head is going flush*

*Dobelinlo17: don't faint*

*Destiformie20: i'll try not. But you are about to cause it to happen*

*Destiformie20: this whole thing is not me, it's US - TOGETHER. That's why it's happening*

*Dobelinlo17: we are together because God knew the person i was looking for.*

*I asked to meet you eventually and he was gracious enough to send you now.*

*I was honestly not looking for a relationship but he knew better*

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*Destiformie20: I am glad you are not complaining. I couldn't possibly come up with one complaint about you - not one - you are adorable and wonderful and awesome in every way!!!*

*Dobelinlo17: you are all that and more, i really don't deserve you*

*Destiformie20: we deserve each other sweet honey bee. I am nothing special. We are just right for each other.*

*Dobelinlo17: you are so special!!! you are very special to me*

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*Dobelinlo17: i don't want you to let me go.. ever.*

*Destiformie20: This language is so deep for the word DELK. I'm sorry. I can't hold it in:*

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*As told by Gianni*

*Sophie suddenly heard her cell phone ring. When she answered it, she heard the words on the end of the line. "I love you, Sophie". After a moment of shock, she replied, "I love you too Gianni". We had just taken our*

*relationship to a higher level than we expected before even meeting in person. I couldn't hold it in. My emotions were so overwhelming by now, I literally could not stop myself from blurting out the "L" word. We talked on the phone for a while, trying to figure out what this was going to mean for our relationship, then returned to our online chat.*

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*Destiformie20: ok, i said it*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm so glad you did*

*Destiformie20: and i'm glad you did too*

*Dobelinlo17: i'm totally mush now*

*Destiformie20: my stomach is churning*

*Destiformie20: funny how we think alike, even if it was in different words*

*Dobelinlo17: i am still shaking*

*Destiformie20: I LOVE YOU SOPHIE*

*Dobelinlo17: I LOVE YOU GIANNI*

*Destiformie20: WOWW!!*

*Destiformie20: That's the greatest feeling in the world*

*Destiformie20: to love and be loved*

*Dobelinlo17: sure is, especially since i never felt it before*

*Destiformie20: i know i haven't. Whatever I thought love was before, was just a lower form. We have discovered the fullest evolved form of love in universal existence*

*Dobelinlo17: you sure do have a way with words*

*Destiformie20: it's all your fault, you've driven it out of me*

*Destiformie20: the passion that is within me has been reserved for you since eternity*

*Destiformie20: only you could tap into it and cause it's release*

*Dobelinlo17: glad to do it*

*Dobelinlo17: although I don't know what i did*

*Dobelinlo17: or how i did it*

*Destiformie20: and i'm glad that you did*

*Destiformie20: it doesn't matter darling*

*Destiformie20: you just did and that's all that matters*

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*Destiformie20: ok, sweetie. I'll chat with you later, and watch a movie with you later. I love you M*

*Dobelinlo17: I love ya, love ya, love ya Snicks. I am bursting, have a good rest*

*Love you*

*Destiformie20: i'm bursting too baby. luvyaluvyaluvyaluvya*

*Dobelinlo17: you are adorable, miss ya, love ya....*

*Destiformie20: you are adorling. I miss you whenever we are not talking on the phone or online. I miss you whenever I'm waiting for your next email.*

*Dobelinlo17: i miss you all the time too. you are wonderful, sweet, kind...and everything else*

*Dobelinlo17: that is why i love you*

*Destiformie20: the words awesome, stupendous, terrific, amazing fail to describe just how off the charts you are*

*Dobelinlo17: you are too kind*

*Destiformie20: you are too deserving*

*Dobelinlo17: hmmm.. thank you i wish i felt deserving*

*Destiformie20: you are deserving because you are a sensitive spiritual woman, a sensitive mother, a sensitive manager, a sensitive friend, a sensitive neighbor, ...and we reap what we sow ...*

*Dobelinlo17: thank you so much. you never cease to amaze me. i truly appreciate your kindness. your words touch me in ways you will never know.*

*Destiformie20: well, I hope my arms, fingers, and lips touch you in words we will never know*

*Dobelinlo17: i am sure they will. ...*

*Destiformie20: baby it is soooooooooo close, i can taste you*

*Destiformie20: my stomach is jumping again*

*Dobelinlo17: not close enough. I don't know how much restraint I will be able to show. I am a mess!!*

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*Destiformie20: ok honey, talk to you later. Loveyoumuch*

*Dobelinlo17: ok. I love you*

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**Later the same day after we first exchanged the "L" word...**

**"Happy"**

*Dear Gianni,*

*I hope you are getting some sleep. It has been quite a day and I am so happy.*

*I really feel like I am dreaming now. I really can't wait to see you on Sunday, it will be amazing.*

*Love ya*

*Sophie*

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**Saturday, July 26, 2009**

**"Thanks"**

*Thank you also ...for giving me your spirit, your heart, your soul, your love, your hope, your dreams, your beauty, your loveliness, your laugh, your accent, your "I know, right", your sweetness, your kindness, your passion, .....I will do my best to repay this wonderful gift of your life by giving my very own to you - body, soul, and spirit.*

*I loved hearing your voice, your laugh, your love on the phone tonight at work. I just can't get enough of you. I miss you when I'm not with you in some form.*

*Have a fun and "bonding" day with Elizabeth.*

*I LOVE YOU with all my HEART and MIND now. After we meet, I will LOVE YOU with all my BODY as well. Talk to you soon baby.*

*Love, Snickers*

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**"Re: Thanks"**

*You don't know what you do to me Snicks. For sure you leave me speechless. You are an amazing and special person and I am going to miss you*

*terribly today. The only comfort I have is that we are actually going to see each other tomorrow!!*

*I told you this before, I love hearing your voice when I am sleepy. It is so comforting. I love being at work with you.*

*I will e-mail you when I get back home. I don't want to call you in case you are sleeping.*

*Hope you get lots of rest today Snicks so that you are ready for tomorrow!! It is going to be an awesome and wonderful experience and I can't wait to touch you and hold you and kiss you.....*

*I didn't think I could ever feel like this. I thought that part of me was gone. Thanks for giving me the gift of love Snicks. I really thought it didn't exist.*

*I love you Gianni.*

*Talk to you later, see you tomorrow!!! M*

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### **"I Love You M"**

*Baby, that part of you never left! It was waiting for me. And thank God, it found me - and I found you. There is no comparing what we feel and*

*experinece together. The only thing that can top it is when we meet tomorrow.*

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*I love you adorling*

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### **"I Love You Snicks"**

*Just a quick e-mail that I promised you. I was walking our dog this morning and was thinking about you (of course). I suddenly realized why it is hard for me to believe that you are real. I have been dreaming you in my imagination for years and years. To keep sane over the last few years, I have imagined that someday I would meet a man. I imagined us going to church together and holding hands, praying together. I imagined that he would love me for who I am, not who he wanted me to be. I imagined that he would not care if I didn't have the right words or if I was "quiet". He would love me because I loved my pets. He wouldn't criticize or blame me for things out of my control. Today I realized that you are the man I have imagined and dreamt about. That is why my brain won't let this be real, until tomorrow. You are everything that I have been dreaming about. Then today*

*when you asked me to go to church, I was... I don't think there are words to describe what I felt.*

*I love you.*

*Sophie*

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**"We have fulfilled each other's dreams"**

*Hi sweetheart,*

*That was #1 of all your emails adorling. That touched my heart like nothing you've said. I want to be that man. I will be that man. I will see you tomorrow. I will open my arms and welcome you into them. I will hold you tight and will not let go the rest of the day. I will kiss you lovingly, gently, passionately, sharingly. I will be there tomorrow and always.*

*Thank you Sophie for letting me be your dream guy, and for being my dream girl. Our love truly is only something that dreams are made of. I promise to live by the standards of TFOM and all that we agree to add on in the future. ...because they are our promises to each other to help maintain a happy and fulfilled relationship.*

*I love you more than words can say, "and I haven't even met you". ...Gianni*