

THE ONLY GIRL I'LL EVER NEED

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INT. SMALL SHOPPING CENTRE - DAY

A number of shops in a row - A beautifully innocent, dark haired young girl of about seven years old walks by a greeting card store with her slim, tall father.

GIRL

Daddy, why don't you have a girlfriend?

DAD

We can go look inside if you like?
Get a card for your Mum?

GIRL

OK!

The girl skips off into the store.

INT. CARD STORE - DAY

A card shop flooded with red, pink, passionate colours. Valentine's card covering the shelves and young people searching for last minute cards.

GIRL

Do you think she'd like this one?

The girl's father drifts off slightly, himself, looking at cards.

The two browse the shelves together.

DAD (V.O.)

I wish you were here to see how much she's grown since you left us. You'd be so proud. I never cared much for Valentine's but know you'd have loved teaching her all about it.

The young girl picks up a card full of hearts and roses, showing it to her father.

GIRL

This one!

He takes it from her for a second, looking at it briefly before smiling at his daughter.

DAD

Perfect.

He closes the card and puts it onto the service counter alongside another card he has picked out also.

The girl smiles.

FADE OUT

INT. RESTAURANT - EVENING

The restaurant is filled with happy couples sharing a romantic Valentine's day meal with one another. Flowers lay at the side of the odd table and a kiss laid lightly on the lips by a couple just sitting down.

The father and his daughter see them briefly as she looks back at her father and smiles.

GIRL

I'm glad Mummy got her card today.
Do you think she'd like it?

DAD

Of course darling-- Oh, that reminds me. I've got something for you too.

He picks out a card from under the table, passing it to his daughter.

GIRL

Thank you!

She tears the card from it's envelope, bending it slightly in excitement.

She looks at the card, struggling to read it as her father watches her with endearment in his eyes.

GIRL (CONT'D)

Daddy, I asked you yesterday, why don't you have a girlfriend?

DAD

(confidently)
Because you're the only girl I'll ever need.

The girl stands the card on the table and gets from her seat to go and give her father a kiss on the cheek.

The two embrace.

DAD (CONT'D)

Time for dessert?

An ecstatic smile floods the girl's face as she sits back down.

GIRL

Yeeeee!

FADE OUT.