THE GIFT

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FADE IN:

INT. FELICITY'S BATHROOM - NIGHT

FELICITY, a plump, rather common looking young woman is in her bathroom fixing her make up and merrily humming. The doorbell rings, she rushes out.

INT. FELICITY'S ENTRANCE HALL - NIGHT

Felicity hastily opens the door and flies into the arms of a very handsome smiling young man, SCOTT.

SCOTT

I love you my Valentine!

He pulls out a red rose from behind his back. They laugh and kiss passionately.

INT. FELICITY'S BEDROOM - DAY

Felicity is lying in bed with a sleep mask on. She's giggling in her sleep as a big dog is hungrily lipping her face.

FELICITY

I love you too Scott...

She suddenly lifts her mask. The dog stops and stares at her.

FELICITY (CONT'D)

Hey Buddy... Come here, good boy...

INT. AT THE FLOWER SHOP - DAY

In a very well kept flower shop, MRS COBB, an elegant woman in her fifties is arranging roses as Felicity rushes in.

FELICITY

Morning Miss, sorry, I overslept.

She gives a quick stroke to a black cat asleep on a chair.

MRS COBB

Hi Felicity, come on in, today's going to be busy.

INT. AT THE FLOWER SHOP - NIGHT

Felicity and Mrs Cobb are putting empty vases on a shelf when the shop bell rings.

SCOTT (O.S.)

Good evening Mrs Cobb.

MRS COBB

Good evening Mr Read. Felicity, will you help Mr Read please?

FELICITY

(mumbling, looking down)
Sure... Good evening Sir. A red
rose, as usual?

SCOTT

No... Actually, I'd like something special today.

FELICITY

Oh sure, today's a special day.

SCOTT

It is yes... And she's a very special person.

He looks hesitantly at all the flowers in the shop.

SCOTT (CONT'D)

Well, you probably know better, just make something you would like.

INT. AT THE FLOWER SHOP - NIGHT

Felicity and Mrs Cobb watch Scott leave the shop with a huge bunch of flowers wrapped in a heart printed paper.

MRS COBB

Some girls are blessed, aren't they? But your time will come Felicity.

She closes her eyes and takes a deep breath. A gust of wind blows from the street into the shop and makes the door slam behind Scott. Mrs Cobb's black cat wakes with a start.

INT. FELICITY'S LANDING - NIGHT

Felicity slowly climbs the last steps to her landing when she notices a red petal on the floor. The further she walks the more petals. She stops and looks, puzzled, at the huge bunch of flowers she just made lying on her doormat. There's a card that she picks and reads. She smiles and closes her eyes as she embraces the flowers.

FADE OUT.