

Lost

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EXT. ROAD. LATE AFTERNOON.

Empty country road. A lone car drives past.

INT. CAR.

JACK is driving. Late twenties, short brown hair, quiet type. He sees a girl stood on the side of the road, waving. He pulls up to her, and winds down the window.

EXT. ROADSIDE.

EMMA leans on the car door. Early twenties, huge brown eyes, long dark hair. Chatty type. Her dress looks slightly dirty.

EMMA

Hi. Thanks for stopping!

JACK

You okay?

EMMA

Well...this will sound a bit stupid. My dog ran off, and I lost him. Then I kind've got lost myself. Can you help?

JACK

With the dog or you?

EMMA

(coyly)
Just the dog.

Jack smiles and gets out of the car. They walk towards a wood.

EXT. WOOD.

They walk through the trees and shrubs. Jack sees something.

JACK

Over here!!

He sees a dog lying on the ground, he runs over to it. Emma runs after him. She covers her mouth, her eyes well up. Jack crouches near the dog. He slowly reaches out. The dog jumps up and into Jack's lap

JACK (CONT'D)

It's alright!! He's okay!

Emma laughs through the tears. The dog starts frantically licking Jack's face.

JACK (CONT'D)

Urgh! What's he doing!!

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EMMA

Aww!! He's just giving you a big
kiss!! Aren't you boy!!

Jack puts the dog down. Emma puts her dog back on a lead.

EMMA (CONT'D)

I really don't know how to thank
you. What are you doing later?

JACK

Nothing really.

EMMA

Nothing? On Valentines Day?

Jack looks embarrassed. Emma stares at him.

EMMA (CONT'D)

Saving yourself for 'Mrs. Perfect'
are you? I'm sure she'll turn up
one day. You just never know!

Jack smiles bashfully, and looks away.

JACK

It's getting dark, we should...

Jack turns around. Emma and the dog are gone. He stands
silently looking around. He is completely alone in the wood.

EXT. ROADSIDE. SUNSET.

Jack comes out of the forest, muddy and looking lost. A man
runs up to him and calls out.

MAN

Hey! HEY! Do you have a phone?

JACK

Why?

MAN

There's been an accident.

EXT. ROAD.

Jack follows the man to a car, it is still running. A girl
with in a dress is lying unconscious in the road. A dog is
sat nearby, barking. Jack kneels down next to her and holds
her hand, it gently grips back. The dog wags it's tail.

Emma opens her eyes and smiles. Jack smiles back. Blue lights
of the ambulance begin to flicker across their faces.

FADE TO BLACK.