Screenplay

Ву

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INT. APARTMENT. EVENING

A Young writer sits at his desk at home, concentrating, typing on his laptop. The man is age 25, tall and muscular with blonde hair.

His girlfriend enters, She is typically beautiful.

CAYLA

'Hey Luke, what are you writing?'

LUCAS

'Hey Sweetheart, I'm just working on an idea I've been holding onto for a while, its a bit of a romance.'

CAYLA

'Oh that's great Luke, I'd always hoped you would write a love story. I bet this book will outdo your last two.'

LUCAS

'Well hopefully, Its a lot different from writing comedy. You have to really get inside the characters minds, work out what they're true desires are. This ones not going to be easy, but ill write a love story just for you'

CAYLA

'Oh and this is coming from Lucas Scott? only 25 and already a successfully published novelist for the second time.. I'm sure you'll be fine..

LUCAS

'(slight laugh) Well at least i have one fan'

'I'll always be your biggest fan, but that's just because I have to live with you..'

Lucas turns to Cayla with a playfully angry look as she leaves the room.

She calls to him from the next room.

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CAYLA

'We're going to be late Mr Love story'

LUCAS

'Wait, where are we going?'

CAYLA

'Oh, I'll let you figure that out for yourself when we get there'

INT. CAR. EVENING.

Couple traveling in car, Cayla Driving.

LUCAS

'So why is it that we always take your car?'

CAYLA

'Because I've had to pick you up more than 5 times this year, when your crappy old bomb has broken down'.

LUCAS

'Hey, that crappy old bomb has been with me through thick and thin, its my baby'.

CAYLA

'Well your baby is in desperate need of a trade in'.

LUCAS

'you know you wouldn't dare to get rid of her'

CAYLA

'Maybe not but I can keep trying'

LUCAS

'Alright so are you ever going to tell me where we're going because I really have no idea'.

CAYLA

alright well i know whenever you start a new book you have to search for inspiration for characters.

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LUCAS

Okay...?

CAYLA

So i thought that maybe I could remind you of a couple of characters

LUCAS

Who?

CAYLA

Us! We're here!

EXT. LAKE. SUNSET.

LUCAS AND CAYLA GET OUT OF THE CAR. THEY ARE AT A LAKE AT SUNSET .

CAYLA

Do you remember when we had our first date here?

LUCAS

How could I forget? Ive never tried to impress a girl more in my life.

CAYLA

'You were so obvious about it to.

LUCAS

Hey we were only 17 and you cant blame a guy for trying

CAYLA

A picnic at sunset

LUCAS

I had you in the palm of my hand

CAYLA

Hey don't get to cocky, You were still to shy to say anything. I spent that whole afternoon talking to myself

LUCAS

Just like you love to do.

CAYLA

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LUCAS

Just speaking the truth

CAYLA

well you may have been incredibly shy, but i think it was that date that made me realise that I wanted to spend the rest of my life with you.

LUCAS

You figured all that out in one afternoon?

CAYLA

Well I figured out that I wanted to know everything about that shy boy who went to so much trouble to impress me.

LUCAS

I guess it was worth spending a whole weeks pay on after all.

Why did you bring me here though Cayla?

CAYLA

I just wanted to remind you of the people we used to be, when we were so ignorant to everything in the world, we didn't have to worry about money or paying or rent, we were just so happy spending an afternoon together. Maybe you could create a character so unrestrained.

LUCAS

I could spend every afternoon of my life with you

CAYLA

I knew there was a reason we got engaged.

LUCAS

Yeh i just wish i could remember it. Don't worry I'm Just kidding. I love you Peyton.

CAYLA

I love you to.

CAYLA HAS A DISTANT LOOK ON HER FACE- SHE TURNS TO FACE THE LAKE. SHE IS REMEMBERING SOMETHING FROM 2 YEARS AGO.

INT. COLLEGE DORM ROOM. DAY. FLASHBACK

CAYLA Is kissing JULIAN

She pulls away

CAYLA

'Wait, I cant be doing this'

JULIAN

'Why not? Whats wrong?'

CAYLA

'I only broke up with Luke a week ago.'

JULIAN

'OK, well i don't know about your definition, but my understanding of breaking up, means that you're not together anymore, it doesn't really matter how long its been.

CAYLA

'Yeh i know its silly but I still love him, you know'

JULIAN

'well do you really think youll get back together? I mean is what might have been with him, worth missing out on something new with someone else?

CAYLA

I don't know

JULIAN

Well if you make up your mind, let me know.

JULIAN begins to leave the room

CAYLA

Wait. You're right.

EXT. CAFE. DAY.

Cayla is sitting with her best friend Sam, having coffee.

CAYLA

Sam there's something I have to tell you.

SAM

OK well don't leave me guessing what is it,

CAYLA

well (pausing hesitantly)

SAM

Come on Cayls we've been friends for like 10 years now you know you can tell me anything

CAYLA

Well its about Lucas

SAM

Oh no honey what is it?

CAYLA

Do you remember when he and I had agreed to break up after high school because we were leaving for college?

SAM

Of course, I mean you were so sad you considered dropping out. Why?

CAYLA

well, there was this guy that I met there, he was in my dorm and he was really nice and we got really close.

SAM

OK sorry but I'm not following why this is bad

CAYLA

Well we got even closer, and it had only been a few days after Lucas and I had broken up, And i feel terrible about it. CONTINUED: 7.

SAM

Well there's really not much you can do about it now, I mean, you weren't together so you didn't do anything wrong,

CAYLA

It really doesn't feel that way. I was still in Love with Lucas, I just thought i was never going to see him again. So I fell for Julian.

SAM

Cayls, you didn't do anything wrong.

CAYLA DALTON

I think i need to tell Lucas, Were getting married soon, I don't want to keep anything from him.

SAM

As noble as that decision is, I think it might hurt him to hear it rather than help you to feel better.

Lucas enters.

LUCAS JAMES

Don't worry, I heard enough

Lucas Leaves abruptly.

CAYLA DALTON

Luke wait

INT. APARTMENT. EVENING

(Lucas sits at his desk staring blankly at his computer.)

Lucas types the word DECEIVE.

Lucas deletes this and types the word BETRAYED.

Lucas deletes this and types ...LOVE

ENTER CAYLA

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CAYLA

'Luke i'm so sorry'

I didn't know how to tell you

When we broke up after high school, I was a mess and there was this guy..

LUCAS

'Did you sleep with him?'

CAYLA

'Yeh, but it didn't mean anything, it was only because i missed you'.

LUCAS

'I missed you to but I didn't hook up with some girl a few days after'.

CAYLA

'I know and I'm so sorry'.

LUCAS

'I cant do this anymore. You should go'.

Cayla leaves the room in tears

INT. APARTMENT. NIGHT

Lucas slams down his laptop and goes to bed

INT. APARTMENT. DAY

Lucas sits at desk, frustrated. Unable to write.

INT. APARTMENT. DAY

Lucas sits on his bed, frustrated. Unable to write.

INT. CAFE. DAY

Lucas sits in a cafe. He drinks a coffee, staring at a blank page on his laptop.

INT. APARTMENT. NIGHT

Lucas sits at his desk, no laptop. He holds his hands to his head, despondent.

INT.SAMS APARTMENT. EVENING

Sam opens the door to Lucas

SAM

Luke, Hi.

LUCAS

Hi, Is Cayla here

SAM

Yeh, I was just leaving, come in

LUCAS

Thankyou

Lucas walks to Cayla who is sitting at the dining table.

CAYLA

'I wasnt sure you would come'

LUCAS

'I wasnt either'

CAYLA

'Well im glad you did'

LUCAS

'I think we need to talk'

CAYLA

'I was afraid of that. I'm sorry i didn't tell you sooner.

LUCAS

'I think maybe i overreacted a bit'.

CAYLA

'NO, you didn't. It shouldn't have happended. You have every right to be angry

LUCAS

I'm not angry, im disappointed.

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CAYLA

Why?

LUCAS

Because i thought i meant more to you than that, I thought you would wait for me.

CAYLA

You broke up with me Lucas, you said you wanted me to have fun at college even though we would be apart. You told me to move on.

LUCAS

I know. I just didn't think you would

CAYLA

I didn't. There wasn't a day that i didn't miss you. There hasn't been a day since then that i haven't regret it. I love you Luke, I want to marry you. If you'll have me back, I promise you that ill never hide anything from you again.

LUCAS

I know you wouldn't. I miss you.

CAYLA

I miss you to.

Cayla stands and walks closer to Lucas.

LUCAS

I'm sorry i reacted so strongly. It hurt me to hear it.

CAYLA

I know.

LUCAS

I still love you

CAYLA

Ill always love you

LUCAS

I want you to come home.

INT. APARTMENT. DAY. A FEW DAYS LATER

Couple are shown in apartment, they appear happy.

An unbound book lies on Lucas' desk.

It reads, 'A Love Story'. Lucas James.

FADE OUT.