

All's Fair in Love and War

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This is a dream I had once. It's just your typical, yet, not typical chick flick movie idea. It's about a guy who falls in love with a girl, and another girl who gets in the way. Then there is a sister who is in the middle of it all.

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1 - The Perfect Day

It's a beautiful day on the beach. The California sun is shining, the children are playing, and the waves are crashing on the shore. A life guard is standing in the watch tower while peering through the binoculars with his beautiful blue eyes. His light brown hair with blonde highlights at the tip of each spike glistened in the summer sun. He watched the people swimming with their friends and families enjoying the time that they share together. A group of friends was taking pleasure in a sociable jet ski competition. One girl was apparently in the lead. She had long, wavy brown hair with green eyes. The smile she had on her face brought out the beauty of her personality. Then, without her knowledge, a vast wave crashed on top of her, causing her to fall off her jet ski and into the water. Her friends noticed this, but she was so far ahead of them that they were unable to reach her. The life guard in the tower jumped from the top of the tower to the burning sand below, not using the stairs for fear of lost time. He dove into the water and swam as fast as he could until he reached the girl. He brought her on shore and proceeded to do CPR to revive her. The girl coughed up some water that had entered her lungs and opened her eyes gradually. The life guard smiled and said, "Hey, you're all right now, I've got you." The girl smiled.

~~~1 year later~~~

(At a local coffee shop on the boardwalk)

The girl that had a near death experience works in the "Boardwalk Café." The life guard walks in. They have established a best friend relationship since that horrendous, yet, miraculous day on the beach.

Girl \*waving\*: "Hey what's up Nick?"

Nick \*smiling\*: "Oh hey Lynn how's it going?"

Lynn: "Eh...hanging in there."

Nick \*laughed\*: "I know how you feel. My job is giving me hell."

Lynn: "Oh yea I forgot you had another job. I bet you like being a life guard more though."

Nick: "Of course, if I had my way I would be a life guard as a life-long career. I get to meet so many special people like you." \*winks and smiles\*

Lynn \*blushes\*. "Aww cut it out." \*smiles\*

Nick: "When does your shift end?"

Lynn \*looks at watch\*: "Right now." \*smiles\*

Nick \*gets off bar stool\*: "Great! Hey how about we go for a walk."

Lynn \*nods\*: "Sure."

~~~On the beach shore where the waves break against the sand~~~  
(About sunset)

Nick was walking next to Lynn.

Lynn was looking at the water splashing over her shoeless feet.

Nick *looks at Lynn*

Lynn: "What is it? Do I have something on my face?" *wipes her face*

Nick: "Oh, no it's not that.....it's just.....nothing never mind..." *smiles*

Lynn *smiles*

Nick *in a quiet voice*: "Actually, there is something I have been meaning to tell you, but I don't exactly know how."

Lynn: "It's ok, I'm sure the words will come out somehow. *smiles at Nick* *looks down at her watch* Oh no!"

Nick: "What is it?"

Lynn: "My sister is picking her friend up from the airport, but I have the car so I'm supposed to be home right now."

Nick: "Oh, ok I guess I'll see you later then, we'll continue our conversation." *smiles*

Lynn: "All right! See ya." *runs to her car as she is trying to slip her shoes back on*

Nick watches as Lynn gets into her car and drives off. He sighs and plops himself on the sand and watches the sun fall under the horizon of the sea.

~~~At Lynn's apartment~~~

Lynn \*runs up to the apartment\*

Julie (Lynn's sister): "Where have you been, Desiree's plane lands in 20 minutes!"

Lynn: "I know, I know. I was with Nick."

Julie \*smiles\*: "Oooooohhhh anything happen?"

Lynn \*raises brow\*: "No why would anything happen, we're just friends."

Julie: "Uh....huh...well then shall we go?"

Lynn \*looks at her sister suspiciously\*

Julie grabs her jacket and they both walked down the stairs to Lynn's car. They drive to the airport.

~~~At the gate~~~

(The plane lands and people begin to file out of the terminal)

Lynn *looking around*: "Where is she?"

Julie *looks at Lynn*: "What am I, her keeper?"

Lynn: "Yes." *smiles*

Julie: "Shut up." *laughs* *points* "Oh look there she is!" *runs to Desiree and gives her a hug*

Desiree *surprised*: "OMG Julie! It's been so long!"

Julie: "I'm so glad you could come."

Lynn *walks up to the two*

Julie "Oh, Desiree, you remember my little sister Lynn."

Desiree *smiles*: "How could I forget?" *gives Lynn a hug*

Lynn: "It's good to see you again Desiree."

Desiree: "You too."

Julie *puts hands together and smiles* *turns to Desiree*: "Well then, you have had a long flight so shall we go home so you can get some rest?"

Desiree *nods*: "Yes, please! I hate flying, I always get jet lag."

Lynn *smiles*:"Come, come."

The three girls walk to the parking garage to the car. They put Desiree's bags in the trunk and drive back to the apartment.

~~~Back at the apartment~~~

Desiree \*looking around\*: "Wow Jules, you have a nice place."

Julie \*smiles\*: "Thanks. Well then, I'll show you where you will be staying."

Desiree \*nods and follows Julie\*

Lynn \*sighs\* she sits on the couch and turns on the TV. She couldn't focus on the programs because she could only think about what Nick wanted to say and what Julie did say.

\*Flashback\*

Nick's voice: "Actually, there is something I have been meaning to tell you, but I don't exactly know how."

Julie's voice: "Oooooohhhh anything happen?"

Lynn's voice: "No why would anything happen, we're just friends."

Julie's voice: "Uh....huh..."

Lynn \*shakes her head\* "No, it couldn't be." She laughs slightly and goes to her room to go to bed.

## 2 - The Conflict

~~~Next day~~~  
(At the Boardwalk Café)

Lynn is wiping off the tables in the coffee shop and Julie and Desiree are sitting at the counter catching up on old times. Nick walks in.

Lynn *looks up and smiles*: “Hey Nick!”

Nick *waves*: “Hello Lynn. *looks over to Julie* Hey Julie! And who is this lovely lady?” *points to Desiree*

Julie *looks at Desiree*: “Oh this is my old friend Desiree. She just flew in last night. She will be staying with Lynn and me for a few weeks. Desiree this is Nick, *pointing to Nick* he is a good friend of Lynn’s.”

Desiree *smiles*: “Nice to meet you Nick, so do you have a girlfriend?”

Julie *looks at Desiree*: “Dez! I’m sorry she can be a little forward.” *she says to Nick*

Nick *smiles* “I don’t mind. No, at the current moment I don’t have a girlfriend.”

Desiree: “Ah, I see. I wonder why that is.”

Nick *shrugs and glances at Lynn who is still cleaning off the other tables in the shop*

Desiree: “So what do you do?”

Nick *looks back towards Desiree and Julie*: “Well, I have a part time job as a computer programmer, but during the summers I like being a life guard.”

Desiree: “That’s cool.”

Julie: “He actually saved Lynn’s life once.”

Desiree *surprised*: “Oh really! That’s fantastic!”

Nick *blushes and scratches head*: “Well, yea I kinda did that. Heh Heh.”

Lynn *walks over*: “Now, now Nick, don’t be so modest.”

Nick *smiles* *looks at clock on the wall* “Oh is that the real time? Crap, I gotta get to work. If I’m late again I’m gonna get fired!”

Desiree *sad*: "Aww do you have to go so soon, I wanted to get to know you better."

Nick: "We can chat some other time, ok?"

Desiree *smiles*: "Sure!"

Nick: "Nice to meet you Desiree. It was great seeing you again Julie. *turns to Lynn* and I'll see you later, Ok Lynn?" *with a charming look in his eyes*

Lynn: "Of course!" *smiles*

Nick *smiles*: "Well then, Good-Bye."

Nick leaves.

Desiree: "Wow, he's pretty cute and he's a real gentleman."

Julie: "Yeah, he is. He's a real nice guy. I wonder why he's still single."

Desiree *laughs*: "Well that will change shortly."

Julie *raises brow*: "What, you think you can get somewhere with him?"

Desiree *smiles menacingly*: "I don't think I can get somewhere with him, I know I can."

Julie: "Wow, you're bad." *laughs* "Well, maybe Lynn can get you a date with him. She's, like, best friends with him."

Desiree *looks at Lynn*: "Really? Will you do that for me Lynn? I promise I'll repay you."

Lynn *sighs*: "Ok, Ok. I'll see what I can do."

Desiree *gets up and gives Lynn a hug*: "Oh thank you! Thank you!"

Lynn: "Yeah, you're welcome."

~~~Next afternoon~~~

(It's Saturday and Nick is up in the life guard tower)

Nick \*looking at a picture of him and Lynn on the beach, thinks to himself\*: "Why? Why can't I let her know how I feel about her? The timing is never right."

There's a knock at the door.

Nick \*looks outside the window and opens it\*  
Lynn is standing there.

Nick \*surprised\*: "Lynn! What are you doing here?"

Lynn \*looking at Nick\*: "I have to tell you something, can you spare a moment?"

Nick: "Of course!" \*smiles\*

Julie and Desiree are at a table on the boardwalk close to the tower. They watch Lynn talk to Nick.

Nick \*looking at Lynn\*: "So what did you need to tell me?"

Lynn \*looks down at her feet

Nick \*watches her body language and senses that something is the matter\*: "Lynn, what is it?"

Lynn \*continues to stare at her feet\*: "I wonder now... if coming here was a mistake."

Nick: "Why?"

Lynn: "I don't know."

Nick: "Come on, you can tell me anything. I'm here for you."

Lynn: "I came here to tell you something, but now I'm thinking, I shouldn't"

Nick \*raises eyebrows\*

Lynn: "Someone I know likes you. She didn't know how to tell you."

Nick \*smiles thinking Lynn is talking about herself\*: "I know how you feel, but you don't have to be afraid." \*he raises her head to face him\* \*he moves closer and kisses Lynn\*

Lynn \*moves away and looks into Nick's ice blue eyes\*: "Nick..." \*blushes and kisses him back\*

Desiree watches Lynn kiss Nick. A tear began to develop in her eye. She turned and ran away and Julie chased after her.

Lynn saw Desiree running away. She tries to go after her but Nick grabs her arm.

Nick: "What was that about?"

Lynn \*looking to the floor\*: "I actually came here to tell you that Desiree likes you, not me. I came here to see if you would go on a date with her, but by the time I got here, I realized that I didn't want you to go out with her, I wanted you to go out with me. I have liked you for the longest time, ever since that day that you saved my life on that beach. I just never knew how to tell you. I'm sorry, I'm being selfish. I



understand if you don't feel the same.”

Nick \*smiles and kissed her once more\*: “I feel the same way.”

Lynn \*smiles and kisses him\*

### 3 - The Decision

~~~At Julie and Lynn's apartment~~~

Desiree *storms in, sits on the couch, and buries her face in a pillow*

Julie *comes in shortly afterward and sits next to Desiree*

Julie: "Dez, don't cry. It will be ok."

Desiree's face is still in the pillow.

Julie *looks at Desiree*: "I just don't understand why Lynn would do that."

Desiree *sits up*: "I don't know, but I know now that me and him would have never worked out. I could see the way he looked at her when they were in the coffee shop yesterday. He had the look of love in his eyes." *she smiles slightly*

Julie *looks at Desiree*

Desiree: "I just never knew your sister was capable of doing something like that. I know I would have just gotten hurt anyway, but if she liked him she could have at least told me before I made myself look like an idiot."

Julie: "Yeah. I'll talk to her when she gets home."

~~~Later that night~~~

Lynn walks in.

Julie is on the couch. She puts down the book she was reading and looks at Lynn.

Lynn \*looks up and sees Julie\* she \*turns and shuts the door\*: "I know what you're going to say, so just go on and say it."

Julie: "I knew you liked Nick. I only realized it before you did. That's why I suggested that you ask him out for Desiree, because I knew if you knew that someone else liked him, that you would realize you liked him yourself."

Lynn \*looks over to Julie\*: "What? Even if I like him, it doesn't change the fact that I hurt Desiree. I'm going to tell him tomorrow, first thing, that I can't go out with him."

Lynn \*goes to her room\*

Julie \*sighs\*: "She won't do it."  
She continues reading.

~~~At a party thrown by one of the other life guards~~~

Nick is on the patio talking on the phone. His feet are rested on top of the outside coffee table as he leans back in the chair.

Lynn looks out the window and sees him. She walks outside.

Nick *looks up and sees Lynn*: "Hey can I call you back later? O.k. Bye." *he hangs up the phone* "Hey Lynn, what's up?"

Lynn *looking down*: "I can't do this."

Nick: "Do what?"

Lynn: "This, with you."

Nick *gasps*: "Why? What are you worried about? If you're afraid I'm going to hurt you, don't be, because I won't."

Lynn: "I know you won't, *she looks up and smiles* but that's not the reason. It's just that I don't feel right hurting Desiree like this. You should be with her. I don't want to ruin what we have going on. Our friendship is too important to me. So, let's just be friends."

Nick: "But, I don't want to be just friends, I want to be more than friends, but if that's what will make you happy, then fine, I'll go out with Desiree. If that's what you truly want."

Lynn *smiles slightly to hide her sadness*: "It is."

Nick: "How about tomorrow night, we'll double date."

Lynn: "But I don't have a date and I don't want to intrude."

Nick: "No you won't intrude. I'm not gonna do it without you."

Lynn: "Fine, I'll go. You just place the guilt right on me huh?"

Nick *laughs*: "Yeah."

Lynn *smiles*: "There is one problem though."

Nick: "What's that?"

Lynn *walks over to the chair next to Nick's and sits down*: "I don't have a date and on such short notice I can't call up someone from my 'little black book.'"

Nick *raises brow*: "You have a little black book? I thought only guys had that."

Lynn *smiles*: "Hey maybe mine is a differnt color, but it's the same concept."

Nick *laughs*: "Ok, ok. Let me think..."

Lynn *watches Nick "think"*

Nick *gets excited*: "Oh! I got it!"

Lynn *stares at him*: "Alright. Who is it?"

Nick: "I have this friend that I think you will like. His name is Charlie. He worked with me as a life guard last summer."

Lynn: "Oh I think I remember him. He's the guy with spikey blonde hair right?"

Nick: "Yeah that's him."

Lynn *smiles*: "Yeah he was cute." *laughs*

Nick *looks at her*: "That's not funny, now I'm gonna find an ugly guy for you." *chuckles*

Lynn: "I'm sorry, I'll go with Charlie." *continues to giggle*

Nick *smiles*: "That's what I thought."

They stop lauging and there is an awkward silence.

Lynn *looks at watch*: "Oh I promised Julie I'd be home early so I...I better get going." *she says in a quiet voice while smiling*

Nick: "All right. I'll see you tomorrow then." *smiles*

Lynn *nods*: "Yeah. See ya!"

Lynn goes back inside the house and out the front door. She gets in her car and drives off.

Nick places his feet back on the coffee table and leans back in his chair staring at the starry sky.

~~~At Lynn's apartment~~~

Desiree and Julie are watching TV.  
Lynn walks in.

Julie \*looks at Lynn\*: "Hey Lynn, how was the party?"

Lynn \*taking her jacket off\*: "Eh...it was alright."

Julie: "So, I'm guessing it wasn't that good then, since you came home early this time."

Lynn: "Yeah heh. I saw Nick there."

Julie: "Did you two talk?"

Lynn: "Yeah, we decided on something."

Julie: "What did you decide on?"

Lynn "I'll tell you later."

Lynn \*walks over to Desiree\*: "Desiree, I wanted to say that I am really and truly sorry."

Desiree: "It's fine, don't worry about it." \*smiles\*

Lynn: "What are you doing tomorrow night?"

Desiree: "Nothing. Why?"

Lynn: "Well, me and Nick were talking and we realized that we don't want to ruin our friendship, so he wants to go on a double date. It will be me, you, Nick, and his friend Charlie. Do you want to go?"

Desiree: "Hmm...I don't know..."

Lynn: "Come on, please? For me?" \*flutters her eyes\*

Desiree \*smiles and rolls her eyes\*: "Fine, when you put it that way, I guess I'll do it."

Lynn: "Yay! Thank you!" \*she gives her a hug\*

Desiree \*smiles\*: "Well, I'm tired now so I'll be going to bed. Night you guys!" \*walks to her room and goes to bed\*

Lynn sits next to Julie and puts her head on her shoulder.

Julie: "I know how you feel right now."

Lynn: "Like a bag of crap?"

Julie: "Well those weren't the exact words I was going to use, but yeah."

Lynn \*sighs\*: "Well, I knew it was the right thing to do."

Julie: "If that's what you think... I think I'm gonna go to bed too. Good-night."

Lynn: "Ok. Night Jules."

Julie \*closes her door and sits on her bed. she thinks to herself\*: "Kids, heh." \*she lays down, closes her eyes and falls asleep\*

Lynn goes to her room and plops herself on the bed. She was unable to sleep because she kept thinking about Nick.

## 4 - The Date

~~~At the restaurant~~~

Nick and Charlie already have a table ready when Lynn and Desiree walk in.

Nick *waves and stands up*

Charlie *stands up*

Nick: "Lynn, Desiree, this is my friend Charlie. Charlie you remember Lynn, and this is her friend Desiree she just got in town a few nights ago."

Charlie *looks at Desiree*: "Nice to meet you Desiree. Lynn, it's good to see you again."

Nick and Charlie both pull out the chair for Lynn and Desiree. They sit down. The waiter brings over the menus and everyone orders their meals and drinks. Charlie is sitting across from Desiree and Lynn is sitting across from Nick.

Charlie: "So Desiree, where are you from?"

Desiree: "Oh, I'm from Seattle. That's where Lynn and Julie used to live before they moved here. I'm just visiting them."

Charlie *smiles*: "That's great!"

Nick *looks at Lynn while Charlie and Desiree are talking*

Lynn *looks at Nick*

Nick *smiles*

Lynn *blushes and smiles back*

Lynn begins to run her foot up and down Nick's pant leg.

Nick *looks at Lynn surprised*

The waiter comes with their food and Lynn puts her foot back down.

~~~After dinner~~~

Nick \*talking to the others\*: "Well it's late. We better be going home."

Lynn \*smiles at Nick\*

Nick \*returns smile\*

Desiree \*looks at the two smiling at each other\*: "You know what, I would actually like to chat with Charlie some more."

Charlie: "Yeah the night is still young."

Desiree \*looking to Nick\*: "Nick, why don't you take Lynn home in your car and I'll take her car and me and Charlie will go get coffee or something."

Lynn \*looks at Desiree\* \*she whispers in her ear\*: "What are you doing?"

Desiree \*winks\*: "Trust me."

Nick: "Well I think that sounds like a good idea. I'll see you later Dez. Bye Charlie."

Desiree: "Bye Nick. See you later Lynn."

Charlie \*waves\*: "Bye you two."

Charlie and Desiree get into the car and drive off.

Nick \*looking at Lynn\*: "Come on, let's go. I want to show you something."

Lynn: "What is it?"

Nick \*smiles\*: "It's a surprise." \*winks\*

Lynn: "Oh I love surprises!"

Nick opens the door for her and gets in the driver's side.

Nick \*looks over to Lynn\*: "You have to close your eyes though or it will ruin the surprise."

Lynn: "Awww, alright."

Nick smiles and Lynn closes her eyes.  
They drive away.



## 5 - The Happy Ending

~~~At "the surprise"~~~

The car stops and Nick gets out to open the door for Lynn.

Nick: "Ok open your eyes." *holds out hand for Lynn to grab*

Lynn *takes Nick's hand*: "Where are we?" *looking around*

Nick: "This is my special place. I come here to vent and escape from reality."

Lynn: "It's beautiful!"

They were on top of a hill that overlooked the entire city. The stars were shining brightly and the moonlight shined through out the starry sky.

Nick opened the trunk to his car and pulled out a blanket, a bottle of champagne, and two glasses. He laid the blanket on the grass and motioned Lynn to join him.

Nick pours the drink into the glasses and gives one to Lynn.

Lynn is looking at the shimmering lights of the city below. She takes a sip of the champagne.
Nick stares at Lynn.

Lynn *notices Nick's stare on her. she turns to him and smiles*: "What is it?"

Nick *looking at Lynn*: "Lynn, about what you said, the whole "let's just be friends" thing."

Lynn *sighs*: "Nick, I thought we were passed this."

Nick: "I know, I just want to say something to you."

Lynn: "Ok. What do you want to tell me?"

Nick *looks down*: "Well, the truth is, I can't live like that anymore. I have tried so hard through out the this year we have known each other, but something draws me to you.*looks at Lynn* I actually think that I-

Lynn *puts her hand over Nick's mouth*: "I know what you are going to say, don't say it."

Nick *removes her hand*: "I love you, Lynn."

Lynn *looking down*: "I was afraid of that."

Nick: "Don't be. *smiles and raises her face to meet his* I won't hurt you." *he is still holding her hand and he kisses it gently*

Lynn *with tears in her eyes*: "How do you know that? How do you know you won't find someone else better than me and just leave? How do you know?"

Nick *wipes the tears from her cheeks*: "I know because there's no one else like you, and you're what I want. I don't want anyone else, but you."

Lynn: "Nick, I--"

Nick *kisses her*

Lynn pulls away and looks into Nick's eyes. She smiles and kisses him back.

~~~At the apartment~~~

Desiree walks in.

Julie is in her room, but hears Desiree walk in. She goes to greet her.

Julie: "Welcome home! Where's Lynn?"

Desiree \*smiles\*: "I thought the two love birds could use a little time alone."

Julie: "Nick and Lynn?"

Desiree: "Yep."

Julie: "So what about you, how you holding up?"

Desiree \*walks over to her room door\*: "I'm fine, they belong with each other. And besides, I met someone else anyway."

Julie: "Who?"

Desiree \*smiles\*: "Charlie."

Julie: "Charlie, hmm....Oh the guy who used to work with Nick as a life guard... Lynn's date."

Desiree \*nods\*: "Yep."

Julie: "Oh he's cute."

Desiree: "Heh, I know. I think I might stay around here a little longer. I'm beginning to like it here."  
\*smiles at Julie and walks into her room and shuts the door\*

Julie \*plops herself on the couch\*: "I knew everything would work out in the end. It's just, now I'm lonely." \*sighs\* "Hey maybe that guy from the pizza place is single." \*picks up phone and dials the pizza place\* "Hi I would like to order a pizza, and can you make sure that Josh delivers it?" \*smiles\*

THE END