

Screenplay

THE DECISION

Sydney and Brian are spending their last few days together at a private school in California where they met and fell in love. They are both exchanged students who live in different countries from one another. They are graduating this year and are deciding what they want to do with their futures. They are currently sitting getting at Starbucks talking everything through.

SYDNEY

Babe, what are we going to do. All i know is that I want to be with you.

BRIAN

I don't know. This is going to be a life changing decision

SYDNEY

We live so far away from each other. How could we even make this work if we aren't physically together?

BRIAN

We could visit each other once in a while?

SYDNEY

Brian, you are putting yourself through private school without your parents help. do you honestly think you can afford to fly to Australia?

BRIAN

Wow, well sorry my parents aren't as wealthy as yours. I am just trying to think of options

SYDNEY

Brian, I meant nothing by that. All I am saying is that its a little unrealistic, thats all.

BRIAN

Ya, your right, just stressed and nervous thats all. I have a great job waiting for me back in Europe, where my whole family is.

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SYDNEY

Are you serious about being with me. With me forever?

BRIAN

Well yes, I think.

SYDNEY

You think? Or you know. This isn't a joke. I need a definite answer.

BRIAN

I know. I know I want to be with you. I want to spend the rest of my life with you.

SYDNEY

So then we need to make a decision. We either stay here, in America. Or have a long distance relationship, which probably won't work.

BRIAN

I am willing to find a job here. My professor said he could help me out. My parents would never forgive me. I don't even know when I would see them again.

SYDNEY

Why don't we try and find a job here, and let our parents know the jobs offered here are better for us than where we are from.

BRIAN

I was never close with my family growing up anyways. I have no siblings, why do you think I chose to go to school in California? This should be a wake-up call for them.

SYDNEY

Don't say that, you shouldn't want to punish them. But, hopefully my parents would understand where I am coming from. All i know is that I cant lose you. I know you are the one for me and you are all I want.

BRIAN

I agree with you syd. You are the reason my time here has been so

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BRIAN (cont'd)
amazing. I am not willing to give
that up. Lets try and find jobs
here and then discuss it with our
parents. Okay?

SYDNEY
Okay. I trust you.

ONE WEEK LATER

SYDNEY
My parents says they won't allow
this. They said I must come home,
if not they will come down here and
get me.

BRIAN
What? Why? What was their
reasoning? Why did you need to tell
them this without anything being
certain?

SYDNEY
Brian, I am close with my family.
Very close. I can't just make this
decision without discussing it with
them. Maybe that is what you would
do, but not me. I need their
support.

BRIAN
Whatever Sydney. I guess none of
this will work. I need some space
to figure things out.

SYDNEY
Space from me?

BRIAN
Yes, space from you. I don't know
what we are going to do.

SYDNEY
Fine. Bye