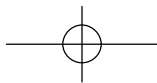
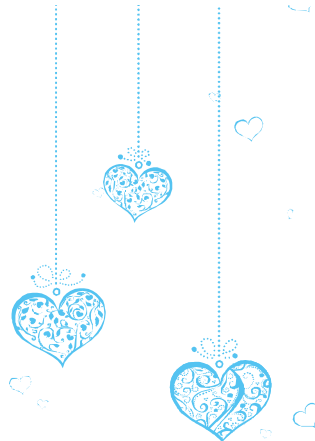


# 世界上最感人的爱情故事



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## Wish upon a star 向星星许愿



爱情，对于我们来说是神圣而不可亵渎的。在结婚之前我们会对未来的另一半有无限的遐想，然而最后你的另一半多数不是你梦想中的吧？因为爱情不是我们凭空想象出来的，它需要我们彼此敞开心扉，付出真心才会拥有。所以，在你前进的道路中，遇见你喜欢的、感觉对的人，要勇敢地去争取。爱情需要积极地争取，而不是一味地退缩。

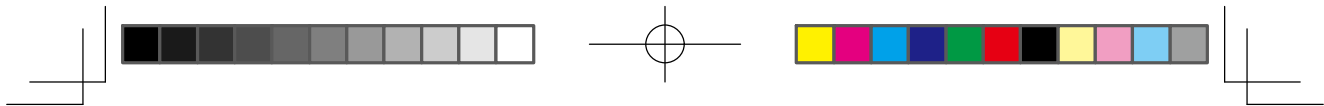
### Let's Begin Reading!

开始阅读吧！

Lisa got divorced from her husband a year ago. Their marriage, which was apparently everything about love and trust, did end rather quickly – in less than four years. The love that had been there in the beginning did waned away so quickly that Lisa almost wondered if it had ever been there in the first place. However, what did made her forget the bitter experience was her little kid Rob. The baby was the sole joy to her life.

Rob was her world, and they shared a bond that was simply beautiful. Lisa didn't want just about anyone to be added to their duo and, moreover, the dating prospects in that small town seemed rather bleak. Besides, she





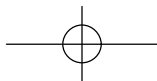
wasn't even sure if a man would be interested in forming a real relationship with a 32-year-old mother. Most of the dates she had were just too casual.

Lisa's best friend from school Lou was flying down from China. Lisa so wanted to spend some time with her. They haven't had a chance to meet for years and she knew that she owed it to her. Occupying her parents as babysitters for little Rob, Lisa left for the family lake house with her gang of girls. Their only plan was to eat, drink, splash around, talk, and just relax for the weekend.

Friday was spent almost lazing around the cottage. On Saturday afternoon, Lisa and her friends did decide to go to the lake. Dressed in it'sy-bitsy bikinis, as they neared the lake, they saw boats all lined by the harbor. There was blaring music and people were hopping from one boat onto another. Some others floated in the water, and inner tubes, with beers in their hand. Lisa wondered how she would survive in the midst of all this. Their boat Merrigold was received with hoots from the crowd.

They were thinking where to anchor their boat when they saw a few tanned men waving towards them from on a nearby boat. They seemed quite sober. Lisa did not know why! But those guys helped them by taking their boat to the middle. One among of them happened to catch her eyes. He had beer mugs in each of his hand. Offering one at Lisa, he queried for her name. "Lisa. And yours?" "Bran," he replied, bowing down before her. Lisa almost burst into giggles.

Amidst all the chaos, they were already started with a conversation while most of the others got themselves busy dancing. The two soon realized that there were hardly any similarities to both of them. While Bran was a hard-core meat eater; Lisa was a pure vegetarian. She had graduated at the top of her college. Bran took three years to complete, focusing more on basketball



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instead of his studies. He had a drawl; while Lisa spoke with the correct diction of a very sophisticated lady. However, both were continuously drawn back into a conversation with one another. There was a definite mutual attraction between the two...

When it was their time to go, Bran said he wanted to take her out for lunch. For Lisa, Bran was certainly attractive and fun, but she wasn't sure if he was her type. Nevertheless, she decided to spend some time with him.

Before their first date, Lisa did tell him about Rob, the most important person in her life. Just so as to allow Bran a chance to retract his date invitation. It wouldn't have been fair to Bran. His only response to this was, "That's fine with me. I was raised by a single mum, too."

They started going out for movies, shopping and parties regularly. "Bran, well, I am dating other people," Lisa told him one day. "Not an issue," Bran replied, "Lisa! I want you to know I'm not." Lisa was little surprised hearing this. Never once did Bran had questioned her about her other dates.

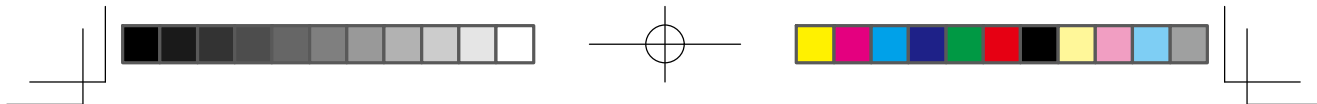
Three months later, Lisa finally decided it was time to let Rob and Bran meet. Bran became the only one of all her dates that she wanted to meet her son. Rob was too young and she certainly didn't want any men coming in and out of Rob's life. Bran's confident personality convinced Lisa that he was the right man and even the time was right too.

At Lisa's house to meet Rob, Bran had carried gifts of cars, trains and car-themed books. From his conversations with Lisa, he knew that Rob enjoyed anything that moved – trains, trucks and cars. Rob had been hiding in his room before, but almost as he saw the gifts he ran towards his mum's friend. Little Rob was simply thrilled. He had never been gifted with so many toys together. He even asked Bran to read him from the books. They sat together on that couch, reading – just as a father and a son.

Later they went for a little walk around the park; his mum would usually



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take him to. That day, Rob and Bran decided to get down into the creek, fishing for stones, laughing and exploring. Soon, Lisa was forgotten!

The first meeting could not have been better than this. Against her better judgment, Lisa already began thinking of them together as a family.

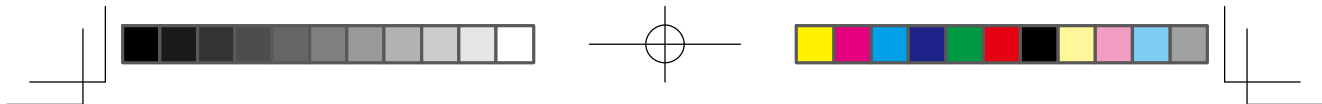
In the months that followed, the three of them spent a lot of happy time together. Bran changed Rob's diapers; read for him and also taught him to play basketball. Whenever they went out together Bran was the one to push little Rob's baby walker around. Between all of this, Bran made love to Lisa, madly and passionately, just about at any time Rob wasn't there.

It was not as frequent like most couples did, but Bran never did complain. He was somehow patient and kind. The very quality in him that had won Lisa over. Bran was exactly the person she ever needed. There wasn't anything artificial about him and he remained just the same even when he was with his set of friends. Lisa actually had never quite met anyone like him before.

Once on a trip to the mountains, after almost a year of being friends, Bran proposed to her. Much like a reflex, Lisa shouted, "Of course!" Their marriage took place in the same mountain tops. The priest was there too. Little Rob in a black suit looked incredibly handsome as he gave his mum away to his beloved Bran. The exchanged vows between them had been written by themselves.

Bran told her that he had loved her all his life and that even before he met her, he knew she would come along. For her part, Lisa said he was much more than the man of her dreams. When the ceremony was over, Rob handed her a bunch of buttercups he himself had picked. Cute indeed!

Lisa tucked them into her wedding bouquet. And with this all the three of them smilingly walked down the hilltop towards their lives in togetherness.



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丽莎一年前与她的丈夫离婚。不到四年，他们那基于爱和信任而建立的婚姻，就宣告结束了。爱离去的速度让丽莎不敢肯定，它是否曾经被摆在首位过。然而，她的孩子罗布使她忘记了痛苦的经历。孩子是她一生中唯一的喜悦。

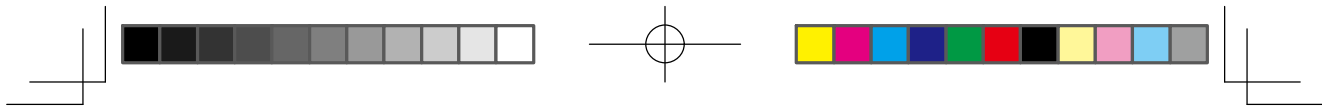
罗布是她的整个世界，他们两个组成一个简单的家。丽莎不希望任何人加入到他们两人的生活中。而且，在小城镇的约会可能相当无望。此外，她甚至没有把握是否会有人想与一个 32 岁的母亲结婚。所以很多时候，她约会时的穿着都很随意。

丽莎在学校最好的朋友 Lou，从中国飞过来。丽莎想多花一些时间陪她，她们已经有很多年没见面了。所以，丽莎请她的父母照看小罗布，自己去找那帮朋友。她们唯一的计划是吃、喝、玩、聊天，度过一个放松的周末。

周五他们几乎把所有的时间都花在乡间小屋。周六下午，丽莎和她的朋友决定去湖边，她们穿着可爱的比基尼。当她们靠近湖，看到海港两旁停泊的船，船上有刺耳的音乐，有人从一艘船跳到另一艘，有的人套着游泳圈漂浮在水中，手中拿着啤酒。丽莎不敢相信自己在这一切中生活。在她们的船上可以听到人群的喧嚣。

正当她们思考在哪里停泊她们的船时，看到几个皮肤黝黑的男子从附近的小船上向她们挥手。那几个人看起来似乎很严肃，丽莎不知道为什么！但那些家伙把他们的船划到湖中间，给她们腾出来了一个停泊的位置。他们中的一个男人，正巧和丽莎的视线交会。他的手上拿着啤酒杯，递给丽莎一个，并询问她的名字。“丽莎。你呢？”他屈身在她面前回答道：“布兰”，丽莎几乎咯咯笑出来。

在一片混乱中，他们开始交谈，而其他的大多数人都忙着跳舞。很快两人都意识到，他们几乎没有任何相似之处。布兰是一个绝对的肉食者，



而丽莎是一个纯粹的素食主义者；丽莎以优异的成绩从大学毕业，布兰花了三年才完成，并且他专注于篮球，而不是他的研究；他是说话慢慢吞吞的小伙，而丽莎是一个口齿伶俐的成熟女士。然而，两人却都不断被彼此的对话所吸引。显然，他们都被彼此吸引了。

到了要离去的时候，布兰说他想带她出去吃午饭。对丽莎而言，布兰无疑是有吸引力和有情趣的，但她不确定他是不是她喜欢的类型。不过，她决定花些时间陪他。

他们第一次约会之前，丽莎就跟他提到了罗布，这个在她生命中最重要的人。她这样做是给布兰机会收回他的约会邀请，因为她感觉这对布兰是不公平的。但他唯一的回应是：“对于我来说这很好。我也是被一个单身妈妈抚养长大的。”

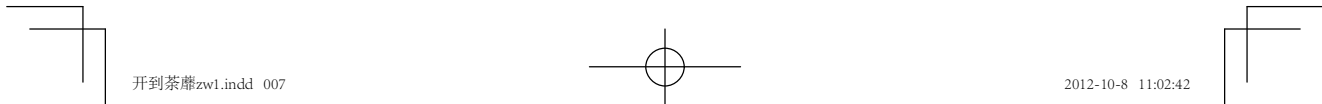
然后他们开始一起看电影、购物和定期见面。有一天丽莎告诉他：“布兰，我和其他人在约会。”布兰回答：“这不成问题，丽莎！我想让你知道我没有跟其他人约会。”听到这个丽莎有点惊讶，布兰从来没有询问过她的其他约会。

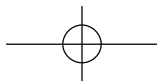
三个月后，丽莎终于决定让罗布和布兰见面。由于布兰成为她唯一的约会对象，所以她想让他见见儿子。罗布还太小，她当然不希望别的男人进进出出罗布的生活。布兰的自信使丽莎相信他是合适的人选，甚至时间也是正确的。

布兰在丽莎的房子里见到罗布，布兰带来了汽车、火车和以汽车为主题的书籍。从他与丽莎的谈话中，他知道罗布喜欢任何可以移动的东西，比如：火车，卡车和轿车。刚开始罗布一直躲藏在自己的房间，但当他看到那些礼物的时候，他就跑向他妈妈的朋友。小罗布很高兴，因为他从未拥有过这么多的玩具。他甚至还让布兰读书给他听。他们坐在一起在沙发上阅读，就像一个父亲和一个儿子。

后来他们去附近公园里散散步，以前他的妈妈通常会带他去。那一天，罗布和布兰决定去小溪，用石头捕鱼，欢笑、探险。不久，丽莎被遗忘了！

第一次见面的情况再好不过了，丽莎已经开始幻想他们一起组成一个





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家庭。

在接下来的几个月中，他们三个人一起度过了很多欢乐时光。布兰给罗布换尿布，读书给他听，还和他一块打篮球。每当他们一起出去，布兰就是那个推小罗布的婴儿学步车的人。而罗布不在的时候，布兰与丽莎就疯狂地做爱。

虽然这不像大多数夫妻那样频繁，但布兰从来没有抱怨。他的耐心与善良，他的人品赢得了丽莎的心。丽莎觉得布兰正是她需要的人。他从来没有撒谎过，即使与朋友在一起时也一样。事实上丽莎之前从来没有遇见像他这样的人。

他们做了近一年的朋友，在一次爬山之旅后，布兰向她求婚。丽莎条件反射地喊道：“当然！”他们的婚礼就在那个山顶举行，牧师也去了那里。小罗布一身黑色西装看上去很英俊，他把他心爱的妈妈交给布兰。他们交换了自己写的誓言。

布兰告诉她，他要用一生去爱她，甚至在他遇见她之前，他就知道她会来的。丽莎说，他比她梦想中的人好很多。当仪式结束后，罗布递给丽莎一串他自己摘的毛茛。实在是可爱！

丽莎把它塞进她的新娘花束。捧着花束，他们一家三口微笑着走下山顶，走向未来和睦美好的生活。

## Sentence Analysis

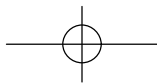
跟着句子学英文

✿ ...she wasn't even sure if a man would be interested in forming a real relationship with a 32-year-old mother...

Be interested in 这个我们经常用到，意思是“对……感兴趣”，后面加名词或代词的宾格作宾语。例如：I think you may be interested in our new product. 我想贵公司可能会对我们的新产品感兴趣。

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但是如果把“in”去掉，这个意思就变为“有兴趣”。例如：Tonight I want to eat out, would you be interested? 今晚我想出去吃晚饭，你有兴趣一起来吗？后面可以不再加名词或者代词。

✿ they were already started with a conversation while most of the others got themselves busy dancing

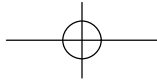
Start with，意思是“以……开始”，一般指以某个事物开始。后边一般接名词或者动词的ing形式。例如：Start with the rescue plan. 以营救计划开始。

如果把“with”换作“from”，那么意思就变为“从……开始”，这里指从某人、某时、某地开始。例如：He is going to start from Seattle. 他将从西雅图出发。

## New Words

生词理解更透彻

New Words	More
<b>experience</b> [ik'spiəriəns] <i>n.</i> 经验；经历 <i>vt.</i> 经验；体验	experience curve 经验曲线 work experience 工作经历 They still lacked experience. 他们经验还不足。
<b>cottage</b> ['kɒtɪdʒ] <i>n.</i> 小屋；村舍	thatched cottage 茅草屋 My friend bought a cottage last year. 我的一个朋友去年买了一座小屋。
<b>burst</b> [bɜːst] <i>vi.</i> 爆发，爆炸 <i>vt.</i> 突发；爆炸； <i>n.</i> 爆发，突发；爆炸	burst into 闯入 burst out 突然发生 The storm burst and we all got wet. 暴风雨突然袭来，我们都淋湿了。
<b>correct</b> [kə'rekt] <i>vt.</i> 改正；告诫 <i>vi.</i> 调整；纠正错误； <i>adj.</i> 正确的；恰当的；端正的	correct response 正确答案 correct errors 改正错误 Do you have the correct time? 你知道正确的时间吗？



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<b>personality</b> [ˌpɜːsəˈnæləti] <i>n.</i> 个性；品格；名人	healthy personality 健康人格 multiple personality 多重人格 What kind of personality do you think you have? 你认为你有哪些性格方面的特点？
<b>creek</b> [kri:k] <i>n.</i> 小溪；小湾	Dubai Creek 迪拜河 This creek mouths into the sea. 这条小河注入到大海里。
<b>against</b> [əˈɡenst, əˈgeɪnst] <i>prep.</i> 反对，违反；靠；倚；防备； <i>adj.</i> 不利的；对立的	struggle against 与...作斗争 stand against 抵抗 The patient feels discriminated against. 病人觉得受到了歧视。
<b>passionately</b> [ˈpæʃənɪtli] <i>adv.</i> 热情地；强烈地；激昂地	passionately African 热情非洲 This newspaper believes passionately in the principle of free markets. 这份报纸对自由市场的原则饱含热情，笃信不疑。
<b>exactly</b> [ɪɡˈzæktli] <i>adv.</i> 恰好地；正是；精确地	exactly alike 一模一样 select exactly 正确择业 That, I think, was exactly his aim. 我认为，这正是他的目的所在。
<b>incredibly</b> [ɪnˈkredəbli] <i>adv.</i> 难以置信地；非常地	incredibly strong 很强壮 These are incredibly exciting times for space exploration. 现在是太空探索史上令人兴奋无比的时代。

## Extension Knowledge

学得更多！

- ✿ Don't try so hard, the best things come when you least expect them to.  
不要着急，最好的总会在最不经意的时候出现。
- ✿ Don't waste your time on a man/woman, who isn't willing to waste their time on you.  
不要为那些不愿在你身上花费时间的人而浪费你的时间。
- ✿ The one you love also loves you. This is a miracle. And the god names this as falling in love with each other.

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