

We've Been Hoping For a Romantic Trip

JULIA- So, 1) _____ was New York City? Did you and Carl get to 2) _____ each other better?

MAYA- Yes, but it wasn't as I imagined. 3) _____ since Carl invited me, I 4) _____ (mark) the days 5) _____ the calendar. I 6) _____ (hope) for a romantic trip, but Lucy decided to come too. I 7) _____ (worry) it might not turn out well 8) _____.

JULIA- And did it? Did she 9) _____ the trip?

MAYA- Not really. On the third night, Carl and I made a dinner 10) _____. I 11) _____ (encourage) Lucy to try the local 12) _____, hoping we would have dinner on our 13) _____. But she ended up 14) _____ the same restaurant! She said she 15) _____ (walk) around trying to find a street 16) _____, but none were tempting 17) _____. We 18) _____ (enjoy) our time together so much 19) _____ she arrived.

JULIA- Did you get any time 20) _____ with Carl?

MAYA- I tried. I waited for Carl to get up 21) _____ the table and I told Lucy I 22) _____ (look) forward to spending time with him. She nodded and said she 23) _____ (watch) us together and we seemed 24) _____ a perfect match. She had 25) _____ for a Broadway show, so she left because she didn't want to be 26) _____.

JULIA- That 27) _____ promising. What happened next?

MAYA- Later, Carl and I went for a walk 28) _____ the Hudson. We 29) _____ (dream) of seeing the Statue of Liberty 30) _____ up at night. We 31) _____ (walk) for some time when Carl took my hand. He 32) _____ (lean) in to kiss me when Lucy called. She asked 33) _____ Carl and I were, so I told 34) _____. Carl 35) _____ (get) more and more irritated 36) _____ Lucy, but that was 37) _____ much for him.

JULIA- So, did you kiss at all?

MAYA- Yes, but 38) _____ accident. The next day Lucy wanted to go to Central Park. She saw a carousel, thought that it would be fun 39) _____ all of us to 40) _____ it. I 41) _____ (hope) for a romantic kiss story, but while getting 42) _____ her horse, Lucy tripped and pushed me—straight 43) _____ Carl. That's when we kissed.

JULIA- Wow, so I guess Lucy was with you the 44) _____ time.

MAYA- Yes, she's a great friend and I'm sure she meant 45) _____. But good intentions can sometimes do more 46) _____ than good. Next time I plan a romantic trip, I'll make 47) _____ I don't tell 48) _____ about it.