

A High School Romance

Lily and Jake had always seen each other in the hallways of Riverside High School, but they had never really spoken. Lily was a quiet, thoughtful girl who spent most of her time with her small group of friends, while Jake was more outgoing, often seen joking with his friends and playing on the soccer team. Though they didn't know it, both had noticed each other from a distance.



One afternoon, after school, they were both waiting for the bus when Jake approached her. He had noticed her reading a book he liked. "Hey, I've read that one. It's great, isn't it?" Jake said, smiling. Lily looked up, surprised, but smiled back and agreed. They started talking about the book, and before the bus arrived, they had exchanged numbers.

From that day, they began texting each other often. They talked about their favorite books,

movies, and even shared stories about their families. Jake had always admired Lily's intelligence and kindness, and Lily found herself drawn to Jake's sense of humor and warmth. A few weeks later, Jake finally asked Lily if she wanted to go out sometime. She said yes, and they planned their first date at a small café in town.

On the day of the date, Jake arrived early, feeling both nervous and excited. He had never felt this way about anyone before. When Lily walked in, wearing a simple dress and a bright smile, Jake couldn't help but feel that he was the luckiest guy in the world. They spent hours at the café, talking and laughing as if they had known each other for years.

After a few more dates, Jake knew he had to tell Lily how he truly felt. One evening, they went for a walk by the river, where Jake had planned to confess his feelings. As they stood watching the sunset, Jake turned to Lily and said, "I've been thinking about this for a while... I really like you, Lily. More than just as a friend."

Lily smiled softly and replied, "I like you too, Jake. I've liked you for a long time." They both felt a sense of relief and joy at finally admitting their feelings. Since that evening, their relationship became stronger. They continued to date throughout high school, attending dances together, studying for exams, and making memories.

Now, looking back, Jake often says that talking to Lily that afternoon by the bus stop was the best decision he had ever made. They have both grown since then, but their bond has remained strong, built on shared experiences and the love they discovered for each other.



Answer with just one word to the following questions

1. What was the name of the girl in the story?
2. Where did they first properly talk?
3. What was the common interest that started their conversation?
4. How did Jake feel on the day of their first date?
5. Where did they go for their first official date?
6. Where did Jake confess his feelings to Lily?
7. What was Lily wearing when she arrived for the first date?
8. What activity did they do together while dating in high school?
9. What does Jake consider the best decision he ever made?
10. What is their relationship built on?

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Choose the correct answer according to the definition on the right

1. () Thoughtful girl
2. () They had exchanged numbers
3. () Drawn to Jake's sense of humor
4. () Feeling both nervous and excited
5. () The luckiest guy in the world
6. () As if they had known each other for years
7. () Confess his feelings
8. () A sense of relief and joy
9. () Attending dances together
10. () The best decision he had ever made

- A.** To admit or say something personal that is difficult to say.
- B.** A natural feeling of comfort and connection from the beginning.
- C.** A common high school activity for couples mentioned in the story.
- D.** She is the kind of person who thinks deeply about things.
- E.** An idiom expressing extreme happiness and fortune.
- F.** They shared their phone contacts to communicate later.
- G.** The mixed emotions Jake felt before his first date.
- H.** The emotional result after being honest and accepted.
- I.** To be attracted to or interested in someone's personality.
- J.** Jake's later reflection on starting the conversation

Read the text carefully and choose the best answer for each question.

- 1) What is the main reason Jake first approaches Lily?
 - a) He thinks she is pretty.
 - b) He needs to borrow her phone.
 - c) He recognizes the book she is reading.
 - d) He wants to introduce her to his friends.
- 2) According to the text, where did their first significant conversation take place?
 - a) In the school hallway
 - b) At the soccer field
 - c) At the bus stop
 - d) In a small café
- 3) How did Lily and Jake stay in contact after their first meeting?
 - a) They met every day after school.
 - b) They began texting each other often.
 - c) They sent letters through the mail.
 - d) They talked only at school.
- 4) What did Jake admire about Lily?
 - a) Her sense of humor and warmth.
 - b) Her athletic skills.
 - c) Her intelligence and kindness.
 - d) Her outgoing personality.



- 5) Where did they go for their first official date?
- a) To a soccer game
 - b) To the river
 - c) To the school dance
 - d) To a small café
- 6) How did Jake feel on the day of their first date?
- a) Nervous and excited.
 - b) Calm and confident.
 - c) Bored and tired.
 - d) Indifferent and relaxed.
- 7) Where did Jake choose to confess his deeper feelings to Lily?
- a) At the bus stop
 - b) During a walk by the river
 - c) At the school library
 - d) In the school hallway
- 8) What was Lily's reaction to Jake's confession?
- a) She was surprised and needed time to think.
 - b) She told him she only liked him as a friend.
 - c) She admitted that she had liked him for a long time too.
 - d) She laughed and changed the subject.
- 9) What activity is NOT mentioned as something they did together during high school?
- a) Attending dances
 - b) Studying for exams
 - c) Playing on the soccer team together
 - d) Making memories
- 10) Looking back, what does Jake consider his "best decision"?
- a) Joining the soccer team.
 - b) Asking Lily to go for a walk by the river.
 - c) Talking to Lily at the bus stop that afternoon.
 - d) Planning their first date at the café.

