

SOMEONE ELSE'S KISS

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INT. BUS STATION WAITING ROOM - DAY

JOHN and SARAH (30) are sitting on a bench in the station. There's a suitcase on the floor. John looks at Sarah and he's about to say something, but he finally remains silent. Sarah notices that John is looking at her.

SARAH
Do you feel sorry to leave?

JOHN
Yes. And you?

SARAH
What?

JOHN
If you feel... nothing.

John taps his fingers on the suitcase. Now Sarah looks at him.

JOHN
I wish I could stay here forever,
really.

SARAH
You can't stay forever in a bus
station.

JOHN
I know.

They laugh.

JOHN
But I wish I could.

SARAH
You were very kind to come over.
And it's been a beautiful couple of
days. Right?

John looks at Sarah in a different way, as if he had suddenly found the courage he needed.

JOHN
Yes, I didn't expect something like
this. I didn't expect to find...

MARTHA (O.S.)
I got it!

MARTHA (30) suddenly appears carrying a pack. She gives it to John.

MARTHA
You thought I had forgotten about
your present? Well, no.

JOHN
But Martha, I haven't bought
you anything...

John opens the package. It's a tie.

INT. BUS STATION WAITING ROOM - LATER

John is wearing the tie, misplaced over his t-shirt. The three of them are standing.

MARTHA
Come on, go. You're going to miss
the bus.

She kisses John on the lips. An ordinary kiss like others she's given him a thousand times before.

John looks at Sarah. He stays still.

JOHN
Well...

SARAH
Goodbye, John.

Sarah gives him a kiss on the cheek. A friendly kiss, but they both shudder.

John walks away, looking back at the girls.

INT. BUS STATION HANGAR - LATER

John is by the bus door, but he doesn't get in. There's a MAN and other people behind him, waiting. John is lost in thought. He touches his cheek, where Sarah kissed him.

MAN BEHIND JOHN
Hey, you going up or not?

John comes to. He turns and looks at the man.

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