

Breathless, an entry in LSF's 50 Kisses Competition, June
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INT.HOUSE.DAY.

VALENTINE'S DAY, a woman's hand holds an envelope on which is a love heart and the name 'ROBBIE'. The owner of the hand slides the envelope under a bedroom door, there is the sound of an envelope being opened, a brief pause, and the bedroom door flies open. Trainer clad feet thunder down the stairs.

CUT TO:

INT.HALLWAY.DAY.

ROBBIE'S MUM appears in the doorway to the kitchen holding a frying pan. A figure blurs past her accompanied by the noise of a racing car at full speed. Robbie's Mum's hair blows in the back draft created by the figure, the front door to the house slams shut.

CUT TO:

EXT.STREET.DAY.

A Young boy - ROBBIE, 8 or 9 - runs holding the card. The faces of three girls appear around him accompanied by their names, EMILY, MINDY and SAM. He is wearing a t-shirt on which is a large question mark, he arrives at a house.

CUT TO:

INT.A HOUSE.DAY.

A knock at the door, EMILY opens the door and sees ROBBIE stood there. He shows her the card hopefully, she shakes her head and closes the door.

CUT TO:

INT.HAIRDRESSERS.DAY.

ROBBIE enters to see MINDY in the hairdresser's chair. Her hair is covered in foil wraps, a manicurist fusses over her fingernails. ROBBIE looks at Mindy as she holds a mobile phone to her ear, then at the cheery home made nature of the card. ROBBIE exits.

CUT TO:

EXT.FOOTBALL PITCH.DAY.

ROBBIE runs onto the football pitch as a game of mixed football is in progress. He stops in front of SAM who is dribbling the football purposefully. He holds up the card hopefully, there is a thud followed by a squelch.

CUT TO:

INT.HOUSE.DAY.

ROBBIE'S MUM opens the door to ROBBIE who is covered in mud. Her hands match those of the woman from the opening scene. ROBBIE holds up the card, she smiles and shakes her head.

CUT TO:

EXT.STREET.DAY.

Tired from running, ROBBIE sits sadly on the kerb. A young GIRL wearing glasses with hair in bunches sits down beside him and gently touches his hand.

CUT TO:

EXT.HOUSE.DAY.

Flashback, GIRL posts the card through Robbie's letterbox.

CUT TO:

EXT.STREET.DAY.

ROBBIE runs away, a caption and arrow indicates that the girl's name is FREYA. ROBBIE arrives at a shop, leaving seconds later and runs back in the direction he came from. He arrives back at FREYA who is sat sadly on the kerb and hands her an envelope. Exhausted, ROBBIE bends double and gasps for air. FREYA opens the envelope and pulls out a card with the words, 'You make me breathless' on it. FREYA gives ROBBIE a peck on the cheek. PICTURE FADES.

ROBBIE
(voice over - panting)
Wanna play Mario Karts?

THE END