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Before You Leave

Before saying goodbye
tenderly kiss me
let me know, when you're gone
you will greatly miss me

Safely enclose me
in your warm embrace
slowly slide your hands up
and confine my face

Press up against me
fit our bodies together
each time you touch me
my heart floats like a feather

Don't back away
hold me all night
wrapped up in your arms
is what feels so right

Embrace me safely
with your gentle care
kiss me with love
and always be there

Endure the affection
and follow your heart
pull me in firmly
no one can pull us apart

Before you draw back
and leave for the night
pull me close to you
and hold me tight

With your parting kiss
and the taste of your lips
I'll wait for the feeling
of our adjoining hips

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Deserving

I had friends to take care of me
and family too
but i never expected
to also have you

You're not what i'm used to-
a guy that'll care-
and somehow i think
that it's not really fair

I know of girls
that date one guy for years
and all they got for it
is wasted tears

and these are all girls
who deserve something good
but for some unknown reason
they don't think that they should

and if they don't deserve it
then why should i?
Not that i'm complaining
cuz i've got the best guy!

But why do i get it?
What did i do?
I guess all i can say is
i don't want to lose you

So i'll cling to you
and not let you get away
cuz you are my world
and my light of each day

And though you are mine
and you say you won't leave
there's just one thing
I can't seem to believe

I can't believe that you're human
cuz you are too sweet
and each day that i'm with you,
you sweep me off my feet.

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Did You Know

Did you know when we met
we'd end up like this?
Did you know on our first date
we'd share our first kiss?
Did you know, in a little time
you'd heal my broken heart?
Did you know by now
we'd never want to part?
Did you know, when i looked in your eyes
i could feel my heart melt?
Did you know over time
i'd feel a love like i've never felt?
Did you know i'd feel this way?
That i'm in true love with you?
I never expected this,
to ever feel this way,
and you need to know-
i have something to say:
I love you so much
and that's how it'll always be
and all i ask, honey
is that you feel the same for me.

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Dreaming

Their car flew forward
right into a tree
the engine caught fire
they couldn't get free!

They burned alive
inside their car
my wish came true
on the first star

They had it coming-
they started the fight
i said i was sorry
with all of my might

They didn't accept it
they ignored me that day
so i said whatever
what could i say?

I was glad it happened
it seems pretty sick
but it's their fault
it's what they picked

I smile with joy
for how real it seemed,
but i open my eyes-
it was all a dream.

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Dying

You tell me you love me
but you pull away
you don't realize it kills me
slowly each day

You hold my hand
but you turn your head
and you think this helps
but i'm already dead

As this goes on
and again my heart breaks
i pretend it's not so
with all that it takes

I pretend that you love me
as i love you
but i'll continue to die
until this comes true.

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Fairy Tale

Some girls want a fairy tale
they want a dream come true
but darling the thing i want
is a long life with you

I want to wake up every day
to your loving face
i want to crawl out of bed
after a warm embrace

I want to wake up children
after a peaceful time with you
i want to hold you close
if just for a moment or two.

I want to come home each day
and work with you side by side
i want us to both be parents
that our children can confide

I want to help with homework
or help you after a bad day
I'd hold your hand, kiss your lips
and whatever else you say

I want to put our kids to bed
and lay with you awhile;
just knowing that they're ours
will always make me smile

I want to be swept off to bed
where it'll be just you and me
i'll curl up in your arms
and finally be carefree

And no matter if we fool around
or i just fall asleep with you
i guess the main thing i can say
is you are my dream come true

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First Impression

When i first met you
my breath caught
and i wondered
what you thought

I wanted to claim you
to say you were with me
but i never thought
that could ever be

I thought you'd see through me
and ignore me completely
so it was a great shock
when you treated me so sweetly

You weren't what i expected
you are so much more
and i think that's one reason
it's you i adore

I remember you there
staring in the fire
and to say i didn't fall then
would make me a liar

I wanted to see you
as often as i could
but i never thought
that i really would

But i saw you again
and i took a chance
to be with you
and start a romance

And the more i was with you
the more i could tell
that i really did fall
under your spell.

I hoped you felt it
and wanted it too-
to want me exclusively
like i wanted you

Then you asked something
that made my heart dance
did i want a summer fling
or a long term romance?

I wanted you long term
and i have to say
when you finally asked me
was my happiest day!

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Goodbye

Goodbye my darling
it's time i set you free
fair well my love
it's time you part from me

Don't keep looking
i'll always be right here
but just keep walking
you can no longer hold me near

I know what we've been through
but the time has come and passed
i know that i love you
but this feeling cannot last

Please darling, keep on walking
please don't ever look back
and please God, save me
I'm having a heart attack

Darling keep on going
you deserve so much more
don't turn around, don't see me
dying on the floor

You can do so much better
and it's time you left to look
but wait, one more thing
please give the love you took

Now leave me forever
go find your true love.
Oh God in heaven!
Oh dear Lord above!

I think my heart is breaking
but it's time for him to leave
but, Lord, i don't want him to
and i know i'm gonna grieve

Tell him to keep walking
tell him it's what's right
but tell him if he turns around
i'll be waiting through the night

Help me pick up the pieces
help me hide my tears
i know i kept him too long
and for too many years

So i ask You one more thing
as time pulls us apart
please let him remember me
and keep my shattered heart.

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Hiding

Don't let it show
don't imagine the pain
don't let him know
as your tears fall like rain

Just close your eyes
and lay down your head
stifle your cries
though your heart is now dead

Think back for awhile
to a different place
when he made you smile
and it made your heart race

Pretend it still does
act like you still do
do this because
someday it might be true

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I Love You More

You say you love me
and you promise it's true
what you don't realize
is how much i love you

I love you more
than the stars in the sky
i love you more
than how high birds can fly

I love you more
than time can tell
i'll love you more
come heaven or hell

I love you more
than the depths of the sea
and i love you more
than you say you love me.

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I Thank God

I thank God for the little things:
the moon, the stars, the sun,
I thank God for everyone
and everything He's done

I thank God for who i am
and the person i've become
I thank God for who's in my life
and that i'm safer than some

I thank God for my family
and how they're always there
I thank God that they raised me
and how they'll always care

I thank God for all my friends
and the trust they have in me
I thank God for my happiness
that's now so easy to see

I thank God for the gift of life
adn that it's good and pure
I thank God for who's in mine
to make me safe and sure

I thank God for the gift of love
and what it means to me
I thank God for how our love felt
when you set my heart free

I thank God for my favorite gift
a special gift, it's true
I thank God for this special gift
and that special gift is you

I thank God that you're by my side;
that our hearts have become one
I thank God that i have you now
for my love will never be done

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Kiss Me

Kiss me with passion
or tender care
kiss me with promises
that you'll always be there

Kiss me with love
or to make my heart dance
kiss me with promises
always full of romance

Kiss me so gently
or with heart-stopping might
kiss me with promises
that will last through the night

Kiss me for hours
or until our stop sign
kiss me with promises
that you'll always be mine

Kiss me wrapped up
and safe by your side
kiss me with promises
that we'll never hide

Kiss me so deeply
or in a warm embrace
kiss me with promises
that'll make my heart race

Kiss me so rough
or light and mild
kiss me with promises
that'll make me go wild

Kiss me, very calm
or to let your love show
but kiss me with promises
that you'll never let go!

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Lead Me

We start out so simply,
you just hold out your hand
and you slowly lead me
into a wonderland.

We start kind of shakey
but soon time can tell
we mesh together
and i'm under your spell

With our bodies colliding
touching then pulling apart
i look in your eyes
and i give you my heart

With your arms wrapped around me
and moving as one
i didn't know, this
could be so much fun

With eyes just for you
in the dimming light
i realize, though tired
i could do this all night

But, love, let's take a break
i can barely go anymore
just give me a minute
then we can dance some more.

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Light

At the end of the week
when i see your sweet face
i realize i love you
and it makes my heart race

With smiles and laughter
with a love i can't hide
i'll curl up beside you
and cling to your side

Wrapped up in your arms
or embraced with a kiss
i can't seem to show you
how much you were missed

Each night that i'm with you
and can look in your eyes
lonely memories are thought of
then each swiftly dies

But at the very end
with that parting remark
i look forward to next time
and the week's not so dark

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Lonely

I cry into my pillows
late into the night
because all i want
is you to hold me tight

But you can't show up
(you can't or you won't?)
i don't know if you want to
but i know that you don't

When sleep finally comes
and dreams pull me to their care
i rest a little easier
knowing you are there

But dreams can't last forever
and what my heart made
to lull me to sleep
will begin to fade

As i wake up
adn don't remember anymore
i hear, somewhere, softly
someone's closing a door

I pray long and hard
hoping it's you
but the thought of you here
is too good to be true

And this becomes real
when i hear a soft 'hi'
knowing it's not you
i again softly cry

I drift off again
praying the week goes fast
because, if it doesn'
I don't think my heart'll last.

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Love

I love the way you hold me
I love the way you care
I love the way you look at me
and how you're always there

I love the way you kiss me
and how you hold me tight
I love the way you make me laugh
when we talk all night

I love the way i don't have to act
I love that there's nothing to hide
I love the way you grab my hand
and pull me to your side

I love the way you wrap me up
I love the way you touch me
I love the way my heart floats now
because you've set it free

I love the way that i feel loved
I love that i don't cry
I love the way my doubt's erased
and you don't have to try

I love the way i trust you
I love the way you grin
I love the way i feel now
so safe, it makes me spin

I love the way you say 'i love you'
I love the way smile
I love how you make me laugh
more than just once in awhile

I love the way you make me happy
I love the way we're true
I love the way you love me
but mostly that i love you.

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Love Me

Hold me and love me
never pull away
lay next to me
for the rest of today

Lay next to me
Don't let me go
for i'm not afraid
to let my love show

Our love is strong
and last night was great
you held me close
even though it was late

Don't let me go
just hold me, dear
my love for you
is very clear

I'll love you forever
for you- i'd wait
you came to me-
it was our fate

If i am hurting
i know that you're there
you'll hold me close
because you care

As we two become one
i want you to know
my love is so great
it's impossible to show

So hold me close
and you will see
i'll love you forever-
just, please, love me

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Love's Eyes

I had a strange feeling
when i looked in his eyes
like i'd have no more tears
and i'd have no more cries

It was such a strange feeling
that it tore me apart
and his eyes seemed to see through me
and straight into my heart

Could he see how i felt?
I thought i could hide
but, Lord, how those eyes
seemed to see straight inside

His eyes alone were deep
they were dark but also nice
they seemed to mystify
but also to entice.

They sucked me in
and held me from that day
and when i looked in them
i could find nothing to say

He had so many good things
and he hasn't lost a one
but his eyes are still as deep
as when our relationship had begun.

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Prayers

I prayed to God to save me
to help me with my past
but He seemed to ignore me
and leave me til last

I needed his guidance
or at least someone to care
but soon i gave up hope
when it seemed He wasn't there

I slowly pulled away
from the things that kept me whole
and i soon forgot the feeling
of a loving, caring soul

I ignored all my feelings
and pretended to be free
but with all the hurt i kept inside
i'd never be happy

When i could no longer take it
and i gave Him one more chance
He took the last of my spirit
and stole my dreams of romance

I felt cursed and unwanted
unloved and empty inside
and the hurt, i'd show in writing
that i soon began to hide

But the more that i wrote
the more my heart'd die
it was even to the point
where i lost my will to try

I finally gave up
because my heart'd split in two
and God finally heard my prayer
cuz He sent me straight to you.

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Remember

I think of you always
wishing you were with me
and i think of how
i want us to be

I wish that i tried
and held fast to you
but i found out too late
you're a dream come true

I needed you near me
though i pushed you away
now i can only hope
that you'll return someday

But i gave up
or that's how it felt
and now, how you act
it makes my heart melt

I still have hope
that you'll come back to me
as long as we're apart
my heart's blind as can be

You probably don't know it
but you held my heart
and it still breaks everyday
that we're apart

Now i cry everyday
and straight through the night
wishing and praying, someday
you'll be holding me tight.

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Still Waiting

Days with you are short
without you they feel like years
and everytime you leave
it gets harder to hide my tears

I'd give anything to stay with you
i die when you walk away
but no matter how i ask
i can't make you stay

And now when you go
i can't stop my heart from breaking
i can't stop crying
and my chest won't stop aching

I feel so lost and alone
as i drag myself to bed
and, tearing up, i wonder
what else i could have said

Maybe if i told you
that i feel incomplete
every time you get in your truck
and drive off down the street

But i didn't and you did leave
so now i feel alone
oh i wish i made you stay
with all the love i've shown

But again you have left
and here i wait and stay
and i'll stay here waiting
for you all night and day

I'll be right here
waiting for your embrace
and when you come back...
into your arms, i will race.

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Story Of A Life

Let me tell you a story
a broken-hearted tale
it could touch your life
or it could fail...

There once was a girl
who's heart shattered like glass
because of her 'love'
that knocked her on her ass.
But stubborn as she was
she held on to a fake.
She'd give and she'd give
but he'd only take.
Then he started giving
in his twisted way.
He started changing
for no reason one day.
He'd bring her down,
said she looked like a whore,
and sometimes he'd hit her
til she fell to the floor.
Soon people caught on
and said he was no good
but she couldn't leave him
and no one understood.
He often said things
and she began to believe
no matter what he said
she just couldn't leave.
She began to think
what he said was true
and she lost her confidence
and became someone new.
She changed completely
and became a girl she hated
who became a push-over
because of who she dated.
Then she caught on
and began to pull away.

She met someone new
and had fun that day.
The next day she returned
but he treated her worse
and that's when she realized
he was her curse.
So she said 'it's over'
but he told her no
and his curse broke
and she let her old self show.
She told him 'get bent',
and she told him 'get out'.
She wanted him gone
and she had no doubt.
But he didn't leave
he simply just stared
but she held her ground
cuz she wasn't scared.
He tried to persuade her
said they were 'meant to be'
and he tried to hold her
so she could see.
But she laughed at him
and slapped him away.
She laughed out 'Hell no!
There ain't no way! '
He took a step back
and stared in shock
at this new girl before him
but his fate was locked.
He tried one more time
but this time he got
a chilling grin and
a 'go to hell and rot! '
But before he left
he tried one last thing:
He said she'd never see
love like he could bring.
That's when it hit her-
the sweet guy she just met,
and she glared back at him
and said 'Wanna bet? '

That's when she told him
all about this new guy
and that, how he treated her,
made her hold her head high.
As he turned to leave,
eyes glued to the floor,
he tried to say 'I love you'
but she slammed the door.
And in that next moment
she knew she hadn't lied
and, with a new sense of relief,
she broke down and cried.
They were tears of joy
for her healing heart
and, maybe, tears of hope
that this guy helped start.
They began talking
and soon became a pair.
Now her life's complete
with the love that they share.

Now you know my story
and since it's through
remember what i said
so it won't happen to you.

Find that loving guy
but don't go through the rest.
Then you'll find true happiness
and it'll work for the best.

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Sunset

There's a figure in the sunset
walking away from me
and the more i stare
the less of him i see

I recognize his saunter
and the pace of his step
and i begin to realize
in my heart's depth...

The walk is my love's-
for other's it'd be too bold-
but he's only growing smaller
and i can feel my blood run cold

I can try to yell
but now he's too far away
walking with his back to me
into the fading day

As the last rays go out
and he disappears from sight
my heart swiftly breaks
and tears make my eyes grow bright.

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Too Good To Be True

I miss you so much
each time you say night
but the next time i see you
i'm filled with delight

When you finally hold me
oh, how my heart will dance
i wrap my arms around you
and can feel the romance

I can cling to you
give you a hug and a kiss
fill you in on my week
as you fill me with bliss

We can fool around
or just be for awhile
either way, cuz i'm with you
i'll always have a smile

After a weekend of love
again it must end
but i know it's not final
so this message i send:

'You mean the world to me
Hun, i really love you
and i think you should know
you're too good to be true.'

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Waiting

Slowing to a standstill
for our final goodbye
time won't stop forever
and it's hard not to cry

As time moves on
our last kiss is long and deep
but you must leave again
and my heart will gently weep

I slowly shut the door
feeling lost and alone
wishing my love for you
had been better shown

But my time ran out
whether you know my love or not
and walking around, cold and empty,
i already miss you a lot

I know when you go
that it's for the best
but i have this hollow feeling
where my heart's missing from my chest.

I can't figure out
why it hurts so much
when you leave again
and you're too far gone to touch.

I feel like i'm drowning
in water that's too deep
but i trust you'll save me
you'll come back and make me complete.

But it's the waiting that kills me
I hate not having you here
cuz one day you'll stay gone
and that's my biggest fear

But you never stay gone
and you always bring back my heart
and it's with me for awhile
'til time pulls us back apart.

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What You Do To Me

When you hurt
my heart shakes
when you cry
my heart breaks

When you smile
i do too
when you laugh
i'm glad for you

I can't breathe
when you're away
when you're here
i am ok

When you're here
you have my touch
when you're not
i miss you so much

When you hold me
i'll kiss your lips
when you love me
my heart does flips

When you need me
I'll be right here
when you're scared
i'll pull you near

When you stumble
or when you're blue
when you struggle
I will hold you

When you're mad
I'll pull you in
when you're sad
I'll make you grin

And when i say
that i love you
you make my day
when you say it too.

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You'Re My Life

Honey, i don't want to lose you
you mean so much to me
and if you weren't in my life
i don't know where i'd be

The thought that i could lose you
scares me half to death
so when you see a pretty girl
i always hold my breath.

I cling to thoughts and wonders
of if you see them there
but then you turn and kiss me
and i can't seem to care

Each time that you ignore them
and look at me instead
that's when i remember
things that you have said

You say you'll stay with me
through the good and bad
you say you won't leave me
no matter how many fights we've had

I remember that you love me-
me and me alone! -
then all i can think of
is how much you have shown

I want to say i love you
and i won't let you part
not only cuz you love me
but because you hold my heart.

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You'Re The One

Baby, your the one
i love you so much
don't pull away
i need your touch

Please hold me tight
don't break my trust
let me know you're there
don't make my heart lust

Tighten your hold
around my hips
lean into me close;
let me taste your lips

Pull me in closer
press your body to mine
lean into my kiss
and i will be fine

Hold me with passion
and lay me down, slow-
kiss me softly, and
never let me go

Slowly and gently
make love to me
i want you to know
you're all i can see

When it's all over
don't let me go
still lay with me
and let your love show

Let your love show
and let it be true
love me forever
and i will love you

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