# Love Story

*(to be read aloud)*

Ladies and gentlemen, we welcome you to another exciting and tearful sequence in the soap opera, "As the World Burns." As you remember, during the previous episodes in the fateful life of our heroine, _____(1), we saw that her one great desire was to have a date with the hero of her youth, the handsome and debonair _____(2). And now the momentous event has become reality for our beloved heroine, for he has indeed asked her for a date! The drama begins as we see him arriving at her doorstep wearing _____(3). As the doorbell rings, she runs breathlessly to answer it, looking her lovely self in her _____(4). As she shyly greets him, her father looks over his evening paper, takes his pipe from his mouth, and says to the newcomer, _____(5). But mother imposes with a tearful _____(6). With this, the couple leave to go to _____(7) by _____(8). Once there, they quickly engage in _____(9). Soon they are hungry, so they go to a nearby restaurant, where each orders _____(10), topped with _____(11), and washed down with _____(12). Afterward, their love deepening as the evening sun spreads its amber glow across the horizon, they decide to end the date by _____(13). As he brings her home again, she lingers on the doorstep, and turning to him with the intense sorrow of parting, speaks these tender words about their time together, _____(14). He, holding back the words he wished he were man enough to say, softly whispers, _____(15). After the date ends, she runs upstairs to her room, her heart beating rapidly, and calls her best friend to tell her the exciting evening events by reporting, _____(16). Meanwhile he walks meditatively off into the rising fog. Tune in again tomorrow, when you will hear him say to his younger brother, after returning from the fog, _____(17).

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Here is a fun crowd breaker that can be used anytime, but would be especially appropriate around Valentine's Day. To begin, you need to have the young people come up with answers to the statements below. The best way to do this would be to pick 17 kids and have each of them respond to one of the statements. Each person should also remember which number they are. Tell them to write down their answers, but not to reveal them until they are asked to do so. Here are the questions:

1. Name a girl in our group.

2. Name a boy in our group.

3. Describe what you were wearing the last time your mother complained about the way you looked.

4. Think of your favorite activity, but do not write that down; instead, name what you were wearing the last time you did this activity.

5. Write down the most useless advice you have ever received.

6. Write down a sentence from the television commercial you most dislike.

7. Name or describe the place you were when you last received some money.

8. Name or describe the worst kind of transportation.

9. Name or describe what you would least like to be caught doing.

10. Name your favorite food.

11. Name your least liked food.

12. Name or describe the most unusual drink you were ever offered.

13. Name or describe the most unusual thing a person can do on a rainy afternoon.

14. If you were your teacher, what would you have said about the last test paper you handed in? Write this down.

15. Think of the greatest goof you ever made. Write down what you wish you would have said at the time.

16. Name or describe the most annoying habit your brother (or father) has.

17. Name or describe the worst reason a boy could have for breaking up with his girlfriend.

After everyone has an answer, read the story on page 116. The answers to the preceding statements are the missing parts of the story. As you read along, pause at the missing parts, and the person who answered the corresponding question reads what they have written. The results are usually hilarious.

To make this go as smoothly as possible, have all 17 kids (with their answers) get in line according to their number. Then, as you read the story, go down the line and point to the next person whenever you come to a missing section. That person then fills in the blank