

Thesis story script
Strawberry Meringue Cake
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Outline

1 - Background: In Cat's dream, 8 lives leave his body, and the only life that is left, his heart, shows the image of Cat dying in Dragon's arms. Cat asks himself, "Will the dragon regret being with me when I die?"

2 - Establishing: Dragon and Cat are in the kitchen. Cat is brewing tea, and wakes up from his doze off. Dragon is preparing a cake to add a ring and propose to the cat.

3 - Turn: Dragon asks the cat if he wants cake while holding the cake with the ring on top. Cat doesn't look up, and rejects it, saying he doesn't want cake, he wants tea.

4 - Turning point: back and forth ensues where dragon pushes cat to have cake and cat keeps rejecting and, trying to suppress his feelings of fear and sadness, he puts up the illusion of being annoyed at Dragon for not respecting his wishes for tea.

5 - Spiral: Dragon realizes he can't propose and decides to just enjoy some tea with cat to avoid a fight. When leaving, Cat catches sight of the ring, and realizes his love overpowers his concerns, which helps Cat to make a decision. Dragon sits with his tea, and he cries.

6 - Climax and resolution: A tear from Dragon falls into his cup of tea and in the surface reflection you see Cat smiling with tears. Dragon turns to see Cat's face covered in strawberry cream. Cat puts his hand up revealing the ring on his finger and says: I do. As they hug each other, Cat's small body changes to the illusion of the Cat dying peacefully in Dragon's arms for a small moment. Dragon smiles, embraces Cat tightly, and says, "Being with you is the greatest happiness of my life."

Overview

Wind dreams of his greatest fear being with Blue- that he will die in Blue's arms long before Blue dies. As Wind wakes up from dozing off, time changes to afternoon, and he is brewing tea, while Blue is making cake. Blue wants Wind to eat the strawberry cream cake, which has a ring displayed atop. However, Wind doesn't want cake and wants to push away Blue, which causes the two to talk back and forth deciding what to do. Wind goes overtop and wins the argument, not knowing Blue's intention that he wants to propose marriage. As Blue puts the cake beside a table and slinks to the tea room to wait for Wind to have tea together, Wind catches sight of the cake and realizes what he wanted the most. In the tea room, a tear drops from Blue's eyes into the tea, which breaks the surface but then shows Wind's reflection. When Blue looks up from his tea in surprise but also excitement, he sees Wind smiling with cake all around his face. Wind holds up the ring that the dragon hid inside the cake, and puts it on his hand. 'I do!'. Blue hugs with Wind, not regretting his decision despite knowing that Wind will likely die before he does. In the end, love overpowers miscommunication, difficulties and the fear of death and abandon.

SCENE STARTS WITH WIND, A LITTLE BLACK CAT WITH A RED SCARF, WAKING UP IN THE DREAMLAND OF CLOUDS. HE LOOKS AROUND IN CONFUSION, WHILE LIGHTS LIGHT UP AROUND HIS HEART AREA, SHOWING 8 WHISP-SHAPED LIVES SURROUNDING HIS HEART. ONE LIFE LEAVES HIS BODY AND DRIFT TO A GATE SHAPED FROM CLOUDS, WHICH CATCHES WIND'S ATTENTION.

THE FIRST STRAND OF LIFE TURNS INTO THE SHAPE OF WIND, AND RESEMBLES A SIMILAR TEXTURE OF THE FLUFFY CLOUDS THAT FILL THE DREAMLAND. IT DRIFTS TO THE GATE, AND A FLOWER MADE FROM CLOUDS APPEAR IN ITS HAND. WIND LOOKS IN AWE AND DELIGHTFULNESS AS 'CLOUD WIND' HAPPILY HOLDS THE FLOWER TO ITS MOUTH AND TAKES A BITE OF THE PETALS. THE OTHER LIVES CONTINUE TO SURROUND HIS HEART. HAPPINESS QUICKLY CHANGES TO SHOCK AS WIND SEE'S THE FLOWER TURN INTO A MUSHROOM THAT EMITS A DARK AURA. 'CLOUD WIND' ALSO CHANGES ITS EXPRESSION FROM DELIGHTED TO PAINFUL, AND ITS BODY COLLAPSES INTO THE RIVER BEYOND THE CLOUD GATE, DRIFTING AWAY.

NOT GIVING WIND THE CHANCE TO REACT, THE OTHER LIVES ALL LEAVE HIS BODY, AND FORMS A QUEUE WALKING TO THE GATE AND JUMPING INTO THE RIVER, EACH RESEMBLING THE BODY STATUS OF WHEN EACH LIFE DIED. WIND TRIES TO STOP THEM FROM LEAVING, BUT HIS HAND ONLY PENETRATES THE CLOUDS. WIND BECOMES SAD AND SITS NEARBY THE CLOUD GATE WITH HIS EARS DROOPED.

THE REMAINING HEART GLOWS ON HIS CHEST, AND HE WATCHES THE HEART TURN INTO A SHAPE THAT RESEMBLES A MUCH CLOSER LOOK TO WIND HIMSELF- ALMOST LIKE BEING A PROJECTION. WIND'S EYES FOLLOWS PROJECTION WIND. HIS EYES WIDEN IN SURPRISE AS A 'PROJECTED' SHAPE OF A DRAGON STEPS INTO THE FRAME OF THE CLOUD GATE. UNDER THE EYES OF WIND'S MISBELIEF, PROJECTION WIND CLIMBS INTO PROJECTION DRAGON'S ARMS, AND CLOSES ITS EYES.

A SINGLE TEAR FALLS FROM WIND'S EYES, AND HIS HEART SPEAKS THE QUESTION HE MOST FEARS OF.

WIND

If I die, will he regret being with me...?

THE TEAR DROPS IN FRONT OF THE WORDS, DROPPING FROM VACANT BLACKNESS INTO A BRIMMING TEAPOT THAT SITS IN THE -

INT. OF KITCHEN - AFTERNOON

FOLLOWING THE SOUND OF THE WATER DROP, THE TITLE, STRAWBERRY MERINGUE CAKE, APPEARS ON THE SCREEN AS IF REVEALED BY THE WATER SURFACE. AFTER A FEW SECONDS, THE SCENE CUTS TO WIND STARING BLANKLY IN AIR, REGAINING HIS CONSCIOUSNESS FROM DOZING OFF INTO THE AIR. SMALL CREDITS SHOW UP IN THE RIGHT LOWER CORNER. CAMERA GRADUALLY MOVES TO THE LEFT, BLURRING WIND OUT OF FOCUS AND SHOWING BLUE, THE DRAGON THAT IS RECOGNIZED FROM THE PROJECTION. HE IS SWAYING LEFT TO RIGHT, HUMMING A SONG THAT IS CLEARLY OFF-PITCH, IMMERSSED IN A LOVE ATMOSPHERE OF PINK AND WHITE MANGA-LIKE BUBBLES (in love lego - batman meme). HE IS STARING AT THE BACK OF WIND, THE ONE THAT HE LOVES THE MOST IN THE ENTIRE WORLD.

Blue's tail flicks and accidentally pushes a plate with cake off from the counter. However, it is quickly caught by Black's left hand. Straightening up, Blue takes out a ring from his right hand and blows

on it. Blue adjusts the ring to look perfect on top of the cake. Light reflects from the ring for a second.

He smiles in confidence and slides a step to stand next to Wind.

Blue looks at the big furry back of Wind's head. He clears his throat.

BLUE

Wind, let's have some cake!

I made your favorite: strawberry meringue.

Wind turns his head slightly to acknowledge Blue's presence, but his eyebrows furrow to show concern. Closeup shows the lips of Wind as he speaks.

WIND

I don't want to have cake today, Blue. I want tea.

Reality comes back with a 'Boom' sound like rocks dropping down. Blue is shocked and the background behind him turns dark with lightning shocks occasionally showing.

BLUE

Are you sure? I really think you should have this cake...

WIND

(forcing a smile, looking at his tea)

Nope, I want tea!

BLUE

(the hands holding the cake anxiously shaking)

At least try one bite! I baked it with love.

WIND

(one eyebrow drooping slightly, mouth quivering, still not looking at Blue)

I told you no! Stop pushing this cake on me please.

Blue is in an almost pleading state, but his persistence irritates Wind. Outside the window, a bird tugs on a dream catcher hung off the roof.

BLUE

But, but...

Wind's spoon clangs on the brim of the teapot, making an abrupt noise.

WIND

No buts, just leave me be.

The bird tugs on the heart in the middle of the dreamcatcher but flies away in shock when the strings break.

BLUE - DEFEATED EYES STARTING TO WATER

Alright, I guess today we can just have tea.

Wind, opening his mouth a bit, knowing he accidentally went overboard, turns his head fully for the first time while Blue starts to put down the cake in the front of the frame. As his hand goes into focus, Wind makes a startled reaction, and his eyes fly open for the first time in the film as the ring is shown large and clearly on top of the cake.

Wind's expression turns into a gasp, and Blue wavers into the frame, expression sad.

BLUE
I just thought-

Blue pauses, clenches his teeth to stop himself from bursting to tears, puts down the cake lightly, and walks out of the frame, leaving Wind. Wind reaches out his hand in instinct, and he tries to say something, but no words come out.

CAMERA CUTS TO SIDE VIEW OF:
BLUE PUTS THE CAKE TO THE SIDE AND WALKS AWAY. THE PHYSICAL DISTANCE BETWEEN THEM BECOMES FURTHER AND FURTHER AWAY. BLUE WALKS OUT OF THE ROOM AND INTO -

INT. OF CORRIDOR- AFTERNOON

Blue walks in the shadows of the corridor, expression sad. He tries to make himself happy by singing the off-pitch song from before, and as he thinks of the past happy experiences he's had with Wind, his body turns around the mimic dancing. The ghost of Wind appears as they dance together in the wind, with the windows of the corridor shining light on them. The colorful backdrop of sunset shows different colors of the sky, and the colors surround Blue as he becomes mesmerized in the love of him and Wind. However, as the corridor comes to an end, the light disappears from the frame, and Blue is pulled back to reality. Blue slinks off into the shadows in bitterness, his back gradually bending lower and lower.

SCENE FADES TO:

INT. OF TEAROOM- AFTERNOON

The tearoom is a glass room full of flowers and plants. The table is made of branches entwined together. The sunshine shines lightly through the air onto Black's face. Blue looks down very sadly, and one eye tears up.

Blue looks into the teacup and sees his reflection. A lone tear streaming down his face. The tear drops and falls in the cup. The cup waves blur his reflection and when it settles, we see the reflection

of the cat. Wind is smiling but also tearful, and the mouth area is pinkish.

Blue gasps, looking up at Wind.

BLUE
Wind...?!

Wind, happy as can be, smiles with a mouth covered in strawberry cream. He opens his eyes, and extends his hand out towards Blue, revealing the ring in his finger.

WIND
I DO!

Wind is surprised when Blue rushes forward to hug him, but is quickly engulfed in happiness. As the two hug each other, Blue looks down at Wind, and for a second, the cat in his hands changes to sitting in his hands, with eyes closed in weariness. Blue smiles lightly, and hugs Wind even firmer.

BLUE
Being with you is the greatest happiness of my life.

SCENE END.

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