

Task 3

There Should be No Secrets in Our Relationship Excluding the Events of March 2, 2004



We've been together quite a while now, and I truly believe that if our relationship is going to last—if we're really going to spend our future together—we need to communicate as openly and honestly as possible. I know it's difficult to **reveal** private sides of your life to another person, but it's time we took that step. People who love each other like we do should have no secrets **excluding** what happened on Mar. 2, 2004. Are you ready to share almost everything?

It may be a **cliché**, but it's true: A relationship is all about trust. It's the **foundation** upon which all else is built. That's why from now on, with the single exception of Mar. 2, 2004, I will be an open book. I want to know who you really are, **imperfections** and all. I want you to share your secrets with me and allow me to do the same with the small condition that what happened between 1:30 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. on Mar. 2, 2004, as well as its results, stay forever **unexplored**.

There's actually something I want to **get off my chest** right now if I could. I should probably **confess** that I once **ran over** a deer without stopping to check on it. For all I know, it was really hurt...and I just kept right on driving. That might not be important to a lot of people, but I still feel horrible about it.

You know what? Telling you made me feel really good. I knew it would. Wow, it's almost like there's nothing, with one important and **nonnegotiable** exception, that I can't share with you. I'm so glad we had this talk. I love you, honey.

Reveal: uncover

Excluding: except

Cliché: traditional

Foundation: basis

Imperfection:
mistake

Unexplored: not
discovered

Get off my chest: to
tell a secret

Confess: admit

Run over: hit with a
car

Nonnegotiable:
cannot be changed