

B3U1 A Sad Love Story









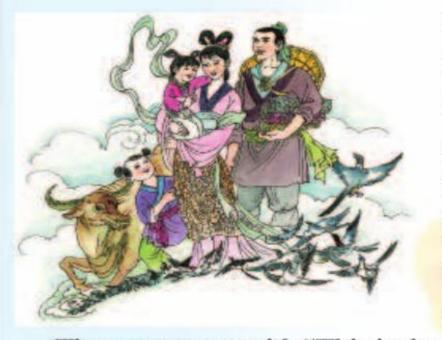
Q1: Why sad?

A SAD LOVE STORY Not romantic instead?

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her, but the river of stars, the Milky Way, stopped him. Finding that Zhinii was heart-broken, her grandmother finally decided to let the couple cross the Milky Way to meet once a year. Magpies make a bridge of their wings so the couple can cross the river to meet on the seventh day of the seventh lunar month. People in China hope that the weather will be fine on that day, because if it is raining, it means that Zhinii is weeping and the couple won't be able to meet.

The announcer said, "This is the story of the Qixi Festival. When foreigners hear about the story, they call it a Chinese Valentine's story. It's a fine day today, so I hope you can all meet the one you love."

As Li Fang set off for home, he thought, "I guess Hu Jin doesn't love me. I'll just throw these flowers and chocolates away. I don't want them to remind me of her." So he did.

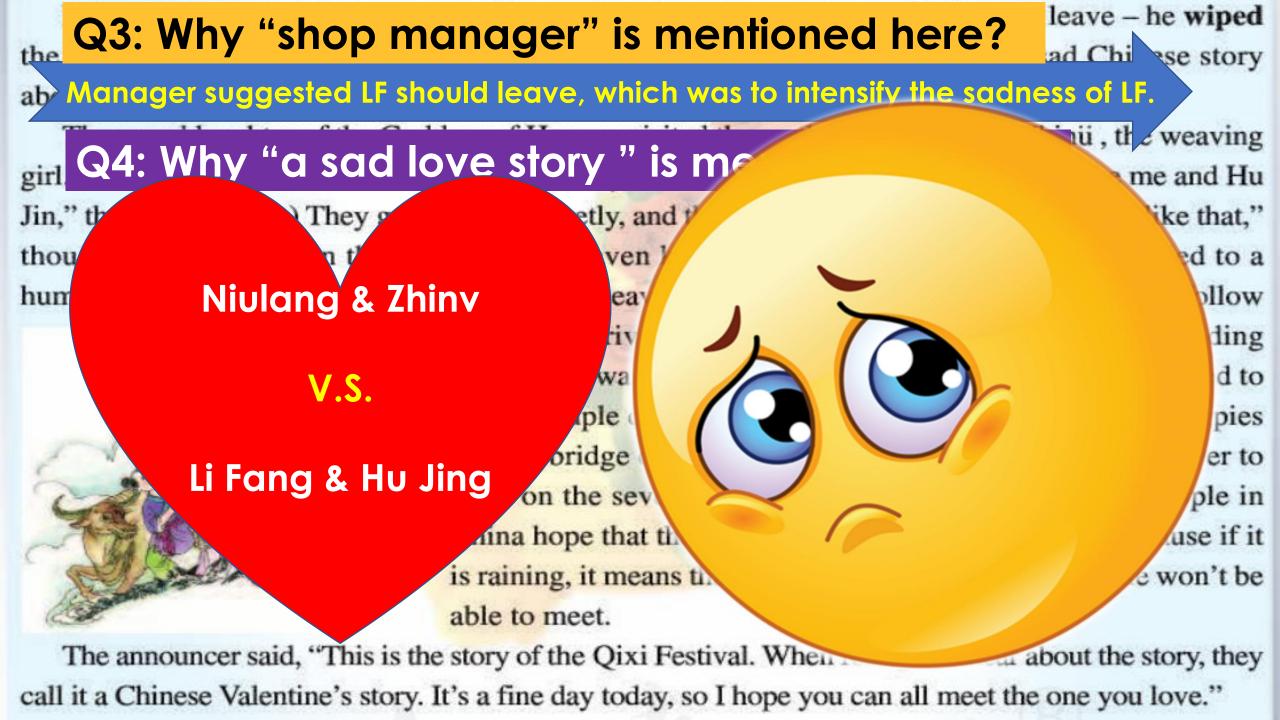
As he sadly passed the tea shop on the corner on his way home, he heard a voice calling him. There was Hu Jin waving at him and calling, "Why are you so late? I've been waiting for you for a long time! And I have a gift for you!"

What would he do? He had thrown away his gift for her! She would never **forgive** him. This would not be a happy day, would it?

Q2: Which words and expressions can convey LF's feelings?

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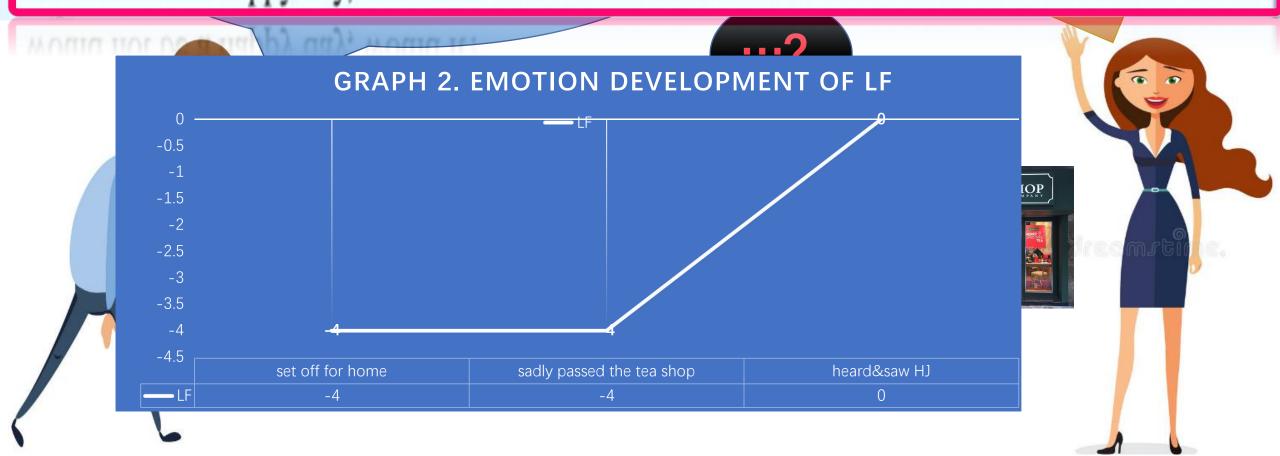


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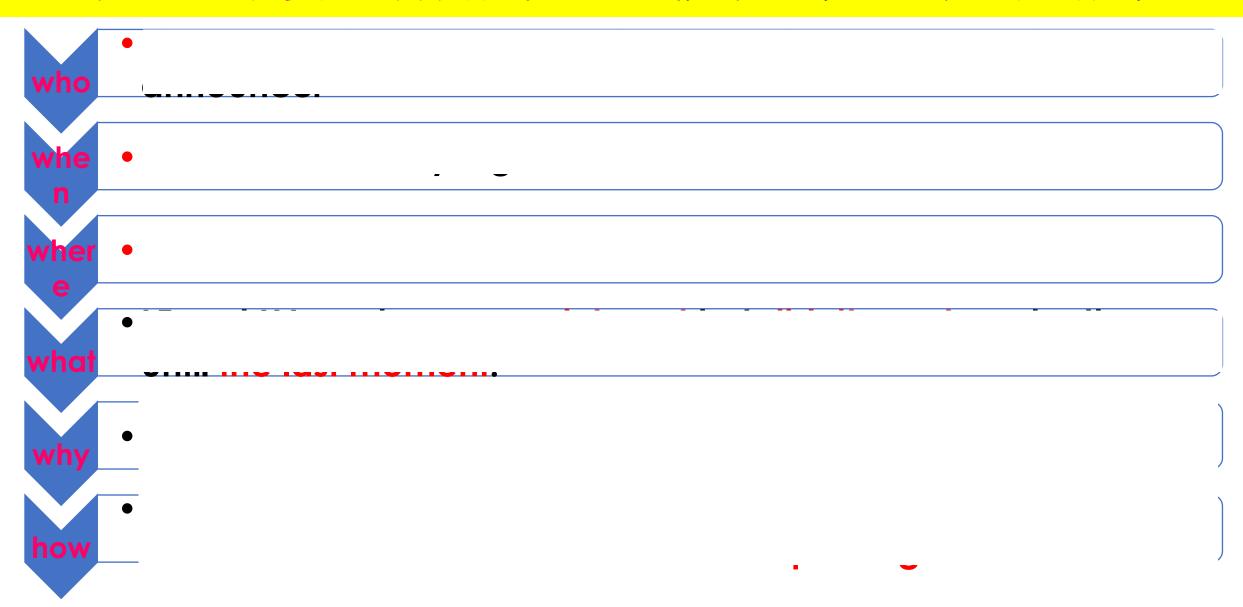
Q5: What words can be used to describe LF's feelings?





Complicated; there are ups and downs.

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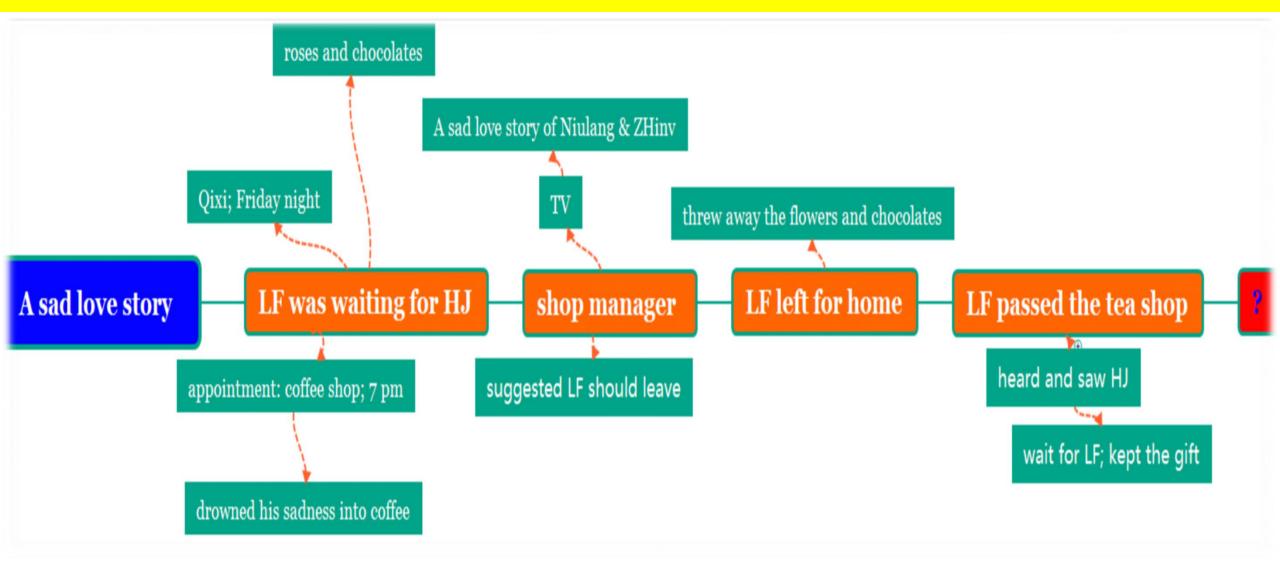
记叙文阅读理解能力:深层的文本分析能力

1. 厘清故事的发展线索(clues)

2. 明确文本的主要矛盾(conflict)

3. 关注故事的语言风格(style)

Development of the story



Plot of the story

Climax

saw HJ ?

(tea shop)

set off for home negative

watch a sad love story sad

drown in coffee sad

wait alone foolish

waiting heart-broken

appointment excited

(coffee shop)

Beginning



Ending

Reading comprehension



- 1. Why didn't Li Fang meet Hu Jin?
 - A. Hu Jin broke her word.
 - B. Li Fang didn't wait long enough.
 - 10 They waited for each other at different places.
 - D . Li Fang watched TV and forgot the appointment.
- 2. From what perspective was the story mainly narrated?
 - A. From the 1st person's perspective.
 - B. From the 2nd person's perspective.
 - From the 3rd person's perspective.

Deeper Discussion:



1. What's going on with Li Fang and Hu Jin?

- Think of how Li Fang will explain that the flowers and chocolates are gone.
- Think of what Hu Jin will say when she hears that news.
- Think of an ending to the story that will solve the problem. Will Li Fang be happy or sad?

In the story, not a single word did Li Fang say. So, how can we understand the feelings of him?

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How to describe a character's inner thought?

direct thought"It's time to eat."



indirect thought
 He thought that
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direct thought

- "Just like me and Hu Jin," thought Li Fang.
- 2 "We could be like that," thought Li Fang.
- 3 As Li Fang set off for home, he thought, "I guess Hu Jin doesn't love me. I'll just throw these flowers and chocolates away. I don't want them to remind me of her."

indirect thought

- 1 She could be with her friends right now laughing at him.
- 2 ...and he thought she would keep her word.
- Well, he was not going to hold his breath for her apologise. He would drown his sadness in coffee.
- What would he do? He had thrown away her Valentine gifts! She would never forgive him. This would not be a happy Valentine's Day!

tag words (标志词) for writing character's inner thought

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He thought / imagined / realized / murmured / said to himself / dreamed / pictured / whispered / felt / assumed / wondered / sensed / felt like...
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The idea is…/It occurred to him that… /In his mind,… /In his eyes… / His first feeling was…

There was a voice inside that...

All these thoughts (memories) crowded in that...

She heard a whispering voice from her heart…

How to write a character's inner thought?

Passage A:

Tom was wandering in the street. He was afraid of going home because he got an "F" on his math test. He said to himself, "Dad will be mad at me. And Mom will be very disappointed."

Passage B:

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A specific scene from his memory (头脑印象描写)

What he will probably see?
What other people will
probably do?
(本人可能所见/他人所做)

What he probably hear?
What other people will probably say?
(本人可能所听/他人所说)

Writing task 1:

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- The story was mainly narrated from the perspective of Li Fang.
- So, we also wonder how Hu Jin was feeling while waiting for Li Fang.
- Please write a paragraph (about 100 words) of Hu Jin's inner thoughts.





Writing task 2:

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- We are all curious about what would happen to them coming next.
- Please write a logical ending of the story (about 100 words).
- A romantic love story or a sad one must be reasonable.





