

# International Story



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This is a story about a group of friends who want to travel around the world.



Main Characters:

Elizabeth, 40 years old, engineer, works for a big building company.

Jack, 35, a journalist, works for the New York Times.

Mary, 33, was born in France, librarian.

Robert, 23, a top-model.

Ro-se, 22, a policewoman and a student of Psychology. She wants to be a topmodel.

Instructions:

Continue the story using the main characters.

You are not allowed to modify any information previously written

But you can enrich the written text with more precise words, using adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions, etc.

Use your IMAGINATION , you have plenty of it!!!!

# Chapter One

It was a cold dark rainy evening and the winter seemed not to end. Elizabeth and Jack were having a coffee at Mario's, their favourite coffee-shop. It was on the corner of the main maple street in a big old the Victorian style house on the ground floor. Many tables were empty as it was Sunday and at 7.00 p.m people are usually at home preparing things for their working Monday. The atmosphere in the cafe was romantic, light jazz music was played and it was dusk the was a dance flour in the corner and a few couples were dancing. The waiters were polite and helpful. They met every customer with a smile and accompany him to the table.

Tomorrow? -asked Elizabeth.

"Yes, tomorrow ... and I'd like to go to paradise..." -said Jack.

"Then, Jack said "I'm starting my holidays tomorrow"

" This is fantastic! -said Elizabeth, I'm starting my holidays tomorrow too. We can go together to paradise!.

" It's a good idea! -said Jack.

I can tell my cousin Mary, said Elizabeth, She`s a librarian and She`s very boring,I think She needs a little fun.

"Well! -said Jack, we can make plans together. Is your cousin Mary beautiful? - he asked

Oh! yes she`s very pretty but a little classical, old fashioned She`s 33 years old, She doesn't have a boyfriend and I believe that she has never had it. She can has lucky and find a boyfriend in paradise.

Ring, ring, ring, the Mary's telephone sounds. Mary answered the call. Mary was not a very tall woman in her early thirties. Her hair is fair and curly. She is incredibly delicate. She is rosy-cheeked with a big nice smile and blue deep eyes. Her little nose is snub.

Hello Mary, said Elizabeth.

Hello Elizabeth, how are you? said Mary.

I'm fine. You know that I'm going to paradise. Do you want to come with me and my friend Jack?, said Elizabeth. He`s a fantastic, beautiful, friendly man. Jack is a tall well-built man in his mid thirties. His complexion is dark and hair is short crew-cut. His features are striking. He has got an oval face with brown eyes and a straight nose. Jack is a very handsome smart man wearing black shirt and trousers.

Ok, it's a fantastic idea!, said Mary. Does Jack has girlfriend?, asked Mary.

No, no, he`s a single man. He has 35 years old and he`s a journalist, said Elizabeth.

Said Mary, Oh, he`s an interesting man.

I think it would be a wonderful journey. Can I invite my friend Rose?-asked Mary.

Yes you can, but first of all we need to meet together. Could you come to Mario's cafe? Suggested Elizabeth.

In an hour Rose and Mary came to the cafe. Girls ordered a bottle of red wine. Suddenly Rose's mobile phone started ringing.

„Hello Rose. This is Robert. What are you doing?“

„Hi Robert, I am in a cafe with my friends and we are planing our journey to paradise.“ answered Rose rapidly.

Oh, to Paradise.....? I was in PARADISE two years ago. said Robert. It was quite a great time then,but....it was two years ago.... Anyway, I can tell you about the PARADISE even right now!

It's a beautiful cheap place and I would like to go again there. May I travel with you and your friends?

Of course, but wait a minute, tell him Rose. She asks her friends if Robert could go with them and they answer “No problem”.

Robert wasn't in the town but he drove quickly and he came at Mario's an hour later. Then, Elizabeth, Jack, Rose, Mary and Robert begin to talk about the Paradise and make plans.

Morning Monday this five friends pick up their heavy luggage and go to the airport.

Jack Look carefully at his friends during the flight and then He thought He knew very well Elisabeth, She was funny and friendly also She was pretty but to others He didn't know but He thought Mary wasn't ugly but She was sad and nervous, She was unhealthy, maybe it was because She was always in the library. Rose was very pretty, She had beautiful green eyes and also She had great style. Robert was strange person, He was handsome but He had a very white skin and his looking was very sinister, really He was strange.

Ten hours later the plane arrive at “Paradise”.

“Elizabeth,Mary,Jack,Robert” said Rose- “ it is very good to go in the sea, we can swim, be mfree” Rose is an huppy student of psycology , but she likes to be a top model .

## Chapter two

Paradise Airport did not seem very large. When the group picked up the luggage, and the 5 met at the exit. The airport is located about 25 kilometers from the city. What if we rented a taxi for 5 or 6 people? Robert asked.

It will take us no more than 10 minutes from airport to hotel, depending on traffic. Good idea, let's see if we find a taxi big enough for the 5 plus luggage, Jack said. Or we can take the bus, the bus stop is behind of the airport, Robert said.

In the end they decided to take a taxi.

Travelling by taxi they saw amazing views. It was warm the sun was shining, there were not a single cloud in the sky. You could feel the smell of flowers and fresh wind on the face. It was green everywhere.

What time is it? Rose asked to Mary, my watch has stopped I think it has run out of batteries. 2,00 o'clock if we are lucky, We arrived at the hotel with plenty of time to eat. I was in this City two years ago, and I stayed in this hotel, the food was fantastic, Robert said. When they arrived at the hotel, Jack went to the reception, Hello. Good evening, sir, can I help you? We've got a reservation, 5 single rooms he said to the receptionist. What's your name, please? Jack. Jack Simeon. How many night? It's just for the weekend, Friday, Saturday and Sunday night.

What floor are rooms on? - asked Jack.

Your rooms are on the sixth floor.

The five rooms are together on the sixth floor. Here are your keys.

Excuse me, Until what time is the restaurant open? The restaurant is open from 8,30 to 10,30 a.m. in the morning for breakfast, from 1,00 to 3,00 p.m. for lunch and 8,00 to 10,00 p.m. for dinner. Thank you. Jack gave the keys to the rest of the group and he said, now it's 2,20 we'll meet here at 2,30 for lunch. Are you all agreed? As far as I'm concerned it's O.K. Robert said. They were all agreed and went to the rooms and ten minutes later met in the dining room.

At 2,30 Good afternoon. A table for five please, said Elizabeth. Would you like this table Madam? Can we have the table over there near the window? Yes Madam. Can we have the menu please? said Mary, here you are Madam with smile said waitress.

Robert was the first to arrive on time to the meeting point, however he was not very hungry. He was willing to guide the other companions, so he took a clean blue sky napkin and began to write with his Mont Blanc pen a complex timetable with landscapes, monuments and trips he would recommend the others. But he was soon interrupted by Rose, whose shiny heel shoes walking down the stairs caught his attention.

Rose had cheery-red earrings that stand out with her ruby-green eyes. She had a sculptural body, everything she wore seemed to be made for her unique size and volume. In this occasion she wore a short dark dress with neckline.

The rest of the holiday crew arrived few minutes later. But Robert was focused on Rose's movements. He felt that something was about to occur.

Hello Rose !!!!-said Robert

Hello Robert!!!what do you do alone here? said Rose

I'm drinking a glass of wine .would you like a glass of wine with me ?

Yes ,of course , it would be wonderful

Are you a student of psychology ,right ? said Robert .

Yes, I'm studying psychology ,I'm in the fourth year.I'm also starting as a model .said Rose

My job is to be model,I can help if you wish ,you could connect with influential people of the world of model .

Thanks ,I'm really interested in that.said Rose.

Robert felt to talk her,that his heart,was racing .It would be falling for the student of psychology and promising top model?

Rose would be attracted to Robert ?

Robert and Jack immediately hooked because they liked the sport, to Play Station as well as agreed in many views.

but a problem would be raised to the two liked Rose, and Rose he liked the two.

¿ Have Rose to apply their knowledge of psychology? ¿ his friend to understand?

The best seriously address the situation since the first and read the cartel to Robert and Jack not to be made illusions,

¿What was going to happen?

At 7,00 o'clock in the morning Elizabeth, couldn't sleep. All the group had agreed to meet at 9,00 o'clock in a restaurant close for breakfast together. So she got up at 7,15 and left the hotel room. She was walking to the restaurant. At 8,00 o'clock Elizabeth arrived at the restaurant and asked for cup of coffee with milk. Elizabeth had not finished her cup of coffee when Mary appeared. Hello Elizabeth!! How early you got up this morning! Hello Mary. This morning I woke up at 6,00 and I couldn't go back to sleep, so I decided to get up at 7,00, Said Elizabeth. I also woke up early, at about 7.00, so I read a while in bed and got up said Mary.

Elizabeth What about your holiday? Are you contented?. Do you think it's going well?. Mary asked. Not bad, we are just at the beginning. Can be fun and we perhaps have a wedding after the holiday. the

Perhaps Rose has to choose between Jack and Robert, it seems that both are very excited by her. Do not you think?.

!Yes she has two and I don't have any !

During last night everybody don't sleep very well. When we were in the restaurant together at 9.00 am. Rose asked your friends. Where is Jack?

Elizabeth answered. He sure is sleeping he's very lazy. I going to see he, I hope he's well....

Elizabeth arrived Jack's bedroom she called him but Jack doesn't say anything....

She opens the door, Jack wasn't there!....i

Elizabeth ran to the restaurant she told your friend. Jack is disappearing!!!!

Roberts said don't worry I think he went to for walk. We'll best wait any time.

Mary thought and said . Last night I heard a strange noise outside. The noise was similar

a scream. She felt fear.....

A scream? said Rose, that could be anyone. We don't think worst as Robert said the best is wait and Jack's going to come back.

But at time of lunch he didn't come back still. The girls spoke with the receptionist and the manager of the hotel and he allowed that they go into Jack's bedroom.

Oh my god!! scream Mary.

The room was untidy and it seems that it has been a fight inside. The chairs was on the floor and clothes too. Although they was on the sixth floor, the glass of window was broken and there was a spot of blood on the windowsill.

Where is Jack?, asked Elizabeth meanwhile she pick up a chair.

Don't touch anything!!!, shouted Rose to her. We must to call the police right now.

OK, you stay here, said Robert, I'll speak with the manager and call police.

Thirty minutes later the inspector Strauss arrived to the hotel and he wanted to see the Jack's room in first place. He looked carefully inside and after he spoke with the four friends.

The inspector Strauss wanted to speak with each friend individually.

First called Elizabeth, the inspector asked her, What time did you sleep last night?

Elizabeth said, I went to sleep after dinner around ten o'clock but I can't sleep.

Then the inspector called Mary, he asked her the same that Elizabeth.

After the inspector called Rose, he asked Rose, Do you like Jack?

Rose responded, Why do you ask this? Answer me, please, said the inspector.

Yes, I like Jack, said Rose.

Finally called Robert, the inspector asked him, Do you have a problem with Jack?

Robert said, No inspector, I agree very well with Jack.

The inspector finished with the questions but he didn't have nothing clear it.

The passing of the hours and Jack gave sings of life ,became very tense at all.

That was what happened with Jack? where is he?someone would be interesting in removing the middle?

Was taken by force,why?.their work had anything to do with it?.

Later ,the inspector Strauss,decided to speak again with Elizabeth.Their were friends ,but he works as a journalist and Elizabeth in a company ,where business was not very clear.....

Elisabeth was tired, she had worked too much form a big building company, then he said to her friends " I'm going home to sleep , so tomorrow i will be ready "

## Chapter Three

The next day, an old woman called the hotel receptionist and tells her that she thought she saw something strange in a hotel room. The receptionist called Jack's friends and tell them what happened, they called the police to inspector and get to talk to the already. The inspector asked the old woman, Which was what you saw? she responds, I live in front of the hotel, when I was closing my windows and I saw that two men were fighting in that room, but then the lights dimmed and can not see. Everything is very mysterious say Rose. I am a police woman and I have to act. She tell their friends you wait in the hotel, I will go with the Inspector to the hospital, the receptionist received a call that Jack is in the central hospital.

Jack was asleep in bed, had a bandage on his head oh !! my god Rose said when saw him and sat beside him, suddenly Jack opened his eyes and said what happened to me? who am I? ..... "You are all right ?" she said, Jack smiled suddenly. "I need to talk with the police," you can tell me what's is the problem", "but...I don't remember so well what's was happened, but Robert was stayed on my hotel room and we had a big discussion." "oh damn", what's go in on? asked rose, "I'm very hungry, I'm not tried event water since many days ago." you are missing since 4 days ago, she said. **And she asked what happened to Jack there is a room that could tell the police what the fight means who responsible for this.**

**Then the doctor came in to the room and said -"Yesterday women came to the hospital and asked about Jack and about his health. But he didn't say her name. She had blond hair, blue eyes, she was quite short and had a leather suitcase. But Jack was sleeping at that time, so she left."**  
**"What was that women?"- thought Rose and Jack..**

**Simultaneously Elizabeth, Mary and Robert sitting at the hotel room. They was very worried about Jack but them time are going very fast and they thought about the seaside. Elizabeth, Mary and Robert take a camera, a rug, some water and went out.**

**From the seaside which was near the hotel Elizabeth, Mary and Robert not stayed out.**

**Soon they felt hungry and became to the hotel. Then they came back ,them waited that interesting women.**

They sat on the sofa in the hall, and they were waiting half and hour but nobody appeared. They were very nervous and they didnt know they could do. Who was that women? Had Jack ever been alone any time those days? Yes, many times, but, had Jack ever met with someone different to them? All of them thought many things, but anything was very strange.

Elizabeth asked to Robert if he had been with Jack that night, but, Robert didn't say anything. Nobody knew that Rose and him were speaking and drinking that night together. Nobody knew that he had tried to kiss to Rose. She hadn't chosen and the holidays're going to finish and he needed to know if she like or dislike him. She had to choose. But she didn't . But nothing matters now. Jack is in the hospital, and we are here waiting for a woman we don't know. He decided tell them the whole truth.

“ I was in Jack's room. I tried to kiss Rose. She said me she wasn't sure about her feelings. I knew why. It was for Jack. So, I went to his room. Rose went out, but she didn't go to his room. I don't know where she went. Meanwhile, I was with Jack. We were arguing a lot of time. But, when I went out, Jack was there. I know you think that I hit him, but I didn't do anything. I don't know more”.

While Jack was trying to remember something about those days, the mysterious women appeared in the hospital. The doctor and Rose stopped her before she entered lugubrious room. They asked the some questions about her relationship with Jack. At first the unknown women didn't answer them but finally she gave in our insistance. They were speaking for hours.

## Chapter Four

Jack spent two days in the hospital but he didn't remember anything of what happened. Meanwhile the rest of the friends decided to visit the city with the absence of Jack and the mystery to find out what had happened.

All group thought that Robert had hit to Jack but he didn't tell the truth. The reason could have been that they wanted to win the love of Rose and they would have fought for it badly.

The mystery of the woman who had gone to visit Jack to the hospital and it was resolved it was a hotel employee who found Jack on the floor and it was she who took him to hospital, but neither she was identified for fear of being fired from their work, but the day Jack left the hospital she went to meet him and explain what happened, Jack was very grateful to her and took her phone so if I decided one day to return to Paradise.

-But, how he had hit to jack?

Jack was a very famous, funny, and handsome journalist, worked in a good newspaper and also worked in television and he was Mary's favorite journalist.

One day Jack went to make a report to the workplace by Mary and she fell in love with him. She tried to get close to Jack and she watched every day on his way to work and one day she decided to speak with him, she made an appointment and accept, but never reached the agreed place and Mary was very unhappy.

The meet between Mary and Jack was five year ago but when Mary saw Jack again she was very happy. At last she would be next to Jack during the weekend. But the problem was that he did not even recognize her and she was very disappointed with the fact that both Jack and Robert were set at Rose and she would not be a simple smile.

Actually, Mary had heard the fight between Jack and Robert and she went to Jack's room to ask what had happened. They were arguing about Rose. Mary was very jealous and she decided to tell him the truth about her feelings, but Robert told her angrily that they were solving an issue and he asked her to leave the room. She ran scared from the room because they began to struggle and when she tried to return to help Jack, he was with a woman and left scared thinking that Jack was dead.

## Chapter Five

The inspector Strauss returned to the hotel to ask questions to the group again, and then Mary said the truth, explaining that it was an accident and she had not said anything for fear of being blamed. Everybody including Jack were surprised because her confession but they decided to forgive her.

But what Mary really wanted it was to harm Jack, she wanted revenge. The inspector Strauss felt compassion for Mary and he decided to invite her for a dinner in the Paradise the last night. Mary accepted the invitation, she wanted information from Strauss to hatch a plan and kill Jack.

After two months, Mary proposed to make a trip again all together in order to forget the last one, but it was a part of her plan for killing Jack. But Rose discovered her plan and she told to inspector Strauss. He could not believe Rose at the beginning because he was in love of Mary, but he found that Mary was insane and she needed to enter into a psychiatric hospital. She needed help.

Elizabeth was very unhappy because her cousin Mary was crazy, but she knew it was the best for her. The rest of the group continued their lifes and Rose and Robert are in love.

**The end**