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ALL TOO WELL – THE SHORT FILM by Taylor Swift

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tollGa3S0o8

1. Why do you think the author quoted Pablo Neruda at the beginning of the film? ("Love is so short, forgetting is so long." – PABLO NERUDA)

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2. Paraphrase the following sentences:

"I feel so out of place." _____

"Maybe we got lost in translation." _____

"I actually had a blast." _____

3. Are the following sentences true or false?

a) Her scarf is still in his drawer. _____

b) He treated her the same way as before when he was with his friends. _____

c) They both agreed on ending their relationship. _____

d) At the end, she has moved on, but he hasn't. _____

4. Why is she pissed off after the dinner?

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5. Why cannot he get rid of her old scarf?

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6. What are the questions she would like to ask him 13 years later?

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7. Summarize the film parts in two sentences.

AN UPSTATE ESCAPE:

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THE FIRST CRACK IN THE GLASS:

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ARE YOU REAL?

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THE BREAKING POINT

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THIRTEEN YEARS GONE

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WRITING:

Write a post-break up letter (min. 150 words) from the perspective of one of the characters: Him or Her. Your letter should be a summary of the main events, viewed from the perspective of the character you choose. Write about the character's feelings, how he/she felt during the most important events in the film.

Taylor Swift, All too well

I walked through the door with you, the air was cold
But something 'bout it felt like home somehow
And I left my scarf there at your sister's house
And you've still got it in your drawer, even now
Oh, your sweet disposition and my wide-eyed gaze
We're singing in the car, getting lost upstate
Autumn leaves falling down like pieces into place
And I can picture it after all these days

And I know it's long gone and
That magic's not here no more
And I might be okay, but I'm not fine at all

'Cause there we are again on that little town street
You almost ran the red 'cause you were lookin' over at me
Wind in my hair, I was there I remember it all too well

Photo album on the counter, your cheeks were turning red
You used to be a little kid with glasses in a twin-sized bed
And your mother's telling stories 'bout you on the tee-ball team
You tell me 'bout your past, thinking your future was me
And you were tossing me the car keys, f*** the patriarchy
Key chain on the ground, we were always skipping town
And I was thinking on the drive down, any time now
He's gonna say it's love, you never called it what it was
'Til we were dead and gone and buried
Check the pulse and come back swearing it's the same

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After three months in the grave

And then you wondered where it went to as I reached for you

But all I felt was shame and you held my lifeless frame

And I know it's long gone and

There was nothing else I could do

And I forget about you long enough

To forget why I needed to

'Cause there we are again in the middle of the night

We're dancing 'round the kitchen in the refrigerator light

Down the stairs, I was there I remember it all too well

And there we are again when nobody had to know

You kept me like a secret but I kept you like an oath

Sacred prayer, and we'd swear

To remember it all too well, yeah

Maybe we got lost in translation

Maybe I asked for too much

But maybe this thing was a masterpiece

'Til you tore it all up

Running scared, I was there I remember it all too well

And you call me up again

Just to break me like a promise

So casually cruel in the name of being honest

I'm a crumpled up piece of paper lying here

'Cause I remember it all, all, all

They say all's well that ends well

But I'm in a new hell every time you double-cross my mind

You said if we had been closer in age maybe it would have been fine

And that made me want to die

The idea you had of me, who was she?

A never needing ever lovely jewel whose shine reflects on you

Not weeping in a party bathroom

Some actress asking me what happened, you, that's what happened, you

You who charmed my dad with self-effacing jokes

Sipping coffee like you're on a late night show

But then he watched me watch the front door all night, willing you to come

And he said, "It's supposed to be fun turning twenty-one"

Time won't fly, it's like I'm paralysed by it

I'd like to be my old self again, but I'm still trying to find it

After plaid shirt days and nights when you made me your own

Now you mail back my things and I walk home alone

But you keep my old scarf from that very first week

'Cause it reminds you of innocence and it smells like me

You can't get rid of it

'Cause you remember it all too well, yeah

'Cause there we are again when I loved you so

Back before you lost the one real thing you've ever known

It was rare, I was there I remember it all too well

Wind in my hair, you were there

You remember it all

Down the stairs, you were there

You remember it all

It was rare, I was there I remember it all too well

[Verse 4]

And I was never good at telling jokes but the punch line goes

I'll get older but your lovers stay my age

From when your Brooklyn broke my skin and bones

I'm a soldier who's returning half her weight

And did the twin flame bruise paint you blue?

Just between us, did the love affair maim you too?

Cause in this city's barren cold, I still remember the first fall of snow

And how it glistened as it fell, I remember it all too well

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Just between us, did the love affair maim you all too well?

Just between us, do you remember it all too well?

Just between us, I remember it (Just between us) all too well

Wind in my hair, I was there, I was there

Down the stairs, I was there, I was there

Sacred prayer, I was there, I was there

It was rare, you remember it all too well