

The Spring Dance

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It was a normal day for the students at Elmer Elementary. Justin Garces was dozing off in the middle of a 5th grade math class. As the bored student was about to fall asleep, he heard the door to the classroom creak open, there she stood, a beautiful girl with blonde locks, shimmering blue eyes, and cute freckles. Justin's face stared, and his face turned a bright sunset pink. He almost fell off his seat. On his left was an empty, dusty desk, to his right, was his best friend, Cristian, poking him with his pencil he had just sharpened with his red sharpener. "Justin, your face is turning red!" Justin hid his red cheeks with his blank paper. "Bro, do you have a crush on that new girl?" Justin's face turned brighter. Cristian got the message. The mystery blonde talked about her old school, and more things about her, like where she grew up, which was Oklahoma. Mrs. Dinkleberg, our teacher, told Sarah, the new girl, to sit somewhere. She looked around, and sat right next to Justin. After the class that felt like an eternity to Justin, it was finally recess, Justin was out in the field playing football with some other boys. Sarah tapped his shoulder, when he turned, he was in mid catch, and froze. The football hit him right in the head and Justin fell flat on his face. Sarah asked in a concerned voice, "Justin are you ok?" He blinked, and looked at her and said, "Am I dead? I see an angel." Sarah's face lit up, and she blushed like a bright red light. The bell rang, and everyone left to get in line. As they walked inside, Sarah talked to her BFF, Lola, who had an obvious crush on Justin, everyone knew, except Sarah. The 5th grade Spring Dance was tomorrow, and Justin wanted to ask Sarah. He approached her while Lola was at her side, he asked, "Sarah, will you go to the Spring Dance with me?" Sarah's face blushed, "I'd love to!" Sarah exclaimed. Lola's happy face disappeared. The laughter and fun died in her eyes. Sarah hadn't noticed her friend's gloomy face. "See you tomorrow?" Sarah asked. "See you there!" Justin replied. As the two walked home, their faces lit up in happiness. On the magical night of the dance, Justin was driven by his parents to the dance while wearing a black tux and red bowtie. After he arrived, He waited for Sarah to come. He saw a car drive up with Sarah. Sarah stepped out with a beautiful white dress with white roses and pearls. She wore matching pearl necklaces and earrings. She had white shoes with small pearls too. She also had a pearl bag. She grabbed Justin's hand and they both ran into the gym for their magical night. Tons of well dressed people were scattered around the gym that was decorated with pink, white, and red lights that glistened in the night sky from the nearby windows. The DJ was rocking out, and a disco ball was hanging from the cold stone ceiling. On the snack table there were a large variety of cookies and punch. They ate and danced for a while. "Lola helped pick the dress, she's the best!" Justin glanced over and saw Lola in a pink dress standing in the sidelines. "Hey Sarah, Lola looks pretty bummed, you should talk to her." Sarah looked and said, "I'll be right back ok?" She ran right over avoiding all the crowds. Justin watched Sarah and Lola have a fight. Sarah came back in tears. She had finally found out that Lola liked Justin, if only she had known, their friendship wouldn't have shattered. Justin helped her get her mind off the fight as they

danced their night and their sorrows away. The night went on slowly, but it was time to leave. The big crowds had died off. They hugged, and rode home in their cars. Neither of them could forget about their night of twists, turns, and heartbreak. Sarah and Justin spent the rest of the year as best friends at Elmer Elementary.