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Rohan sat alone in the back row of his 12th-grade classroom, a small cloud of quiet sadness hovering around him. His classmates chattered and laughed in groups, but Rohan always felt invisible, a lone star in a sky full of constellations. He often wondered if anyone truly cared, his heart a little heavy with the feeling of being unloved.



One sunny afternoon, Rohan's usually distant friend, a bright spark named Amit, excitedly shared dreams of IIT. Amit described the challenging JEE Main exam, painting a picture of prestigious colleges and brilliant futures. A tiny flicker of hope ignited within Rohan, a new goal to chase.



Rohan poured his heart and soul into studying for the JEE, surrounded by stacks of books and late-night lamps. He worked tirelessly for a whole year, his room becoming his world. Though the JEE proved too tough, a small victory came with clearing the CET exam, opening a new door to his future.



With a mixture of nerves and quiet determination, Rohan packed his bags for Pune, a bustling city he'd never visited. The thought of starting anew, all by himself in a strange place, felt both daunting and exciting. He waved goodbye to his familiar, quiet life, ready to embrace the unknown.



Arriving in Pune, Rohan found his new college dorm room a cozy, if slightly empty, space. He quickly settled into a routine of diligent study, spending most of his time with textbooks and lecture notes. Still an introvert, he kept to himself, finding comfort in the quiet pursuit of knowledge.



As the first year in Pune ended, Rohan slowly started to open up, encouraged by a few friendly smiles in his classes. He joined a study group, then a college club, and soon found himself laughing and sharing stories with new friends. The once-solitary Rohan was finally experiencing the joy of camaraderie.



One day, a girl walked into his life, her presence like a burst of sunshine. Rohan was instantly captivated, seeing her as a princess from a fairy tale. He found himself looking for her daily in the bustling college campus, a new sparkle in his eyes.



Rohan, usually shy around girls, found himself drawn to her warm personality and quick wit. They spent countless hours together, sharing dreams, secrets, and laughter. Soon, they became the closest of friends, an unbreakable bond forming between the boy who never had many and the girl who understood him.



After two years of cherished friendship, Rohan realized his feelings had deepened into love. With a pounding heart, he finally gathered the courage to propose, hoping for a future together. But her gentle rejection shattered his world, and soon after, she blocked him, leaving him heartbroken and confused.



Days later, Rohan saw her laughing happily with another boy on campus, their hands intertwined. A pang of sadness hit him, but then a wave of understanding washed over him. He realized her happiness was paramount, and with a heavy but peaceful heart, he decided to let go, accepting that some bonds, no matter how strong, can change into memories.