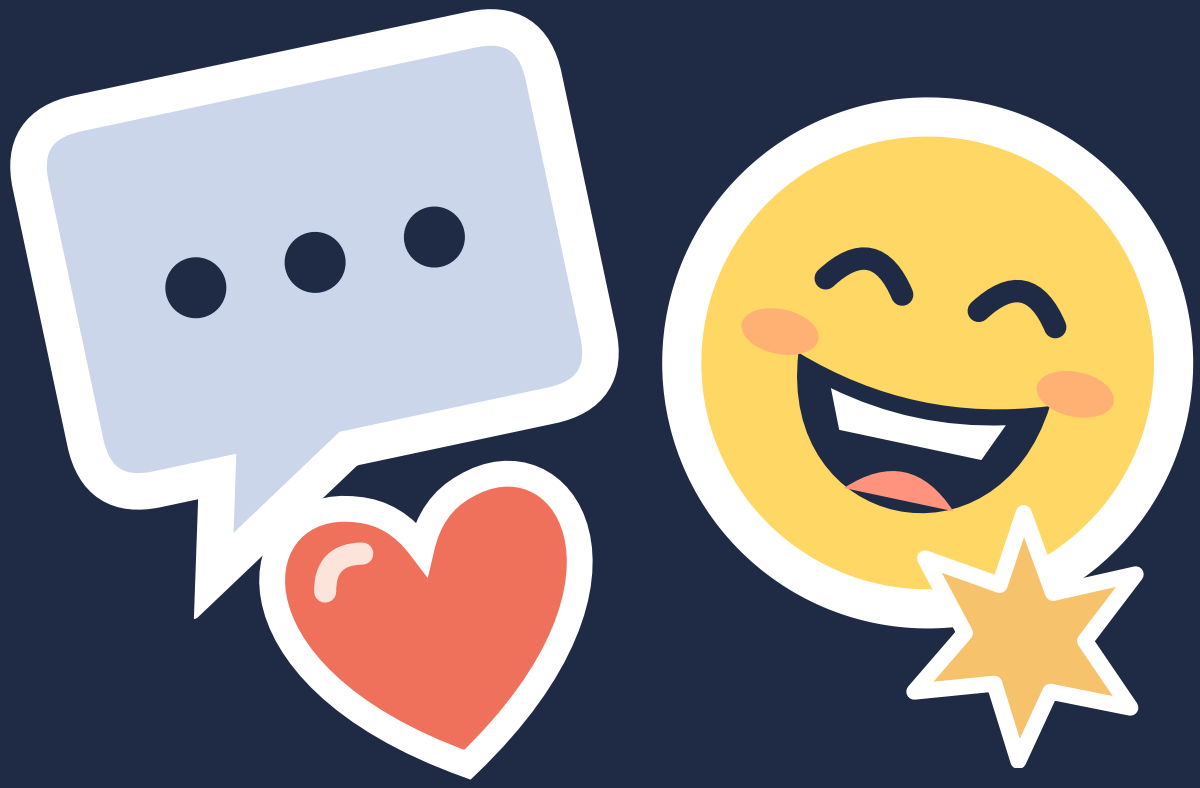
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2023 to 2025

The Wrong Ferry



Emma & Leo

2023 TO 2025

The Wrong Ferry

Emma & Leo

1,737 messages · 416 days · 2 people





CHAPTER 1

Burnt cookies

March 11, 2023

March 2023, the night after Sophie's birthday. Leo sends the first message; the subject is Emma's cookies.

March 11, 2023

L Leo 11:41 PM

Hi, it's Leo. The guy from Sophie's birthday who critiqued the cookies 🤦‍♂️

E Emma 11:44 PM

I baked those cookies, by the way 😐

L Leo 11:44 PM

...

L Leo 11:45 PM

They were delicious. Especially the burnt bits. Very characterful.

Burnt cookies

March 11, 2023

E Emma 11:47 PM

Nice try 😂

E Emma 11:47 PM

But as an excuse to get my number: not bad

L Leo 11:49 PM

Not an excuse. Research. Next time I need to review the burnt cookies in person

E Emma 11:52 PM

Next time? 🙂

L Leo 11:52 PM

Coffee? This week? I'll bring the cookies. Unburnt.

E Emma 11:55 PM

Thursday works. By the pier?

L Leo 11:55 PM

Thursday, the pier. Deal ☕

CHAPTER 2

The wrong ferry

March 16, 2023

The first date, at the pier. Emma is there on time; Leo is on a different ferry.

March 16, 2023

Emma 06:52 PM

I'm here, right by the pier

Leo 06:58 PM

Emma.

Leo 06:58 PM

Small problem

Emma 06:59 PM

What happened?

The wrong ferry

March 16, 2023

L **Leo** 07:00 PM

I got on the wrong ferry. I'm currently heading to the other side of the river 🙃

E **Emma** 07:00 PM

HAHAHAHA

E **Emma** 07:01 PM

First date, wrong ferry. Legendary

L **Leo** 07:02 PM

Coming straight back, 40 minutes. Please don't run away

E **Emma** 07:03 PM

Ordered a tea. Not running. But you'll be hearing about this for the rest of your life

The wrong ferry

March 16, 2023

L **Leo** 07:04 PM

The rest of my life? Noted 😌

L **Leo** 07:47 PM

Here. The embarrassed guy in the red scarf, that's me

E **Emma** 11:18 PM

Home. Today was really lovely

L **Leo** 11:19 PM

Despite the wrong ferry? 😅

E **Emma** 11:20 PM

Maybe because of it ❤️

CHAPTER 3

Chapter three < you

June 8, 2023

June 2023, just past one in the morning. Emma is stuck on chapter three of her thesis.

June 8, 2023

E Emma 01:12 AM

Chapter three of my thesis is going to kill me

E Emma 01:12 AM

I can't write anything. Same paragraph for three hours

L Leo 01:15 AM

You're still up?

L Leo 01:15 AM

Close the laptop. Ten minutes outside, then sleep. The paragraph will still be there in the morning, it's not running away

Chapter three < you

June 8, 2023

E **Emma** 01:17 AM

You sound like me: not running away, not running away

L **Leo** 01:18 AM

Learned from the best 😌

L **Leo** 08:05 AM

I left something at your door

E **Emma** 08:21 AM

Lentil soup and a note: 'Chapter three < you' 😭

Chapter three < you

June 8, 2023

E **Emma** 08:22 AM

How are you this sweet

L **Leo** 08:23 AM

Mum made the soup, I wrote the note. Division of labour

E **Emma** 07:40 PM

Chapter three is DONE!!! 🎉

L **Leo** 07:41 PM

Knew it 👏👏

CHAPTER 4

The petrol-station toastie

August 19, 2023

August 2023. On his way to Emma, Leo's car gives up.

August 19, 2023

L Leo 02:02 PM

The car died 30 km before the coast 🙃

E Emma 02:03 PM

Died how?

L Leo 02:03 PM

Just stopped. Quietly. A dignified death

E Emma 02:04 PM

Leo 😂 are you okay?

The petrol-station toastie

August 19, 2023

L **Leo** 02:05 PM

I'm fine. Tow truck in two hours. I'm sitting at a petrol station

L **Leo** 02:31 PM

Best cheese toastie of my life. The tea's not bad either

E **Emma** 02:33 PM

You take the wrong ferry, the car breaks down, but you always end up finding a toastie

L **Leo** 02:34 PM

My life philosophy

The petrol-station toastie

August 19, 2023

E **Emma** 02:40 PM

I'm coming to get you. Borrowed Sophie's car. Save me a toastie

L **Leo** 02:41 PM

I'm waiting for you. So is your toastie ❤️

E **Emma** 04:12 PM

Here. You must be the happiest man at this petrol station

CHAPTER 5

The constitution

November 5, 2023

November 2023, a Sunday. Does pineapple belong on pizza?

November 5, 2023

E Emma 10:14 AM

Making pizza tonight. With pineapple

L Leo 10:15 AM

Emma. We need to talk

E Emma 10:15 AM

Here we go 🙄

L Leo 10:16 AM

I need to rethink my future with someone who puts pineapple on pizza

The constitution

November 5, 2023

E **Emma** 10:16 AM

Without pineapple it's just bread with tomato, Leo

L **Leo** 10:17 AM

With pineapple it's fruit salad

E **Emma** 10:17 AM

Fruit salad?? 😂

L **Leo** 10:18 AM

I don't know, I panicked

E **Emma** 10:20 AM

Compromise: half with, half without. I'm drawing a line down the middle

The constitution

November 5, 2023

L **Leo** 10:21 AM

This is now the constitution of this relationship

E **Emma** 10:21 AM

Article 1: The tray has borders 🍕

L **Leo** 10:22 AM

Article 2: Leo always gets the half without

L **Leo** 10:46 AM

Border violation! There's pineapple on my side 😤

Only yesterday

January 23, 2024

January 23, 2024

L **Leo** 11:53 PM

Miss you

E **Emma** 11:55 PM

You saw me yesterday 😂

L **Leo** 11:59 PM

Still

CHAPTER 6

Thirds

February 17, 2024

February 2024. Emma is about to meet Leo's grandma.

February 17, 2024

E Emma 12:30 PM

Do you think your grandma will like me? 😬

L Leo 12:31 PM

Impossible for her not to. One tip: never say no to seconds

E Emma 12:31 PM

And thirds?

L Leo 12:32 PM

Thirds makes you officially family

Thirds

February 17, 2024

E **Emma** 12:32 PM

Goal: thirds 💪

L **Leo** 07:05 PM

Grandma just called

E **Emma** 07:05 PM

And???

L **Leo** 07:06 PM

She said 'that girl is clever, you look after her'. And she wants the cookie recipe. The burnt one 😂

Thirds

February 17, 2024

E **Emma** 07:07 PM

Those cookies have followed me since Sophie's birthday

E **Emma** 07:07 PM

But I had thirds. Officially family 😌

L **Leo** 07:08 PM

Officially ❤️

CHAPTER 7

Crumble

April 13, 2024

April 2024, at the shelter. A grey cat is looking at Emma; all that's missing is a name.

April 13, 2024

E Emma 03:02 PM

At the shelter. Look at this grey thing looking at me

L Leo 03:04 PM

No

L Leo 03:04 PM

I mean... Yes

L Leo 03:04 PM

When do we pick her up?

Crumble

April 13, 2024

E **Emma** 03:05 PM

😭😭 Today!!! We need a name

L **Leo** 03:06 PM

Cookie

E **Emma** 03:06 PM

The burnt one? 😂

L **Leo** 03:07 PM

Toastie?

E **Emma** 03:07 PM

We are not naming our cat after petrol station food

Crumble

April 13, 2024

E **Emma** 03:09 PM

Crumble

L **Leo** 03:09 PM

...okay that's perfect

L **Leo** 03:10 PM

Crumble. Welcome 🐈

CHAPTER 8

Bonus screws

September 7, 2024

September 2024, the first days in their shared flat. Leo builds the wardrobe.

September 7, 2024

L Leo 04:20 PM

Wardrobe's up

E Emma 04:22 PM

Amazing! Why are the doors crooked?

L Leo 04:22 PM

Artistic

L Leo 04:23 PM

Also there are six screws left over

Bonus screws

September 7, 2024

E **Emma** 04:23 PM

Leo. There are no leftover screws

L **Leo** 04:24 PM

The wardrobe stands without them. These are bonus screws

E **Emma** 04:26 PM

Wrong ferry, broken car, bonus screws. Never a dull moment with you

L **Leo** 04:27 PM

It's our first shared wardrobe, by the way

Bonus screws

September 7, 2024

E **Emma** 04:27 PM

In our flat 🏠

L **Leo** 04:28 PM

In our flat ❤️

E **Emma** 09:50 PM

Crumble has moved into the wardrobe. I think she approves

Home yet?

March 2023 to April 2025

For two years, almost every evening, the same question.

March 15, 2023

L Leo 09:08 PM

Home yet?

E Emma 09:11 PM

Home 🏠

July 19, 2023

L Leo 06:45 PM

Home yet?

E Emma 06:49 PM

Home 🏠

Home yet?

March 20, 2024

L **Leo** 08:03 PM

Home yet?

E **Emma** 08:37 PM

Home 🏠

September 23, 2024

L **Leo** 06:45 PM

Home yet?

E **Emma** 06:48 PM

Home 🏠

April 22, 2025

L **Leo** 04:36 PM

Home yet?

E **Emma** 04:37 PM

Home 🏠

CHAPTER 9

Fever first

December 10, 2024

December 2024. Emma has a high fever; Leo has an important presentation the same day.

December 10, 2024

E Emma 11:02 AM

I've got a fever, 38.9 🥴

L Leo 11:03 AM

Coming right now

E Emma 11:03 AM

You've got your presentation, stay. Crumble is looking after me

L Leo 11:04 AM

Presentation is 45 minutes. Then pharmacy, then you

Fever first

December 10, 2024

L Leo 12:58 PM

Presentation done. At the pharmacy. Chamomile or sage?

E Emma 01:00 PM

Chamomile. And clementines 🍊

L Leo 01:40 PM

At the door, stay in bed. I've got a key

E Emma 01:41 PM

How did the presentation go?

L Leo 01:41 PM

Fever first, presentation later

E Emma 10:15 PM

Fever down to 37.4. Thank you for everything ❤️

L Leo 10:16 PM

Always. Sleep now. I've hidden the clementines from Crumble

CHAPTER 10

Get the right ferry

February 20, 2025

February 2025. Leo has the promotion; where to celebrate is obvious.

February 20, 2025

L **Leo** 05:32 PM

I GOT THE PROMOTION!!!

E **Emma** 05:32 PM

WHAAAT 🎉🎉🎉

E **Emma** 05:33 PM

I knew it! That presentation in December!

L **Leo** 05:34 PM

The one I gave while you had a fever 😅

Get the right ferry

February 20, 2025

E **Emma** 05:34 PM

Celebration tonight. My treat

L **Leo** 05:35 PM

By the pier? 🙂

E **Emma** 05:35 PM

By the pier. Get the right ferry this time 😂

L **Leo** 05:36 PM

You've said that every single time for two years

E **Emma** 05:36 PM

I did say: for the rest of your life 😌

CHAPTER 11

Burnt on purpose

March 11, 2025

11 March 2025, two years after the first message. Something is burning in the kitchen.

March 11, 2025

L Leo 06:10 PM

Don't come into the kitchen

E Emma 06:10 PM

Why does it smell like burning? 😂

L Leo 06:11 PM

On purpose. That's the recipe

L Leo 06:12 PM

Two years ago today: burnt cookies. Happy anniversary, sunshine ☀️

Burnt on purpose

March 11, 2025

E **Emma** 06:13 PM

I'm crying right now

E **Emma** 06:13 PM

Grandma's recipe?

L **Leo** 06:14 PM

Grandma had your recipe, I got it from her. Full circle

E **Emma** 06:15 PM

Happy anniversary ❤️ You're my favourite burnt cookie

CHAPTER 12

The right ferry

June 14, 2025 to June 15, 2025

June 2025. Leo asks Emma to take the ferry across with him.

June 14, 2025

L Leo 05:50 PM

Fancy taking the ferry across today?

E Emma 05:51 PM

Which ferry? 😏

L Leo 05:51 PM

The right one. I promise

E Emma 05:52 PM

Okay. 7pm at the pier

L Leo 06:58 PM

Man in the red scarf is here

The right ferry

June 14, 2025

E **Emma** 06:59 PM

A scarf in June?? 😂

L **Leo** 06:59 PM

There's a reason

E **Emma** 10:47 PM

I have to write this down or I won't believe it

E **Emma** 10:47 PM

I said YES 💍

E **Emma** 10:48 PM

On the right ferry, in the red scarf, with a burnt cookie in his pocket

The right ferry

June 14, 2025

L **Leo** 10:49 PM

You said I'd be hearing about it for the rest of my life. I'm ready to listen for the rest of my life ❤️

E **Emma** 10:50 PM

Shall we tell Crumble?

L **Leo** 10:50 PM

She already knew. I hid the ring in the wardrobe 😅

June 15, 2025

L **Leo** 08:04 AM

Morning, fiancée ☀️

E **Emma** 08:06 AM

I will never get tired of hearing that

E **Emma** 08:06 AM

Morning, fiancé ❤️

CHAPTER 13

Your chat in numbers

Period
March 2023 to June 2025

Messages
1,737

Active days
416

Longest streak
9 days

10-minute record
13

Who wrote how much?



CHAPTER 13

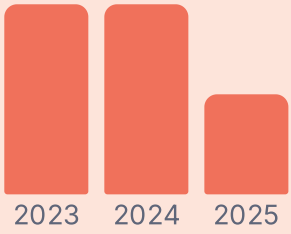
The two of you



174

times “I love you”

Leo 87 · **Emma** 87



Firsts

March 11, 2023 **First message** Leo

March 16, 2023 **First heart** Emma

March 18, 2023 **First “good night”** Emma

March 20, 2023 **First “good morning”** Emma

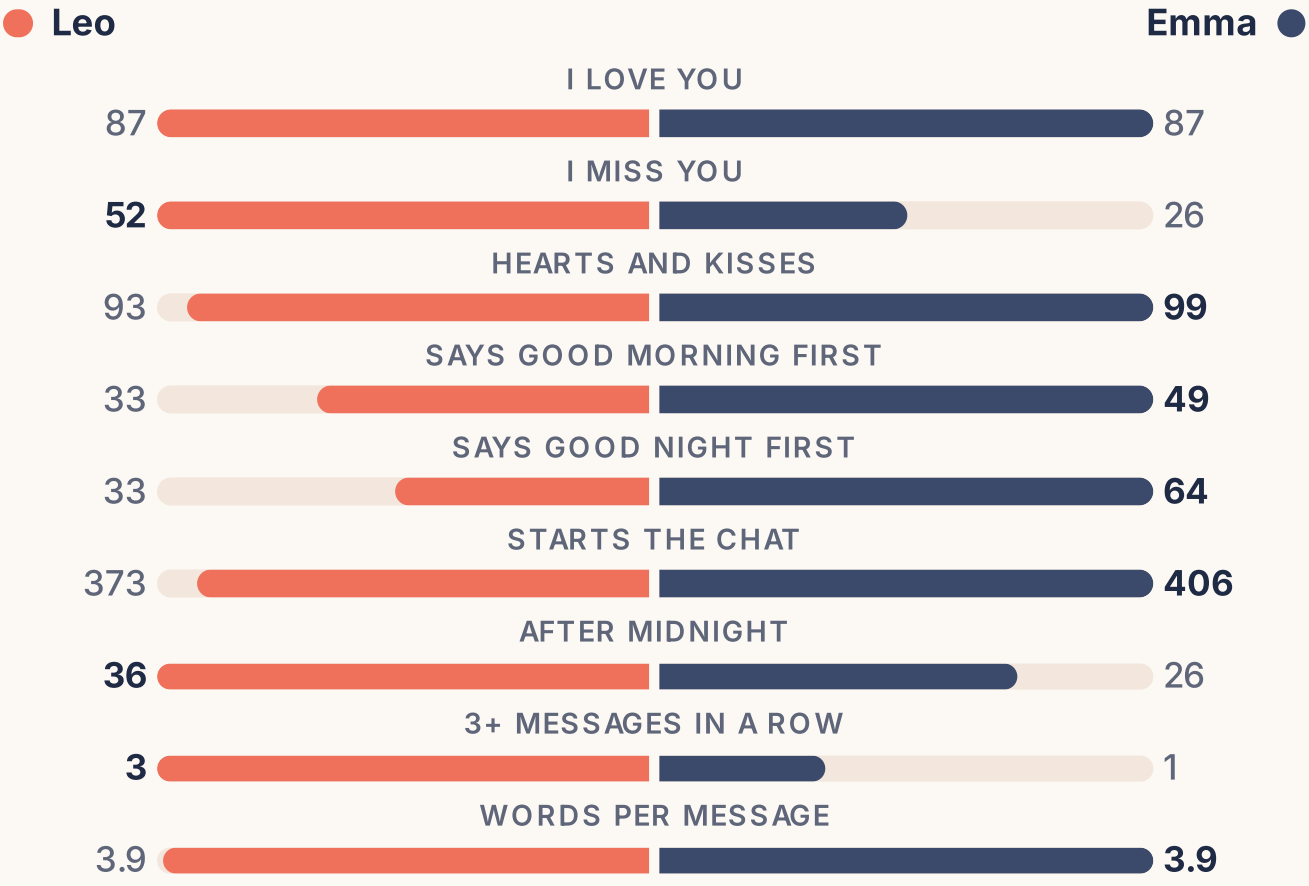
July 2, 2023 **First “I love you”** Leo

July 5, 2023 **First “I miss you”** Leo

CHAPTER 13

The two of you

Who more?



How fast you reply



Leo

2.5 min

median reply

ring: within 5 min



Emma

2 min

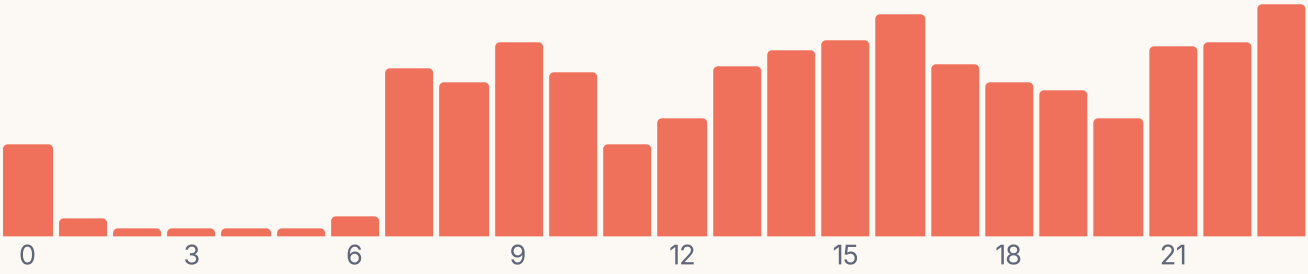
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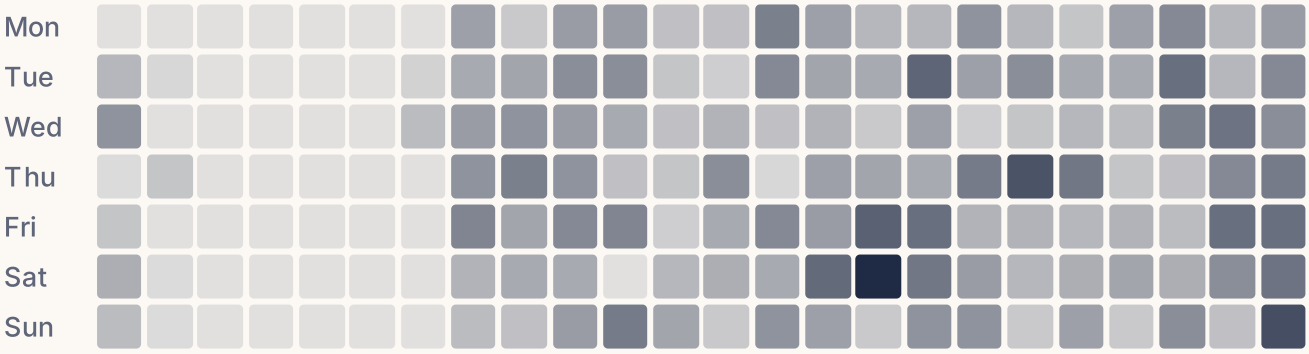
CHAPTER 13

A map of your time

Messages by hour



Weekday × hour



Year by year

2023	654
2024	719
2025	364

CHAPTER 13

Speed & emoji

Active-day rate
50%

Median reply
2 min

Replies within 5 min
93%

Short messages
50%

Per active day
4.2

Top emoji
😂

Favourite emoji per person

Leo ❤️ 61 😌 44 ✅ 36 🍫 36 ☕ 35

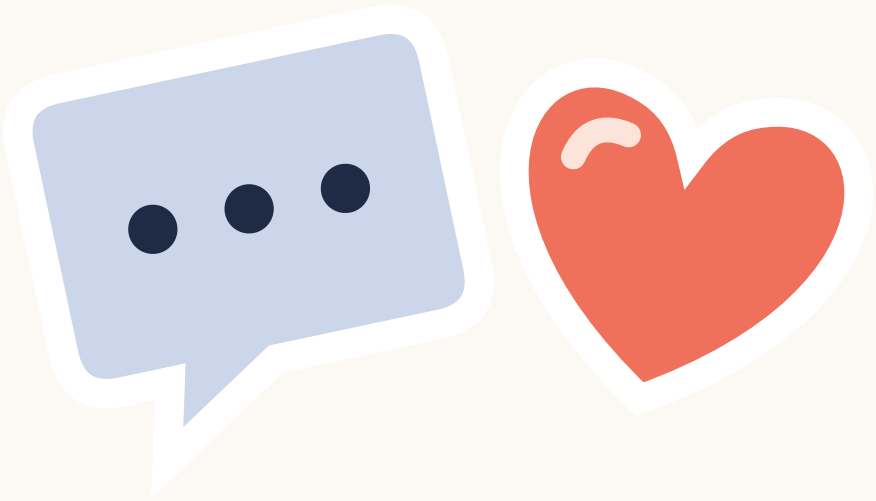
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CHAPTER 13

Your own words

Whose words?

„morning sunshine“	Leo's 49×
„five more“	Emma's 40×
„pasta again“	Emma's 35×
„before coffee“	Emma's 34×



After 1,737 messages.

And the conversation goes on.