

of love and death

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- I wish I were taller.
- You also wish I never die.
- What's your point?
- Santa Claus must really hate you.

- What's the most ridiculous thing someone's ever asked you?
- Please never die.
- But you promised!

- I just want to go to sleep, I'm frustrated.
- Don't you want something to eat?
- No. I don't want anything, I don't want anything! I want to forget this whole damned day, I want to erase all the conversations I've had, the walls I've run into. No one cares anymore in this damn country! I don't know what to think anymore, I'm tired babe, I want to go to sleep but I'm too pissed off so I won't be able to sleep until I conquer this feeling and I don't even know where to start.
- Do you want a ham and cheese sandwich?
- Don't forget the bechamel sauce, it drives me crazy!

- Do you think I'm a coward?
- No.
- ...I'm not convinced by your answer.
- What did you want me to say?
- I'm not sure, but it didn't convince me.
- Ask me again.

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- Do you think I'm a coward?
- I'm not sure I know what a coward looks like now that I think about it.
- You don't?
- No, I have not the slightest idea to be honest.
- So how do you know I'm not a coward?
- I don't, sorry baby.

- Do you think I'm crazy?
- I'm not sure where to draw the line here.
- Would you still love me?
- Madly.

- Why do you sleep so far away from me, love?
- I don't know, but please don't get angry with me, it's all my subconscious' wrongdoing, I'm just the messenger.

- Come.
- I'm comfortable here, I'm reading.
- OK.
- Do you want me to come?
- No, stay.
- OK, I'll come.
- I don't want to anymore.
- Make up your mind woman!
- Stay there!
- Ok, I'll go.
- Do whatever you want.

- But I'll sit here in the hallway, on the carpet, it's more comfortable this way. I can watch you bathe without disturbing your peace, I love looking at your beautiful shoulders, specially when they are covered in bubbles. I wish I could remember you this way, I wish life were as simple as this foolish moment...

- I love you, OK?

