

Woman in a Film Running to Save Her Love

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If she does not get to him in time,
all is lost.

She realized too late
that she needed him.

I personally don't have that much stamina.
I'd run for a while then continue at a steady jog.

I'll probably miss the opportunity,
and be lonely forever.

Accompanied only by my Norton Anthology from 1990,
and by endless cups of coffee.

I just can't run that fast,
and have in any case

grown accustomed to my loneliness.
It is a part of me more than you ever will.

