

## Relationships

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### I

Relationships... beginning... paying attention... taking a chance... dating... sharing my thoughts... opening myself to possibilities... exposing sensibilities... trusting sensibilities... communicating... wanting to say okay... liking... romancing... kissing... receiving flowers... phones calls to say hello... smiles... dancing in the mirror to the music in my heart... looking good... laughing at the silly... respecting the mistakes... not counting the errors... remembering to say okay... loving... making promises... knowing when to... and when not to... forgiving... compromising... not having to win... wanting to be happy... ignoring the obvious... not exposing sensitivities too often... needing to say okay... missing... codependency... hypocritical... changing... what do you mean not tonight... not changing... working too hard for peace of mind... arguing... tears... blood is thicker than water... screaming... cheaper to keep her... away... can't say another okay... questioning myself... love lost... the end... Relationships.

### II

Relationships... parting is such sweet unhappiness... lost in a garden maze... the smell of red roses and sharp thorns... a heart torn to pieces... of a dream lost forever... you said we would be forever... running back to the beginning to see... when we were happiest... a kiss could heal the pain... of so many women and men... in the sea of love... you... are not right for me... you... him... selfishness... hurts... dying inside... the soul will remember... laughing at the end... so close to the beginning... Relationships.