

Never Tear Us Apart

Don't ask me
What you know is true
Don't have to tell you
I love your precious heart

I.....I was standing
You were there
Two worlds collided
And they could never tear us
apart

We could live for a thousand
years
But if I hurt you
I'd make wine from your tears

I told you
That we could fly
Cause we all have wings
But some of us don't know why

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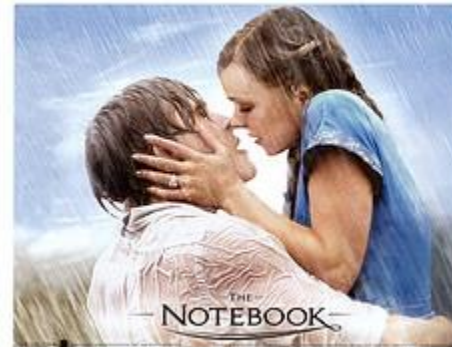
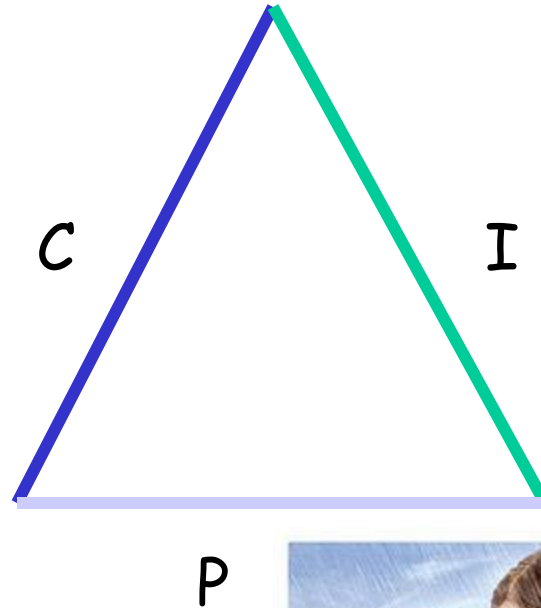


LOVE

The word "LOVE" is rendered in large, 3D, glossy letters. The 'L' is purple, the 'O' is a bright, glowing orange-yellow, the 'V' is pink, and the 'E' is purple. The background is dark with faint, glowing musical notes and a small, bare tree branch. A small, glowing heart is visible near the 'O'.

WHAT
IS 
LOVE?

STERNBERG'S TRIANGULAR THEORY OF LOVE



COMPONENTS OF RELATIONSHIPS

1. INTIMACY = feelings of closeness and connection. Use of higher levels of communication.

2. PASSION = physical attraction and sexual attraction. The drives that lead to romance.

Involves a high degree of physical arousal and an intense desire to be with the loved one.

Passion develops rapidly and then slows down

COMPONENTS OF RELATIONSHIPS (cont.)

3. COMMITMENT = a decision that one cares for another and wishes to maintain a relationship.

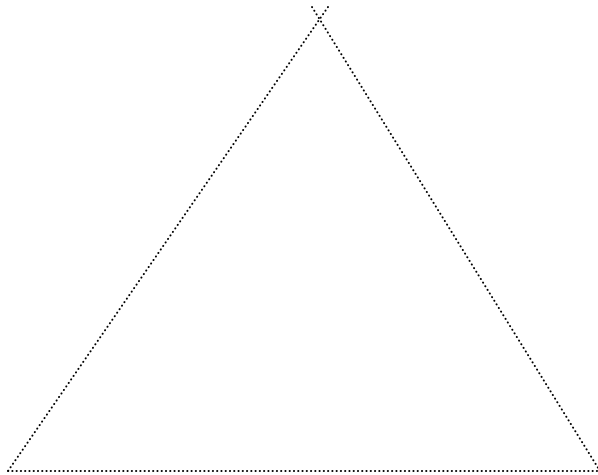
8 POSSIBLE LOVE RELATIONSHIPS

Intimacy, passion and commitment are the warm, hot and cold vertices of Sternberg's love triangle.

Alone and in combination they give rise to 8 possible kinds of love relationships.

1. Nonlove:

The absence of all three components.



Example:

a large majority of our relationships

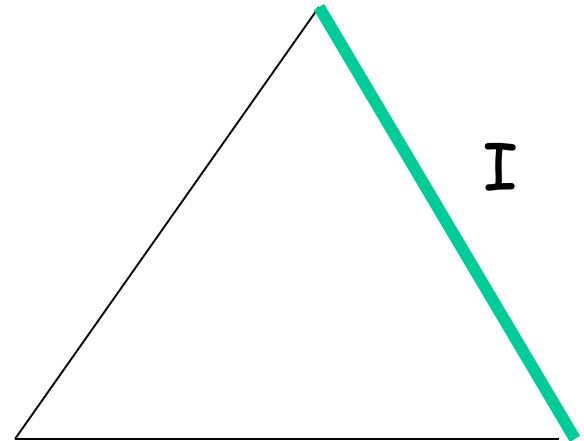
Casual interactions

2. Liking:

- Feelings experienced in true friendship.
- Liking includes such things as closeness and warmth but not the intense feelings of passion

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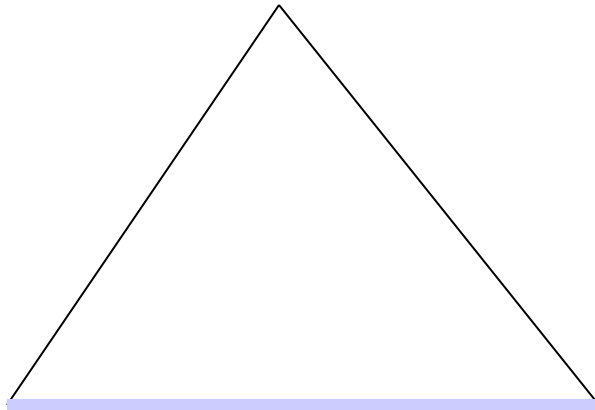
very best friends



3. Infatuation:

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT.

It involves a high degree of physiological arousal. Without development of intimacy or commitment, relationship will flame out.

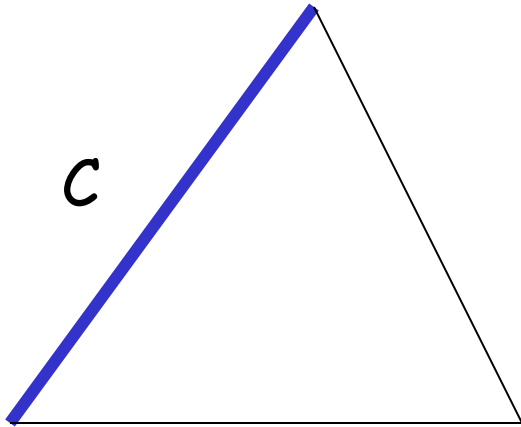


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Example:

10th grader in love with a beautiful 12th grade girl but won't ask her out.

4. Empty love:

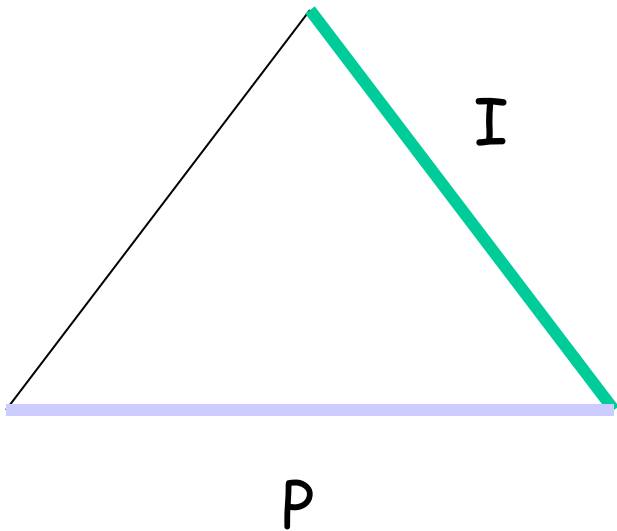


Commitment without intimacy or passion. They used to be passionate but it died out.

Example:

30 year old marriage
They stay together
because...

5. Romantic love:

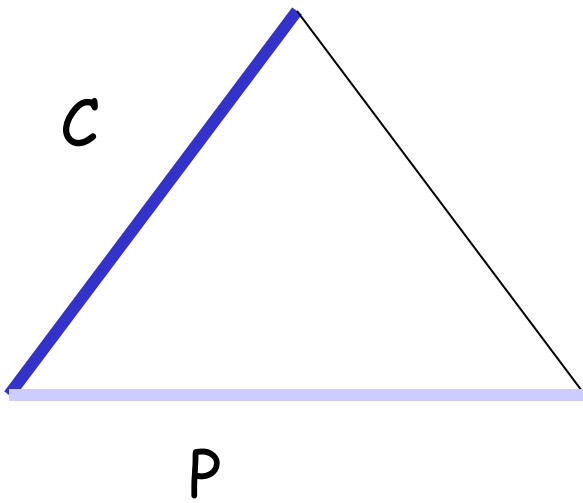


Intimacy and passion.
More than infatuation
it's liking with the
added excitement of
physical attraction
but without
commitment

Example:

Summer affair

6. Fatuous love:



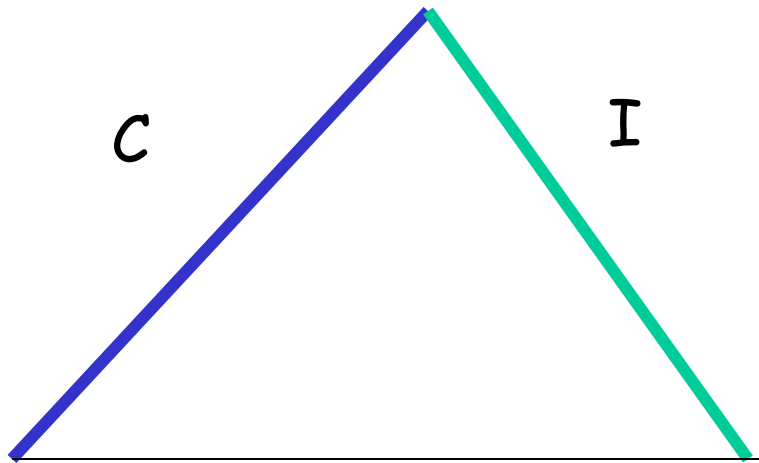
Commitment plus passion

This type of love rarely works. The stabilizing core of intimacy is missing

Example:

Whirlwind marriage

7. Companionate love:

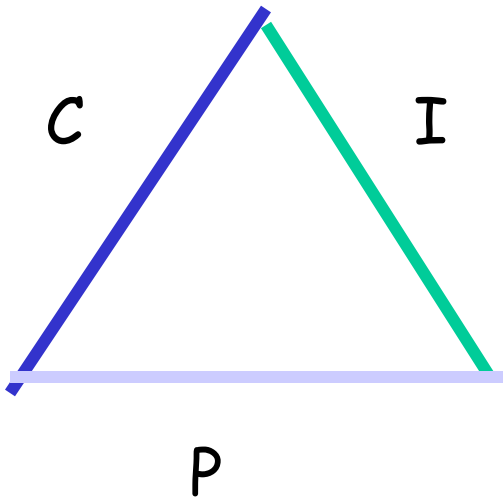


Example:
80 year old
couples

Intimacy plus commitment
This type of love lacks passion. Love for family members is a form of this love, as is love for platonic, very close friends.

Some marriages can become this type of love over time.

8. Consummate love:



Also known as complete love. When all three elements of the triangle come together in a relationship. This is difficult but not impossible to achieve.

Example:

Only very special relationships
get here

Upon hearing that her college roommate got married to a guy that she met over the weekend in Atlantic City, Brittney felt that the marriage was unwise. She considered their whirlwind courtship to be an example of

- A. Infatuated love
- B. Consummate
- C. Fatuous
- D. romantic
- E. Companionate