

# TRULOVE LTD.

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## **The Characters**

**Talia**- Divorced plus two, age 43

**The Voice**- The Algorithm

**Yahli**- a sensitive young man

**LiLi**- the youthful cleaner

## **The place**

A virtual dating arena

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**Lights go up on Talia, trying to identify a mysterious sound**

Talia – The Ocean

The Voice- the ocean?

Talia- The Ocean. The depths of the ocean. Does that apply?

Talia- Do many people say "the Depths"

The Voice- I can't reveal details of other users. Next Question. What is Beautiful?

Talia- What is beautiful? Wow. Winter. I love the winter. Purifying, pouring rain, hitting hills of vegetation raging in the wind-

The Voice- And in one word?

Talia- In one word? Storm. A dramatic storm, like in Scotland. A view of remote beaches, over a turbulent, gray sea. And that silence, after the-

The Voice- So in a word, Nature?

Talia- Well, sure, Nature... There are other things-

The Voice- Next question. If I were an animal, I would be-

Talia- An antelope

The voice- Very well. Now, how do you feel?

Talia- Oh, don't even ask, this weekend I had the kids. They fight constantly, and I find myself screaming like crazy and then feeling guilty. Regardless, I feel guilty-

The Voice- So, in one word, Excited?

Talia- excited?...

The voice- Yes. You are about to meet the one. The One.

Talia- oh, yes... yes

The Voice- TRULOVE saves you the time and agony over all kinds of redundant relationships. We are not JDate here, so you don't have to experience endless dates or heartbreaks. You get precisely The One that is compatible for you, so you must be excited.

Talia- very much so

The Voice- So please, tell me a little about yourself

Talia- OK. I was born 40 years ago, in Haifa. I went to Law school, but that didn't work out, I work for a non-profit organization for youth in-

The Voice- In one word, Divorced?

Talia- ah, yea... but the divorce is quite respectable. We honor each other and-

The Voice- Moving on, What are you searching for?

Talia- Oh, That's a good question!

The voice- thank you

Talia- well, I'm looking for a man who is not bitter, not hostile, not stingy, not balding. He can be bald, but not balding, it's really hard for them, the in-between. Someone with strong character. Yet flexible.

The voice- So, Flexible?

Talia- Yes, Sympathetic. Deep. Not competitive, but assertive, charismatic, handsome, sporty but not sweaty, who's into cooking, but leaves a clean kitchen behind. Someone who enjoys life and humor,

The Voice- Life And Humor are three words

Talia- Someone to spice up my life,

The voice- And in A Word?

Talia- Light. Empathetic. Forgiving. A good listener, who loves to cuddle, I find caressing soothing

The voice- So, in so many words, Love?

Talia- OH. Sure... Love... It sounds like a cliché when you put it like that

The Voice- Mathematically, clichés have value as much as anything

Talia- maybe, but I'm not talking about flowers, and heart shaped chocolates on a corny "romantic" hotel from a magazine

The Voice- Don't you love flowers?

Talia- I do

The Voice- And hazelnut drizzle bitter chocolate?

Talia- That's my favorite-

The Voice- But of course. Look, The algorithm uses deep neuronal networks to absorb your personal nuances, turn them into numbers, and analyze them along with trillions of data, in both controlled and uncontrolled machine learning-

Talia- Yes, I read so on The Marker,

The Voice- And at the same time criticizes himself with cross force, so there is no room for error. You simply cannot argue with **the numbers**. So, Tuna, or Avocado?

Talia- What, oh, Avocado. I can't stomach tuna

The Voice- Cash, or credit?

Talia- I thought TruLove is free

The Voice- Very well. Now, while I open your account and process your request, all you have to do is agree to Absolute Satisfaction

Talia- I agree

The Voice- Your Username?

Talia- Talia

The Voice- Welcome to your TruLove Talia, Please close your eyes, and imagine the perfect relationship

**Talia does so**

The Voice- OK... Yea...Yes, I see...

**Music**