

The Date Podcast

Episode #19 – You should be kissed and often...

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Emma and Zorric share if they kiss on the first date. She says yes to 20% of the time kissing on the first date and he says yes to 60% of the time. Should you just go for the kiss if things are going well? What should you do if you think the first kiss becomes awkward?

Transcript:

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Zorric: Hey! This is Zorric.

Emma: And Emma.

Zorric: Hosts of The Date Podcast. We're so excited to do another show for you today. We have a few thought provoking topics we like to discuss. Emma, kiss me right now.

Emma: No. I like kissing, but I don't want to kiss you.

Zorric: Oh! Thanks a lot. Well, we're going to talk about kissing, what it means, and how to do it.

Emma: Right. Like first date, second date, never?

Zorric: Any date.

Emma: Oh!

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: Cool.

Zorric: Meeting at the first time, then you slap a kiss on somebody like--

Emma: ♪ Kissed for the very first time ♪

Zorric: Is that Madonna?

Emma: Yeah, but it's touched. I just changed it to "kissed."

Zorric: Touched. Oh, okay. You're so smart.

Emma: Are we allowed to do that?

Zorric: We'll erase that.

Emma: Oops!

Zorric: Oops. Okay.

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Zorric: Alright. Now for the fun stuff. What do you have, Emma?

Emma: Well. So, Jada Pinkett-Smith has this--I'm going to call it a show just because it's better to call it that. On this show, she calls it, "The Red Table Talk," and she gets pretty intimate about things. Like she asked her husband, Will Smith's ex-wife to be on the show to discuss their history and how the divorce affected then.

Zorric: That is weird.

Emma: You think it's weird?

Zorric: That's weird! To talk to your--so, if I was someone's wife and I was going to talk to his ex-wife about other information, I guess for me it's like, "I don't want to know!" But maybe for some people, it's different.

Emma: So, from my perspective, from my therapist perspective, I think it's helpful for you to have a good relationship with your spouse's ex, whoever that is. Because, especially if you have children together, which Will Smith does with his ex-wife, Sheree Zampino, you know if they have a child together like you are like joined for the rest of your lives. Like it's not an 18-year-and-done thing, it's until you guys are dead, basically, right?

Zorric: So morbid.

Emma: I know, but it's the truth. Because it just shows the timeline of things. So, for me, I think it's awesome that like she has a better relationship with her. That they have a good relationship with each other because I think it benefits the kids in the family. And just think like, for you, to be in that perspective let's say you're divorced and you have an ex-wife and you have a current wife, and you have kids together, do you want there to be friction?

Zorric: Not sexual.

Emma: Do you want there be like a conflict between y'all, like emotional and communication lines?

Zorric: No, of course not.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: So, I just think this is awesome that she was able to do that. To talk about her and, you know, admit things that she would have done differently if she could go back when they got divorced, when Will and his ex-wife got divorced, and then like when they got together.

Emma: Yeah, that's interesting. So, did that air yet or are they just talking about?

Emma: This show has aired already. Her last show was she had her mom and her two kids, and they all sat down and spoke together about parenting styles and what they could have done differently. Parenting versus like what they have--like what Jada learned from her mom. What she wished she would have done differently. So, it's really cool to kind of like to see.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: I think so. You're turning me on to that idea and it sounds good to me now.

Emma: I'm not a big believer like you--like if you're divorced, the person does not go away after you divorce. The person is with you the rest of your life, especially if you have kids. So, why--what is the point of making it tumultuous more choice? What is the point of making it difficult for everyone? Like it doesn't make sense. Like you're not going to agree on everything, so work towards communicating. Work towards embracing each other, and work towards becoming like this beautiful blended family that, you know, can thrive and be like most wonderful for your children.

Zorric: I agree.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: I just went on my tidbit, sorry.

Zorric: She was being a therapist at the moment.

Emma: I sure was, y'all.

Zorric: So, alright. Emma!

Emma: Yes?

Zorric: Today is about kissing.

Emma: Ooh!

Zorric: And it's inspired by a few articles. One is by Rachael Shatto. It says, "What Kissing on The First Date Means, According to An Expert." So, Emma--

Emma: Ooh. Can we talk about how this--how we chose this topic?

Zorric: Oh, okay.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: So, Emma--

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: Had a wine tasting and it was awesome. It was French wine.

Emma: Yes, it was French wine.

Zorric: I think we were just bantering back and forth and something came up, and it was about kissing and dating and kissing. I think I was talking about kissing on the first date, and then there was like a pretty big debate about, like half of the room said, "Yes, I do!" Half the room said, "No."

Emma: Can y'all guess which half I was?

Zorric: You were--if I was the audience, if my name was Bert, I would say, "Emma probably does not kiss on the first date." Am I right?

Emma: Ding! Ding! Ding!

Zorric: There you go. There you go. So, before we start, what's your philosophy on that? On the first date kissing.

Emma: I don't kiss on the first date. Because for me, it's about like the build up to the kiss. Yes. I romanticize the kiss. Like I want it to be unplanned. I wanted to just be like fun for me, like I want to think about it after I'm done. Like when I'm driving home. I want to think about it and like fantasize about it even more.

Zorric: Okay.

Emma: So, for me, it's not about the fact that like my role was like, "Oh, you shouldn't be on the first kiss." My thought on that is like I want to prolong this as much as I can because I just feel like to me just adds on to the magic more.

Zorric: You want to make him want it like, "I want to kiss you so bad."

Emma: Because I also want it. I also want it. It just makes it like magical.

Zorric: Yeah. It's like buying a snack and just like saving it, like not eat it right away.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: Just getting these things, and these emotions and feelings about, "Oh, my gosh. I want to eat it up."

Emma: Right.

Zorric: In this case, for Emma, it's a man.

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: It's a different story. Okay. So, for me, I as, a man, I'd say, "Do what you feel."

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: You've got to feel it. If you feel like it's going well, do it if. If you don't, then I would shy away.

Emma: If you feel like you're going to get slapped--

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: No.

Zorric: Yeah. Physical violence. We do not condone that on any side of the fence. But Rachel Shatto, she posted some questions. I like the first one here, it says: "Does a kiss on the first date actually mean anything anymore?" Emma, go.

Emma: Uhm, I guess. I guess it could mean something. Yeah, that's my answer.

Zorric: Okay, you guess.

Emma: What about you?

Zorric: I think my philosophy is, it's sort of a stamp of approval.

Emma: Oh!

Zorric: Yeah. Like two lips just stamping together like, "I approve!"

Emma: Like what the queen does to like all the products in England. She has to like approve them all.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: So, just like the queen. To me, that's what I think, and also, you know, maybe you wanted to see if his breath really smelled that bad.

Emma: Eww! I don't want to know!

Zorric: But you know, from another standpoint, think about it, it's like two strangers pressing their lips together. It's like a romantic handshake. Can you imagine that? Why are you speechless? I'm just giving you my thoughts, okay?

Emma: I know. I'm trying to envision your words right now, and I'm like--it's so weird. A romantic handshake.

Zorric: It's like as a kid. Yeah, it's like you can do it. Yeah, that's what it is to me.

Emma: But then that's meaningless because it's a handshake like--

Zorric: With your lips, though.

Emma: Okay, but like a handshake is just like a formality. So, you're saying that kissing on the first date is just something that has to happen on the first date?

Zorric: No, but it's romantic, okay? It's very romantic, and some people do this just to test the waters. To see if there's some sort of potential romance. If you feel that--we talk about sparks and chemistry and all that, you know, how the movies there's like fireworks and all of that when you kiss that person. So, I think people do it to test that and--

Emma: To see if there's actually like romance there?

Zorric: Yeah, yeah.

Emma: I mean, yes, I can see that. If the date is going really well, and there's a lot of chemistry and like the night is going well, and you're wanting to test it out, I can definitely see you ending with the kiss.

Zorric: Yeah, and then I guess ending with this question, it's yes or no. Does it mean anything, Emma? Or is it a maybe?

Emma: That's a thing. If you're saying that it's a handshake with your lips.

Zorric: But this is your answer, not my answer. It's your answer. Like what's it for you? Does that mean anything anymore?

Emma: Kissing on the first date. This is tough because I said like I really don't kiss on the first date because like I want to prolong it, but like if it happened--

Zorric: I think it does. I think it just means that there's some attraction.

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: I mean that's it.

Emma: Am I over analyzing this right now?

Zorric: I think we both are.

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: Romantic handshake at that. The second question is: If the kiss was good, does that mean the date went well? Your opinion, Emma.

Emma: No. No.

Zorric: Why?

Emma: Because I think that sometimes people can use the kiss as a last resort to-

Zorric: Like a "Hail Mary!"

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: Like, "Everything's been going horrible. She talked the whole dinner. But you know what? I'm just going to make her." Or, "I'm just going to make out with him."

Zorric: Yeah, and this article goes on to say that if the guy was too confident, it could be that he's a serial dater. I disagree with that, because--

Emma: Why? Because you feel like you kiss confidently?

Zorric: But I mean when you do it, you just--

Emma: Wait. So, answer my question.

Zorric: Excuse me.

Emma: I asked it first.

Zorric: Okay. So, I don't know if it's confidence, you just go. You're like a kamikaze. Let's see if there you get the lips or you get the cheek. It goes in slow motion. Literally, like when you're going for the kiss, you go slow motion. Like anxiety, there's nervous, and then you see--

Emma: You're sweating happening, too.

Zorric: You're sweating, and then you see her turn her head to the left, but no! She straightens up! She straightens up. She sees me and then bam! Kiss. But it can also be a cheek, too.

Emma: So, you do kiss on the first date.

Zorric: I do. Depends. It depends! It depends on the feeling. It depends on the night. It depends if body language.

Emma: Because I can very confidently say that I have kissed maybe 20% of my first dates.

Zorric: Okay.

Emma: And that's me aiming high.

Zorric: Gotcha. I think mine is like 60%.

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: Yeah. A little bit more than more than half. And they go on to say that if there's awkwardness instead of confidence, then that's a good sign. I can't confirm that.

Emma: I don't know. I can confirm nor deny that statement either, because what if you're both just really good kissers and it just feels like a confident passionate kiss. Like it just like your timing was good, and you like locked lips at the appropriate time, instead of like getting half the lip and half the cheek, or whatever.

Zorric: Yeah. That's a good point. Awkward is good and we always talk about how awkwardness is going to happen during the date. No matter what stage, the first meeting, dinner, or at the kiss. So, she says if it was a little awkward then it's a clear indication that he or she likes you. I don't know if that's backed up by science.

Emma: You know looking both ways, again like if you guys, if the timing was off, it just happened to be an awkward kiss.

Zorric: Yeah, yeah.

Emma: It's a great story to tell the next day.

Zorric: Yeah. Also, it says here: What do different kinds of kisses mean? I was thinking about like French kiss, a peck on the cheek, but it's talking about just either a quick peck or romantic peck or making out. Right?

Emma: Who is pecking on the lips on the first date?

Zorric: Well, not you, obviously.

Emma: Obviously. But is that a thing? Like is that actually happening with people?

Zorric: Yeah!

Emma: Is that something that you do?

Zorric: It could be a goodbye kiss, but there's levels of romance,

Emma: But a peck on the lips is the goodbye kiss on the first date?

Zorric: Could be. It could be or it could be a passionate peck or longer than passionate. Like three, four, five second peck. It could be a make out session. So, it just depends on the level of I guess confidence in the guy, but I guess how they feel at the moment. It's like it's in the moment kind of thing.

Emma: I don't know how I feel by getting pecked on the lips on the first date. Like if I go for the kiss. But if he goes for kiss, like I want him to like--

Zorric: Oh, you want him to like pull your hair.

Emma: I don't want him to pull my hair, but I would like to not just have a peck. Because I think that that's more like boyfriend/girlfriend, like once you've established a relationship.

Zorric: I'm surprised you only kissed 20% of the time on the first date, because you show so much cleavage, we found out. What a bra!

Emma: You jerk! I don't show a lot of cleavage. It's just showing up.

Zorric: Okay.

Emma: It's just an appropriate amount, Zorric.

Zorric: That's kind of like, you know, like a yellow light. You know, you can proceed.

Emma: No. Just because they have a cake out on the cake stand, it does not mean that you can put your hand on the cake.

Zorric: Oh, okay. But you can kind of taste it.

Emma: But you can look at the cake, and you can ask for a slice, and then somebody will say yes or no.

Zorric: Okay, and that's what you do. Yes or no. Most of the time, no.

Emma: No.

Zorric: Okay. But I think a make out session could be you guys are just freaking drunk and just kind of sloppy.

Emma: Yeah. We've talked about that. That's not okay. Two drink max.

Zorric: Yeah. You can be drunk and make out, but you can also have a second, third, fourth date and you guys could--it could have been a good time, right? But then it could very well be a crappy time and you can be like, "What did I do?" Or, "What did she do?" And so, even if you make out all throughout the date, it doesn't mean you're going to have a second date or may not mean anything. That's what I'm trying to get at.

Emma: What if someone is just a serial kisser?

Zorric: I know. I didn't know that there are serial kissers out there.

Emma: Yeah. They just like to make out with people.

Zorric: Okay, and there are cuddlers out there, too, that just like to cuddle with people.

Emma: Yup.

Zorric: And there's a lot of things. I think this expert likes the normal kiss, and what is a normal kiss to you, Emma? Is that a peck?

Emma: No. I feel like it's probably lips without tongue.

Zorric: How about teeth? Teeth.

Emma: Just like a normal--there should not be any teeth clinking. Ow!

Zorric: Clink! It's like your cheers-ing.

Emma: Eww!

Zorric: Now, that is an awkward kiss.

Emma: That is a very awkward kiss. Yeah. I think it's just like lips without tongue. That's what I would consider a normal kiss.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: What do you consider a normal kiss?

Zorric: You know, like maybe three or four second kiss, but no tongue. It could be like multiple small kisses. You see in the movies, where when they make out, multiple small kisses. That's kind of romantic.

Emma: Would those be considered pecks?

Zorric: Yeah. Multiple pecks.

Emma: Okay. I think that's more okay than just the one peck.

Zorric: Yeah, yeah. But what if he went into multiple pecks, and then multiple make out sessions?

Emma: Meaning?

Zorric: That's just a make out scene.

Emma: Okay.

Zorric: Okay. I'm trying to give you a different scenario but--so, the last thing she says here is: You just got to read it. You got to check your gut, tune in to your gut.

Emma: Right.

Zorric: Because kissing isn't the end all-be all. It's not the barometer of success or failure in a relationship. You guys could have not kissed but then maybe two or three dates, but then you guys who get married. Who knows?

Emma: Right. And I also think it's important not to over analyze the kiss of somebody like goes for the kiss, you know. Like we've said earlier, some people just do it because they think that's what they need to do.

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: That's okay, like don't read into it more than what you have to.

Zorric: Yeah. I agree. And don't stress out about it, too.

Emma: Yeah, no.

Zorric: Speaking of stressing out about it, going on the first date is very stressful.

Emma: Yes. I mean, we've spoken about that.

Zorric: All the time.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: And the next article says that there are “4 Things You Can Learn About A Guy by Kissing Him on The First Date,” by Devon Brown from Your Tango. Number one: You can learn how much he respects you.

Emma: Hmm.

Zorric: Hmm, and it could determine how much a guy wants you. So, let's say you're on a to date and you guys kiss, and then at the end he says, “Hey, girl. Let's go to a hotel room.”

Emma: Bye! Bye.

Zorric: You know, that's not respectful.

Emma: No, it's not respectful, and then it's still a little demeaning. It's also I think demeaning for a guy if woman does that.

Zorric: Yeah. Yeah, equal. It has to be equal.

Emma: Equality.

Zorric: Equality. But I feel like, yeah, you can tell how much he respects you by taking it slow, I think.

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: Kind of gauging how you feel and making sure that you feel comfortable before he takes it to the next level. Whether it be a peck. Whether it be multiple kisses. Whether that you're going to bed with him. But you can tell by how he treats you.

Emma: Right.

Zorric: I think that's the point here. Number two, it's kind of similar to the last article, but you get a sense of how he feels. So, if he kisses you, obviously, he's attracted in some way, shape, or form. Whether it's mentally, or sexually, or the cleavage came out, and he's you know--

Emma: Physically.

Zorric: And physically, yeah. Like some people. But you can tell by without kissing him, but through his body language anyway. Like if he's touching you, he's facing you, his arms aren't crossed.

Emma: Right.

Zorric: You know, all the different things.

Emma: Like he's very open in his body language.

Zorric: Smiling like this.

Emma: So then, this is saying like with the kiss, it's kind of the official seal of approval if there's-- in which he's being like open and receptive to you.

Zorric: Yes.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: We're putting a formula together. So, if he kisses you and then, he shows that same body language. I guess that true--

Emma: What is that called, luring? Luring, no? I'm saying it wrong. Attracting?

Zorric: Attracting, yeah. Attracting what?

Emma: Attracting the mate? Biologically.

Zorric: Courting?

Emma: Courting! Thank you. You're good, yeah. That works.

Zorric: Yeah. It could be. Number three says: Understand your own boundaries.

Emma: Yes. I am a proponent of this one.

Zorric: Yeah, because it says here: kissing may not be the best way to go on the first date. If you're looking for a long-term relationship, but I don't agree, maybe Emma. Emma has been living this mantra, not kissing on the first date.

Emma: Yeah, 80% of the time. Yeah, you know, because it's like if I don't feel comfortable kissing on the first date, I don't want to feel like I have to kiss on the first date. Like again, that's my boundary that I have, and if that's not his boundary then that's something that you know maybe like I think this could potentially not work out.

Zorric: Okay.

Emma: You know, just me, it's respect. Like if I'm not ready, don't push me into something that I'm not ready to do yet.

Zorric: Yeah. And if he did go in for the kiss, and obviously you're not into that, then that would definitely decrease chances for that second, third date, definitely. Because no one wants be pushing anything like that, right?

Emma: And I'm not saying it can't happen. I'm not saying that at all. I'm just saying like 80% of the time I'm going to say, "Can I have a hug?"

Zorric: Side hug. Can I have a side hug?

Emma: I'll do a front hug, too.

Zorric: When were the situations where it was the 20%? Do you remember? I think everything--

Emma: That was so rare. I feel like maybe like everything just went well, you know. We were probably vibing, the conversation was going well, we probably had lots of things in common--

Zorric: You had tequila.

Emma: No. Two drink rule, remember?

Zorric: Tequila shots.

Emma: Oh, gosh! On the first date? Goodness. No, no, no.

Zorric: Excuse me.

Emma: And I believe it was like I probably felt like very comfortable with him, you know, the moment that I met him, and so when as he tried to kiss, I was, "Okay. This is good." And it happened.

Zorric: Yeah. Like he said, everything has to happen correctly.

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: You have to have that feeling. Maybe you guys have that mental connection going on during the date, and he laughed at your jokes, he was staring at your cleavage the whole time.

Emma: Zorric, why do you keep on mentioning my cleavage? I'm not even wearing cleavage today. What's wrong with you?

Zorric: Okay. That's the last time, the second one.

Emma: Gah! Could somebody throw one at his face? Not really.

Zorric: Okay, thank you. This last point he makes here is that you don't know who else he's or--he or she is kissing.

Emma: Yep!

Zorric: So, someone could have a date on Thursday, and kiss that person. Then have a date on Friday, kissed that person. Then you know, do it all over again every week. My thing is I would not--I don't want to be physical with anybody else but one person, you know. I can date multiple people but if I'm kissing somebody or sleeping with somebody, like to me, that's it.

Emma: Yeah.

Zorric: Yeah. So, what are your thoughts on this? Let's say the 20% happened for you. Are you kissing anybody else?

Emma: Probably not. No, probably not. And I think that part of it for me, too, it's like if later I find out the person is kissing someone else, then sort of like I become very self-deprecating, and I'm like--

Zorric: Oh, I'm not good enough!

Emma: I allowed myself to like for this to happen to me. How dare !!

Zorric: Yeah.

Emma: That's why I stick to the safer side for myself.

Zorric: Yeah. The recommendations here, I guess, the content here is very generic. I feel like this author is maybe trying to appeal to the masses. No, we're not journalists, but the first article was very direct, I think, and it's talked about just doing it and you know going with your gut. Nevertheless, they're both good.

Emma: But this person plays it safe, so I respect that.

Zorric: Okay. Did Bill Gates play it safe?

Emma: The persons and opinions--

Zorric: Did Mark Cuban played safe? Does LeBron James--no. I'm just kidding.

- Emma: Yeah, for that. It's not in their world, this is like different.
- Zorric: Okay. Next topic.
- Emma: This one cracks me up.
- Zorric: Okay. Everyone out there, "The Proper Execution of The First Kiss." This is a Q and A from AskMen. Of course, we have to find it on an AskMen website.
- Emma: Love it!
- Zorric: It's written by a guy. He's incognito right now, he's called "The Dating Nerd." Basically, this person is asking The Dating Nerd, "Hey! I've been out with this woman a few times, and the flirting is great. I feel like or I'm almost certain she wants me to kiss her, but I've been kind of losing my nerve, and we still haven't kissed yet." But this is a story of like everyone's dating lives right now.
- Emma: Yeah, like am I worried that we're just going to be like make out buddies, and it's going to be take a quick flame that's going to die really quickly. Or could this be just a way to end the date, like is this going to go anywhere?
- Zorric: Yeah, definitely. I think from stats, you know, half of the population kisses on the first date, which Emma is half that doesn't, of course.
- Emma: Yay!
- Zorric: But the proper execution I believe is just to go in and do it, you know. Put your ego aside. If you feel like everything's going great, then just slap a good one on her.
- Emma: Yeah. If she does turn away or he turns away, like it's not about you. It's most likely about them. If they're feeling worried, or nervous, and anxious. Maybe they're like me, who just--they're just someone who doesn't believe you kiss on the first date. That's not something to take personally, and just allow that to be okay. But if you're one of those people that go for it, like go for it.
- Zorric: Yeah, and what mister, The Dating Nerd says is to just to actually do it and do it with boldness and with little hesitation as possible.
- Emma: So, basically what you do.
- Zorric: Yes. Why is it all on me all the time? But basically, this is it. Yes. Don't be afraid because if you get the cheek, you know what? That's fine.

- Emma: I think it can also be like a funny story if y'all do start dating, "Do you remember on our first date?" I can be like, "Oh yeah. On our first date like, you know, he or she leaned in to kiss me and then I turned away."
- Zorric: Yeah. It also says here that if you had a great first date, probably screwing it up is pretty difficult. Like you said, too, it could be a great story and funny story if you do fail. But if you do fail, guys or gals--
- Emma: Or girls.
- Zorric: And ask him or her out again, because maybe it wasn't meant for the first date. Maybe it was meant for the second or third date.
- Emma: Yeah. Remember, they could a big traditional person. That is okay. Keep tradition alive sometimes.
- Zorric: Yeah, and haven't you heard some of the situations where I know that women have told me, "Oh, my gosh! I had a great date. I was attracted, this and that, but he just didn't kiss me."
- Emma: Yeah.
- Zorric: Like I felt like I wanted to kiss him, but man, you don't want to be in that situation.
- Emma: Right.
- Zorric: You want to look at the cues, the open body language, and if she's open enough, I would say just go for it.
- Emma: Yeah.
- Zorric: Yeah. So, Emma.
- Emma: Yes?
- Zorric: How would you want a man to kiss you? If it was Benedict Cumberbatch.
- Emma: I love him so much.
- Zorric: And you guys are sitting at a restaurant next to each other.
- Emma: He's single, right? In my fantasy?
- Zorric: I think he's single right now.

Emma: Right. Thank you.

Zorric: And he takes your hand, and he says, "Emma, I love your gorgeous lips."

Emma: Oh, I love him so much. Please don't ruin his face for me.

Zorric: That's a perfect Benedict Cumberbatch impression.

Emma: No. Uh-huh.

Zorric: So, there's no way? There's no like setting, romance--

Emma: If Benedict Cumberbatch wanted to kiss me on the first date, because he is single, he is more than welcome to give me a kiss on the first date.

Zorric: Okay. On a bus, like the most unromantic place. I'm looking for like a scenario or situation.

Emma: No, no. No, not on the bus. On the bus, you lost me. If you were to kiss me on the bus for the first time, it'll be a shame story.

Zorric: So, there is like is a certain scenario or a certain place where you're--

Emma: Like in a dark alley, he can't kiss me.

Zorric: Yeah. He ties you up and throws in a van and--

Emma: If Benedict Cumberbatch's going to do that, okay. That twisted very quickly.

Zorric: So, what I'm getting at is maybe there is no perfect scenario or situation for Emma. Like it just happens when it happens.

Emma: There is a perfect scenario.

Zorric: Okay.

Emma: If you want to take me in front of a water fountain, there you go.

Zorric: There we go!

Emma: South Lake, you know. We're walking the square.

Zorric: Go ahead! Go ahead. Does he take your hand?

Emma: Yeah sure. He can try and hold my hand on the first date.

Zorric: Okay. I know this is the second date.

Emma: Oh, second date. Yeah! Second date, we're holding hands. I'm actually like expecting to be kissed at this point.

Zorric: Oh, my gosh This is so not right now. Okay, keep on going. For your fantasy.

Emma: We're walking somewhere in South Lake, or you know like Dallas.

Zorric: Have you guys had two shots or two drinks?

Emma: I'm still in my two-drink mantra. I might push it to three or four.

Zorric: Okay. Four? Can you walk at that moment? He's carrying you, in South Lake beside the waterfall.

Emma: Okay, maybe three. I know. I am an expert. They water down drinks in Salt Lake, it's fine. No, I don't know. I'm just joking.

Zorric: And then when does it happen? You don't know it just--

Emma: You don't know. It just does. It just magically happens and there's water fountain behind us. It's just perfect.

Zorric: It's like a long kiss, a short kiss, or like a peck?

Emma: It's probably going to be like a short kiss because we are in public, and this is the first kiss.

Zorric: Oh. Okay. Like he grabs your hair like a caveman, and just smothers.

Emma: No, now you're ruining my fantasy. Thank you. Do you have a first date fantasy? A first kiss fantasy, Mr. I-kiss-80%-of-a-time.

Zorric: Who said that?

Emma: Beware.

Zorric: Sixty.

Emma: Sixty. Sorry.

Zorric: It depends, guys. I think there's no set situation also, you got to feel it, and go for it.

Emma: So, you'll kiss in the dark alley or on the bus?

Zorric: It depends. If it's a nice bus. If it's an RV, like a glamorous RV, or maybe the dark alley is somewhere like Park Avenue in New York City. The most expensive dark alley. I'm kind mushy like that. Actually, Emma's more mushy than me.

Emma: What? That's a lie.

Zorric: Anyways, your takeaway from all of this kissing madness, Emma. Give it to me.

Emma: I guess I need to be more open, and I guess--

Zorric: Your mouth?

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: Literally.

Emma: Literally. I guess I can be more open and start allowing the first date kiss to happen if it needs to happen. But I still stand on waiting and prolonging the wait.

Zorric: Okay, second date is fine.

Emma: Yes, I will allow it.

Zorric: Okay. My takeaway here is that you know kissing is part of it and there's anxiety. I think it's one of those things like it's a milestone you hit in a relationship, where you get married, whatever it is. But kissing is one thing, because that's when you actually get physical with each other. It opens the floodgates to who knows what. To all of Emma's fantasies in dark alleys in South Lake. But if you get denied and rejected, that's cool. It's part of the process, and again LeBron James, because the finals are going on, like he missed the shots. It's basketball.

Emma: Like NBA?

Zorric: He missed the shots, it's possible. It's okay.

Emma: Wait. I thought that basketball was over.

Zorric: No. There's like four or five more games left.

Emma: Because I was like--never mind. Okay.

Zorric: It's the last one, so. Then there's so many entrepreneurs, like the Angry Birds entrepreneur. He created 51 companies before he actually hit on Angry Birds.

Emma: Look at that.

Zorric: So, look! My last example of failure is Aladdin was rejected by Princess Jasmine first. Do you guys remember that?

Emma: Yes. Because he was a peasant.

Zorric: He was.

Emma: And that's why he became the rich, he knew the way to her heart was through money.

Zorric: It was a happily ever after so everyone out there, the takeaway is watch the movie Aladdin, because it's the best cartoon ever.

Emma: Oh, my goodness.

Zorric: Okay, so nothing else. No more kissing.

Emma: No more.

Zorric: We're done kissing for the day.

Emma: Yes.

Zorric: Okay. That's all we have for today. We hope you enjoyed the show. If you have any questions, comments, or show topics you like to discuss--for us to discuss, you can drop us a note at hello@datepodcast.com or on "@datepodcast" on Instagram and Twitter. Bye.

Emma: Bye.

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