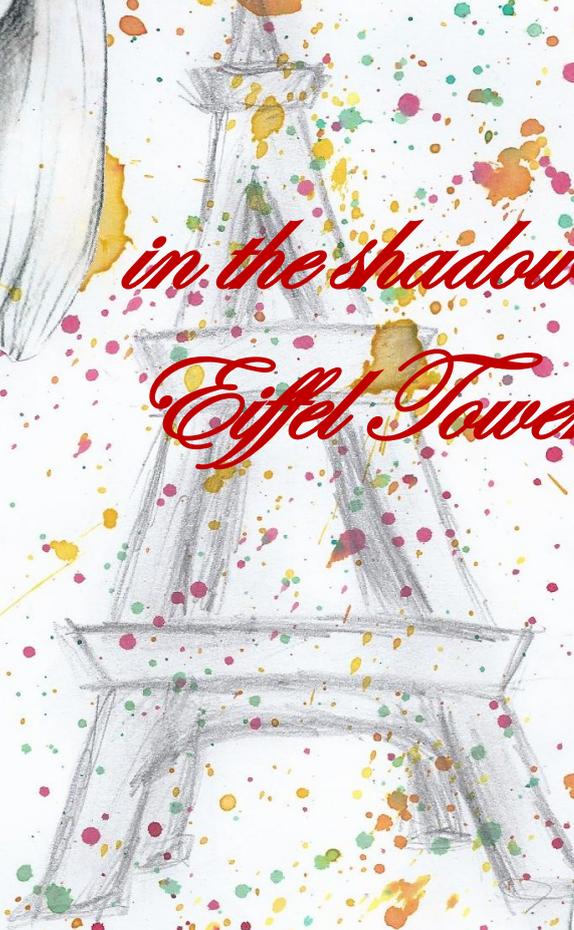




*Love and  
Death*

*in the shadow of the  
Eiffel Tower*



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## The main characters



**Vanesa** is a young attractive woman from California. She is 20 years old and she loves France and especially Paris. She is lucky to win a trip to this wonderful city, but unfortunately she fell in love with a charming young Parisian Jean Paul.



**Jean Paul** is Vanesa's boyfriend. He is a clever handsome young man, but he has an unusual job - he is a special agent. He works for the French government and he hides a secret.



**Mr. Ling** is a Chinese scientist and doctor, which works with his team on a unique research. He has got a son, who visited Paris recently and never came back home.

## The French team

One day, when Vanesa came back home and checked her mailbox she discovered she had won a trip to Paris for a month. She was so excited to go to Paris. It had always been her dream. She couldn't believe she was so lucky.

Just after her meeting with her friend Jean Paul, she asked him to join her in California but he couldn't do it because of his terrible secret. She was so sad and disappointed that's why a month later she decided to go to Paris to discover his secret without asking him anything.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mkSLWXHy8A4>

When she arrived in Paris she was shocked by her discovery.

## The Czech team

But about this discovery we will write later. Now we are at the airport in Paris. Vanesa got out of the plane. It was a sunny Monday morning. She has two weeks to solve the mystery. Vanesa went to the departure hall, where she stopped hesitantly. She felt confused but she knew that she loves Jean Paul and was prepared to fight for her love. She won't give up!

She decided to take a taxi and go to the city centre to the Eiffel tower. She really liked this place, because it was there, where she had met Jean Paul for the first time. She looked around. – Yes, there is the small restaurant, in which they ate lunch!

She entered the restaurant; she wanted to recall her memories. She sat down to a table near the window and ordered a cup of tea and some cakes.



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Suddenly she noticed a short slim man with red hair. He was staring at her and then he nodded. After a few minutes the man stood up and was going out of

the restaurant. When he was passing her table, he dropped a small piece of paper. Vanesa was curious and lifted it up. It was a message and was addressed to her. She read: 'Vanesa, go back home. Please, I love you! Your JP'. She didn't know that slim short man and she was shocked and confused. She got up and ran after the man, but he was gone.

The next day she decided to go to the town to see Jean Paul, she hoped to find there a clue. She was leaving, when the doorbell rang. She went to the door, but she didn't see anyone behind the door. But there was something else! On the floor there lied a little parcel. What was inside?

She picked up the parcel and put it on the kitchen table. She was too afraid to open the box. So she didn't open it and went to the town. She decided not to go to Jean Paul's flat, so she did some shopping and had lunch.

In the afternoon she returned to her apartment and opened the parcel. She found two envelopes inside. There were two keys in the first one and some photos in the second one. She looked at the photos, in the picture there was Jean Paul speaking to a young charming woman; they were standing in front of some houses and seemed to be good friends. She felt terrible, she was jealous! But then she noticed something strange in the photo...

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When Vanesa had a close look, she saw a gun under Jean Paul's jacket! She was shocked, because she realized that she could recognise this girl! She saw her on TV news last week. That girl was murdered by an unknown young man. Vanesa didn't know what to think about it. She started to suspect that her boyfriend could have killed that girl. She looked at the second card. There was an inscription: 'You'll be the next!'

Vanesa was frightened, but she got her mobile quickly and tried to call Jean Paul. He didn't answer so she opened her laptop and searched: 'Death of Julia Williams'. She quickly found information about her death and the video with Julia's mother, friend and boyfriend. He had the same red hair as the boy who was in the restaurant.

Vanesa started to suspect, that this red-haired boy wanted to hurt her, because of the death of his girlfriend. He was mad with Jean Paul and he wanted to do the same that Jean Paul did to him.

### The Czech team

She knew she has to speak to Jean Paul. She was too frightened to stay in her apartment so she packed her stuff and left for a hotel. She decided to move to a small cosy hotel in the street, where Jean Paul lives. At the reception desk she asked for a room with the view of Jean Paul's flat. She tried again to reach him by her mobile phone, but there was no answer. So she went to her room, sat down to the window and waited.

She waited for a long time; the streets were dark and empty, at midnight she saw a figure approaching the house door of the opposite building. She recognised the person - it was Jean Paul. She took her jacket and ran downstairs; they met in front of the house door.

He was very surprised to see her: "What are you doing here!"  
Vanesa replied: "I have to talk to you. It is urgent! Please, let me come in!"

They entered the house and went quickly upstairs. Jean Paul unlocked the door of his flat. When they came in there was no place to sit down. Everywhere were plans and maps and a lot of sheets of paper. Vanesa put some plans away from the sofa and sat down. Jean Paul looked at her and asked: "Why are you here? It could be dangerous for you to be near me."  
She stared at him and didn't understand. "Why? Why is it dangerous? What is it going on?"

He hesitated and then asked her: „How much do you know about the matter?"

She told him about the red-haired boy and the parcel.

His reaction surprised her. "I shall explain the whole situation to you. I am not a salesman, I am a secret agent. I work for the government and my task is to..."

## The Polish team

... kill people who are suspected of having very dangerous virus. [The Mafia](#) wanted to spread the disease, kidnapping and injecting virus to 20 random people.

- Oh my God! - Vanesa said - But why do you think that this girl is one of these 20 people?
- You don't have to know it. Whatever, you must go back to California and forget about everything I told to you.
- No, I know too much to let it go. Why do you have to do this? And how do you know Julia Williams had this virus? Were you sure about this? Maybe she was fine, maybe you killed her and other innocent people!
- Okay... I'll tell you, but you must keep quiet. I was one of the kidnapped people.
- No... So you can have this virus too?
- Yes... I have... So you see you must stay away from me. The virus is contagious. That's why we are looking for other people and kill them.

Vanesa stepped back, but she knew she couldn't just walk away. She loved Jean Paul.

- We'll find a cure for it.

## The French team

Vanessa remembered that when she arrived at [the airport Charles de Gaulle](#), she heard Chinese men talking about a cure for the virus. So she decided to go back to the airport to see these men and ask for their help. Unfortunately she couldn't find them. That's why she was completely lost and didn't know what she could do.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3AtIcilAbk>

A few hours later, she decided she would go and see the government in order to explain what happened. Indeed she needed to watch the video cameras of the airport. They went back to the offices of the airport to identify the Chinese men, found them and eventually got the cure.

Vanessa was so anxious; she really wanted to rescue her boyfriend she loved him so much that she did not know how she could live without him. They finally managed to identify and locate them thanks to their phone. They had gone back to China!

She took the first plane to China with another secret agent.

### The Czech team

They landed in [Beijing](#) a few hours later. They went to the hospital, where they knew the Chinese work as doctors. They were lucky to find one of them – doctor Ling. They explained everything to him.

Mr.Ling nodded and said:”Yes, we are able to cure the virus. I was the leader of the team which discovered the way how to treat with the virus. But my son was kidnapped in Paris and infected with the virus. I was looking for him with my friends, but we couldn´t find him. We lost the clue under the Eiffel tower, where he was seen for the last time. I will give you the medicament, but at first you have to help me to find my son. If he dies, I will destroy all my notices to the research and the disease will spread around the world.”

Vanessa started to cry:“ Please, Mr.Ling, you can´t do it! It is so cruel! My boyfriend is a victim of the Mafia. He has the disease and he is dying! Look at his picture; he is such a good man.”

Mr.Ling looked at the photo and was staring at it for a few seconds. Then he said slowly:“ This is the man, who was seen with my son under the Eiffel tower!”

### The Polish team

Vanessa was shocked, but than she said:

“Okay, I’ll talk to my boyfriend. I don’t think Jean Paul knows him, but he may know something.”

“But do you think Jean Paul has anything to do with his disappearance?” asked secret agent called James.

“No, it’s impossible! I know my boyfriend and he’s a good person!” Vanessa was outraged.

“I don’t judge him but I must find my son, and your boyfriend is the only one who can know something” said Mr.Ling.

Next day, Vanessa took a plane to France because she needed to talk to Jean Paul. At the same time, James stayed with Mr.Ling and they tried to get information about the disappearance. Vanessa took a taxi from the airport and went to Jean Paul’s flat. When she went in, she saw her boyfriend lying on a sofa. He was pale, breathing heavily and shaking. She ran and sat next to him.

“What’s happening?”

“I’m dying“, he said quietly.

“What?! Jean, I’ll call an ambulance!”.

“No, please. Listen, I’m gonna die soon, but after 24 hours I’ll become a monster. Two days ago one guy from the Mafia called me and he said, that everyone who had had this virus later died of high fever and then turned into walking dead creature.”

### The Czech team

“Are you kidding me? A walking dead creature! Such a nonsense!”

He looked sadly at her: “Yes, I was just joking about the zombie, but I am really dying and when I will be dead, anybody can’t be allowed to touch my body. It would be too dangerous.”

“There is one chance! We will manage to cure you! Don’t lose the hope”!

Then she explained him everything about her Chinese mission and about Mr.Ling.

“What do you know about Mr.Ling’s son?” She asked suddenly. “You were the last person, who saw him near the Eiffel tower. You didn’t hurt him, did you?!”

“Actually I wanted to shoot him, but he climbed the stairs up the Eiffel tower and disappeared. I looked for him everywhere and then waited for him ages but he didn't come down the Eiffel tower. That is why I have the plans of the Eiffel tower here. There must be a secret room or a place where he is hidden on the top of the tower. “

“No, it is a nonsense! I have been on the Eiffel tower, there is nothing like this!”

“It is crazy, I know, but there is no other explanation.”

He thought for a moment and then picked up his iPhone and texted to somebody. He received an answer and then he continued:

“I am no strong enough. So you must go and try to find the secret place! Perhaps you will be more successful than me. Stand up! Take a taxi! And go to [the Louvre](#). You have to find the [painting](#) of a woman symbolising the liberty.

At 3 o'clock a friend of mine will be waiting for you.” Then he continued:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ax0tPzID0x0>

## The French team

“Vanessa I love you! I know I will succeed! I know I can really rely on you ! You are the smartest woman I've ever met!” he said, sadly. He started crying and couldn't stop the tears on his cheeks.

Vanessa took him in her arms, kissed him and went away. She took a taxi which took her to the Eiffel Tower in a few minutes. On the way, she felt afraid and anxious because she didn't know what she would discover on arriving. She may discover his body lying on the floor with few spots of blood what would she do?

There were many people but it was not important. Running as fast as she could, she jostled all the people, ran and climbed the stairs as a flash. When she arrived at the top, she opened all the doors and saw ...

## The Czech team

... and saw something strange. She remembered the short meeting with the agent in the Louvre. He met a middle-aged man with grey hair. He looked like someone, she could trust. He told her that she has to go to the secret door on the top of the Eiffel tower. He said, where she can find the small door and asked her if she has got the keys. She nodded; she had the keys from the envelope she had found in the parcel a few days ago. She was told to open the door and enter the room. She was afraid; she didn't know what she will find. But she managed to find the door and open it.

Now she was standing at the door. She expected to find the son of doctor Ling dead or alive. But the room was empty; she saw just a big paper box. She opened it and she found some maps. She sat on the floor and looked at the maps. At the end she found out that tower there is a secret place in the underground under the Eiffel, where something special is hidden. So perhaps that is why the members of the Mafia tried to spread the virus to gain this thing from the underground. She left the room, climbed down the Eiffel tower and called the agent from the Louvre.

“Hi, I'm afraid. I don't know what to do. Please, help me!”

”Hi, Vanesa. What has happened? What have you found?”

“I have found some secret maps.”

“Ohh, It's cool! Now please bring me the maps to hotel Excelsior room 15!”

A few minutes later, she went to the agent's hotel room. She didn't have much time to look carefully at the agent when she entered. But when she closed the door she noticed that he looked different than the man she met in the Louvre. Who was that man? And where was her agent?

She was confused; she took her iPhone and dialed the number of the agent. Suddenly a phone was ringing somewhere in the room. She looked in horror at the man standing opposite her. The agent was looking at her and said nothing.

## The Polish team

Suddenly two shots were fired and the bullets went through the window. The man fell down on his face and was dead. She tried to escape and opened a door from a next room and there she found a Chinese boy inside. She called to Mr. Ling and he sent the medicine. She rescued him and her boyfriend, so she rescued the whole world. But she was afraid, thus she left Jean Paul, because he killed those people. She went back to California.

When she arrived in California there was a huge traffic jam. A hitch-hiker asked if she could take him to the centre. She agreed and he sat next to her. They started to talk about the weather and other silly things but then he mentioned a high-profile case associated with the virus. Vanesa looked at him but she didn't say anything. To drown out the awkward silence she turned on the radio. They listened to two famous songs and then the news started at exactly 3 pm. First, the presenter gave them the weather forecast, then spoke about volcanic eruptions in Asia, shootings in New York and missing children in New Jersey.

But then suddenly he began to talk about the virus with which the Mafia had killed a lot of people. "The government has ordered doctors to examine all members of the Mafia because they could have become infected when they killed virus-infected people. The shock is that the doctors have found that one of the members of the mob had the virus from the beginning and tried to avoid detection. The man was killed. More information later."

"Oh no!" Vanesa said.

"What happened?" the hitch-hiker asked. "Did you know the guy?"

Vanesa stopped the car, got out and began to cry. The hitchhiker came up to her, took out his knife and stabbed her in her side. She looked at him, then at the knife in her body and soon fell to the ground.

The hitch-hiker got into the car, pulled out his phone, called his boss and said: "I did it, I killed the girl. I'm sure that she had the virus too."

**THE END**

# Glossary

## 1) Paris



<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paris>

is the capital city of France is Paris. Paris has a population of about 2,230,000, and its metropolitan area is one of the largest population centres in Europe, with more than 12 million inhabitants. It is situated on the river Seine. We can find here a lot of sights, shops and interesting places. Paris is today one of the world's leading business and cultural centres and its influences in politics, education, entertainment, media, science, and the arts.

## 2) Beijing



passenger traffic. In 2008 the Summer Olympic games took place here.

<http://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Soubor:BeijingTiananmenSquare.jpg>

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beijing>

is the capital city of China and one of the most populous cities in the world. The population of Beijing is 20,693,000 inhabitants. It is the nation's political, cultural, and educational center. We can find here a lot of palaces and temples. The most famous monuments are the Forbidden City, the Tiananmen Square, the Temple of Heaven and the Summer Palace. The Beijing Capital International Airport is the second busiest in the world by

## 3) The Eiffel tower



is located in Paris and it is very famous. . It was built between the years 1887-89. Its height is 324 meters. It is named after the engineer Gustave Eiffel, who designed and built the tower. The Eiffel tower was erected in 1889 as the entrance arch to the 1889 World's Fair, it has become both a global cultural icon of France and one of the most recognizable structures in the world. The tower was supposed to stand only to 1909, but it became very famous, thus it is here up to today.

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#### 4) The Charles de Gaulle airport



is the biggest airport in Paris and the second one in Europe. Between terminals run free buses, which transport everyday 200 000 people. This airport has three terminals. The first, called T1 was open in 1974. The Airport offers an accommodation in a luxurious hotel.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles\\_de\\_Gaulle\\_Airport](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_de_Gaulle_Airport)

#### 5) The Mafia



is a secret criminal organization that emerged in the nineteenth century in Sicily, Italy. Its members were only men. In the 20<sup>th</sup> century the Mafia appeared in the USA and in England. The FBI reduced its influence quiet fast. However, the term "mafia" has become a generic term for any organized criminal network with similar structure, methods, and interests.

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#### 6) The Louvre



is the biggest museum in the world. It is set in Palais du Louvre. The museum opened on 10 August 1793 with an exhibition of 537 paintings, the majority of the works being royal and confiscated church property. and nowadays the museum has got 7 departments e.g. Egyptian, Greek, Etruscan, or Roman antiquities. The most famous painting of Louvre is Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa. With more than 8 million visitors each year, the Louvre is the world's most visited museum.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louvre>

## 7) Eugène Delacroix



is a famous French painter and an important personality of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Delacroix's most influential work came in 1830 with the painting Liberty Leading the People, which for choice of subject and technique highlights the differences between the romantic approach and the neoclassical style.

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