

# **Movie Honey Lesson Summary**

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Movie course: The Amazing Mr. X

A widow and her sister get involved with a mysterious psychic, leading them into a web of deceit and danger.

Lesson 1: My Husband Died Two Years Ago



Lesson video duration: 13:08

Lesson total words: 136

Total nouns: 58

act, affidavit, afternoon, balcony, bill, brat, case, category, client, cloak, consultant, court, decision, dentist, diamond, ermine, felony, finger, flame, fool, fortune teller, free spirit, goodbye, hair, home, hope, horn, horn, last minute, lawyer, lipstick, lying, mannerism, marriage, matter of fact, minute, mist, mourning, patio, promise, residence, sand, season, sequin, shoe, sir, snake charmer, speech, sunday, swim, theater, thing, thing, throat, tip, type, walk, wind

### Total verbs: 42

anger, announce, blame, breach, brood, chase, clear, concern, count off, die, do, drive, engage, explain, feel, feel, fight, forget, honk, insist, interfere, kiss, know, like, make, matter, pick, place, propose, ring, shoot, show, skip, sound, stand up, stop, sue, sustain, take, tear, whisper, wind

## Total adjectives: 24

appropriate, awkward, black, close, cool, crazy, dark, early, enormous, fantastic, idiotic, irritated, less, many, middle, mistaken, next, out, romantic, safe, same, serious, upset, wrong

### Total adverbs: 12

ago, alike, already, anyway, back, by the way, directly, down, hardly, no matter, otherwise, usually

(See more details below.)



# **Lesson Words, Definitions, and Examples**

#### **Nouns**

act (n) a subdivision of a play or opera or ballet

It doesn't matter if we're a little late, Martin. The first act's no good anyway.

affidavit (n) written declaration made under oath; a written statement sworn to be true before someone legally authorized to administer an oath

Well, no, you see, I wanted to show you that I'm not always the lawyer with his mind on cases and affidavits.

afternoon (n) the part of the day between noon and evening

I dreamed it up this afternoon in felony court.

**balcony** (n) an upper floor projecting from the rear over the main floor in an auditorium *Brooding on the balcony.* 

**bill** (n) an itemized statement of money owed for goods shipped or services rendered pay their bills, go to the dentist,

brat (n) a very troublesome child

Oh, it's not as bad as all that, brat.

**case** (n) a comprehensive term for any proceeding in a court of law whereby an individual seeks a legal remedy Well, no, you see, I wanted to show you that I'm not always the lawyer with his mind on cases and affidavits.

category (n) a collection of things sharing a common attribute

I see you place me in the same category with fortune tellers, snake charmers, and magicians.

**client** (n) a person who seeks the advice of a lawyer

No, no, it's just that some idiotic client came into the office at the last minute, and I...

cloak (n) anything that covers or conceals

You know, Chris, I think your cloak with the sequins might look better on you tonight.

consultant (n) an expert who gives advice

Psychic consultant.

**court** (n) an assembly (including one or more judges) to conduct judicial business *I dreamed it up this afternoon in felony court.* 

decision (n) the act of making up your mind about something

You made a decision tonight that angered him,

**dentist** (n) a person qualified to practice dentistry

pay their bills, go to the dentist,

**diamond** (n) a transparent piece of diamond that has been cut and polished and is valued as a precious gem *An enormous diamond with...oh, Chris, you will say yes tonight, won't you?* 

ermine (n) the expensive white fur of the ermine

And bring out my new ermine, will you?

felony (n) a serious crime (such as murder or arson)

I dreamed it up this afternoon in felony court.

finger (n) any of the terminal members of the hand (sometimes excepting the thumb)

And he can't very well put an engagement ring on your finger if that's already there.

**flame** (n) the process of combustion of inflammable materials producing heat and light and (often) smoke *I saw him, dead, and his car in flames.* 

fool (n) a person who lacks good judgment

And usually I'd be fool enough to go with him.



fortune teller (n) a person who foretells your personal future

I see you place me in the same category with fortune tellers, snake charmers, and magicians.

free spirit (n) someone acting freely or even irresponsibly

Even free spirits have to come in out of the night sometimes and put on their shoes,

**goodbye** (n) a farewell remark *Goodbye*.

hair (n) a covering for the body (or parts of it) consisting of a dense growth of threadlike structures (as on the human head); helps to prevent heat loss

I like your hair like this.

**home** (n) where you live at a particular time *Have a good time and come home early.* 

**hope** (n) a specific instance of feeling hopeful *You have all my hopes fighting with you, madam.* 

**horn** (n) an alarm device that makes a loud warning sound *It was the wind, or those fog horns.* 

**horn** (n) a noisemaker (as at parties or games) that makes a loud noise when you blow through it *You know Martin would never honk a horn at a lady.* 

last minute (n) the latest possible moment

No, no, it's just that some idiotic client came into the office at the last minute, and I...

**lawyer** (n) a professional person authorized to practice law; conducts lawsuits or gives legal advice Well, no, you see, I wanted to show you that I'm not always the lawyer with his mind on cases and affidavits.

**lipstick** (n) makeup that is used to color the lips But you could do with a little more lipstick.

**lying** (n) the deliberate act of deviating from the truth *Lying to one's sister's out this season, too.* 

**mannerism** (n) a behavioral attribute that is distinctive and peculiar to an individual *You really shouldn't be so irritated by his little mannerisms* 

**marriage** (n) the state of being a married couple voluntarily joined for life (or until divorce) I saw your husband dead and you were moving toward a new marriage

matter of fact (n) a matter that is an actual fact or is demonstrable as a fact As a matter of fact, I have.

**minute** (n) a unit of time equal to 60 seconds or 1/60th of an hour announcing that he's going to kiss you any minute,

**mist** (n) a thin fog with condensation near the ground *We like the night, the mist of the ocean.* 

**mourning** (n) state of sorrow over the death or departure of a loved one *in mourning?* 

**patio** (n) usually paved outdoor area adjoining a residence Lock the patio door after me, will you? Good night.

**promise** (n) a verbal commitment by one person to another agreeing to do (or not to do) something in the future *I suppose I'd better, otherwise he might sue you for breach of promise.* 

**residence** (n) any address at which you dwell more than temporarily *Mrs. Faber's residence.* 

**sand** (n) a loose material consisting of grains of rock or coral The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.

season (n) a period of the year marked by special events or activities in some field



It just isn't being done this season.

**sequin** (n) adornment consisting of a small piece of shiny material used to decorate clothing You know, Chris, I think your cloak with the sequins might look better on you tonight.

**shoe** (n) footwear shaped to fit the foot (below the ankle) with a flexible upper of leather or plastic and a sole and heel of heavier material

Even free spirits have to come in out of the night sometimes and put on their shoes,

sir (n) term of address for a man

Yes sir.

**snake charmer** (n) a performer who uses movements and music to control snakes *I see you place me in the same category with fortune tellers, snake charmers, and magicians.* 

**speech** (n) the act of delivering a formal spoken communication to an audience *Yeah, I thought it was a nice speech.* 

**sunday** (n) first day of the week; observed as a day of rest and worship by most Christians and of course, family dinners on Sunday.

swim (n) the act of swimming

He'd go racing down to the beach for a swim, no matter how late is was.

**theater** (n) a building where theatrical performances or motion-picture shows can be presented We'll go to your house first, skip the theater, directly to the Blue Angel.

thing (n) an event

Strangest thing happened.

thing (n) an action

He did a lot of crazy things, some of them bad.

throat (n) the passage to the stomach and lungs; in the front part of the neck below the chin and above the collarbone

like when he clears his throat.

**tip** (n) the extreme end of something; especially something pointed or when he counts off all his plans on the tips of his fingers.

**type** (n) a person of a specified kind (usually with many eccentricities) *No, I'm really the romantic type with my mind on you.* 

walk (n) the act of traveling by foot

I'll walk over along the beach to your house, then you won't have to waste the time driving over here.

**wind** (n) air moving (sometimes with considerable force) from an area of high pressure to an area of low pressure *The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.* 

### **Verbs**

anger (v) make angry

You made a decision tonight that angered him,

**announce** (v) make known; make an announcement announcing that he's going to kiss you any minute,

**blame** (v) put or pin the blame on

I don't blame you for being frightened.

**breach** (v) act in disregard of laws, rules, contracts, or promises *I suppose I'd better, otherwise he might sue you for breach of promise.* 

**brood** (v) think moodily or anxiously about something *Brooding on the balcony.* 

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chase (v) go after with the intent to catch

If any husband of mine ever chased me into the ocean in the middle of the night, I'd shoot him.

clear (v) rid of obstructions

like when he clears his throat,

concern (v) be relevant to

When it concerns you, Christine, there's nothing I don't understand.

**count off** (v) call in turn from right to left or from back to front numbers that determine some position or function or when he counts off all his plans on the tips of his fingers.

**die** (v) pass from physical life and lose all bodily attributes and functions necessary to sustain life *My husband died two years ago.* 

do (v) carry on or function

And you could do with a little less.

drive (v) operate or control a vehicle

I'll walk over along the beach to your house, then you won't have to waste the time driving over here.

engage (v) give to in marriage

You come home engaged.

explain (v) serve as a reason or cause or justification of

Explain yourself.

feel (v) perceive by a physical sensation, e.g., coming from the skin or muscles

The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.

**feel** (v) have a feeling or perception about oneself in reaction to someone's behavior or attitude *I felt you were married.* 

fight (v) make a strenuous or labored effort

and now you're fighting to sustain it.

forget (v) be unable to remember

It's... You know, I've forgotten.

honk (v) make a loud noise

You know Martin would never honk a horn at a lady.

insist (v) be emphatic or resolute and refuse to budge

Well, if you insist, thanks.

interfere (v) come between so as to be hindrance or obstacle

I... I... particularly didn't want to have anything interfer with tonight.

**kiss** (v) touch with the lips or press the lips (against someone's mouth or other body part) as an expression of love, greeting, etc.

announcing that he's going to kiss you any minute,

know (v) be familiar or acquainted with a person or an object

But you must know who I am.

like (v) prefer or wish to do something

I just happen to like black, that's all.

make (v) make, formulate, or derive in the mind

You made a decision tonight that angered him,

matter (v) have weight; have import, carry weight

But it hardly matters, does it?

pick (v) select carefully from a group

Oh darling, I'm so excited, and I've got just the right dress all picked out for you.

place (v) assign a rank or rating to



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propose (v) make a proposal, declare a plan for something

Oh, is Martin going to propose again tonight?

ring (v) sound loudly and sonorously

And he can't very well put an engagement ring on your finger if that's already there.

shoot (v) fire a shot

If any husband of mine ever chased me into the ocean in the middle of the night, I'd shoot him.

show (v) give an exhibition of to an interested audience

Well, no, you see, I wanted to show you that I'm not always the lawyer with his mind on cases and affidavits.

skip (v) bypass

We'll go to your house first, skip the theater, directly to the Blue Angel.

sound (v) make a certain noise or sound

Perhaps, but it sounded like...Paul.

stand up (v) to avoid a prearranged meeting, especially a date, with (a person) without prior notification; to jilt or shirk

Hello, Martin. Don't tell me you're standing me up.

stop (v) put an end to a state or an activity

Now stop talking

sue (v) institute legal proceedings against; file a suit against

I suppose I'd better, otherwise he might sue you for breach of promise.

sustain (v) lengthen or extend in duration or space

and now you're fighting to sustain it.

take (v) interpret something in a certain way; convey a particular meaning or impression

I take it you have a date for tonight, too.

tear (v) separate or cause to separate abruptly

Oh, I've torn my dress, Martin, I'll have to go back to the house.

whisper (v) speak softly; in a low voice

The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.

wind (v) to move or cause to move in a sinuous, spiral, or circular course

It was the wind, or those fog horns.

## **Adjectives**

**appropriate** (a) suitable for a particular person or place or condition etc *it isn't exactly appropriate*.

awkward (a) hard to deal with; especially causing pain or embarrassment

It might make it awkward for Martin.

**black** (a) being of the achromatic color of maximum darkness; having little or no hue owing to absorption of almost all incident light

I just happen to like black, that's all.

close (a) close in relevance or relationship

But for a moment out over the ocean, I felt very close to him again.

cool (a) neither warm nor very cold; giving relief from heat

The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.

crazy (a) affected with madness or insanity

He did a lot of crazy things, some of them bad.



dark (a) devoid of or deficient in light or brightness; shadowed or black *It is dark down there, ma'am.* 

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**early** (a) at or near the beginning of a period of time or course of events or before the usual or expected time *Have a good time and come home early.* 

**enormous** (a) extraordinarily large in size or extent or amount or power or degree *An enormous diamond with...oh, Chris, you will say yes tonight, won't you?* 

**fantastic** (a) ludicrously odd He was fantastic enough.

idiotic (a) insanely irresponsible

No, no, it's just that some idiotic client came into the office at the last minute, and I...

irritated (a) aroused to impatience or anger

You really shouldn't be so irritated by his little mannerisms

**less** (a) (nonstandard in some uses but often idiomatic with measure phrases) fewer *And you could do with a little less.* 

**many** (a) a quantifier that can be used with count nouns and is often preceded by `as' or `too' or `so' or `that'; amounting to a large but indefinite number *Oh well, many people do.* 

**middle** (a) being neither at the beginning nor at the end in a series

If any husband of mine ever chased me into the ocean in the middle of the night, I'd shoot him.

**mistaken** (a) wrong in e.g. opinion or judgment *You weren't mistaken.* 

**next** (a) immediately following in time or order Next time he calls, ask him if he has a friend for me.

out (a) no longer fashionable

Lying to one's sister's out this season, too.

**romantic** (a) expressive of or exciting sexual love or romance No, I'm really the romantic type with my mind on you.

**safe** (a) free from danger or the risk of harm *Oh*, of course it's safe.

same (a) same in identity

I see you place me in the same category with fortune tellers, snake charmers, and magicians.

**serious** (a) concerned with work or important matters rather than play or trivialities *I'm serious*.

**upset** (a) afflicted with or marked by anxious uneasiness or trouble or grief Nothing, it's just that it's so late, and I'm a little upset, could we make it some other night?

**wrong** (a) not correct; not in conformity with fact or truth but I see I was wrong.

#### **Adverbs**

ago (r) in the past

My husband died two years ago.

alike (r) equally

Perhaps because we're very much alike, you and I.

already (r) prior to a specified or implied time

And he can't very well put an engagement ring on your finger if that's already there.



**anyway** (r) used to indicate that a statement explains or supports a previous statement *It doesn't matter if we're a little late, Martin. The first act's no good anyway.* 

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back (r) in or to or toward a former location

Oh, I've torn my dress, Martin, I'll have to go back to the house.

by the way (r) introducing a different topic; in point of fact

By the way, which young man is it tonight?

directly (r) without deviation

We'll go to your house first, skip the theater, directly to the Blue Angel.

**down** (r) spatially or metaphorically from a higher to a lower level or position *It is dark down there, ma'am.* 

hardly (r) almost not

But it hardly matters, does it?

no matter (r) in spite of everything; without regard to drawbacks

He'd go racing down to the beach for a swim, no matter how late is was.

otherwise (r) in other respects or ways

I suppose I'd better, otherwise he might sue you for breach of promise.

usually (r) under normal conditions

And usually I'd be fool enough to go with him.



# **Lesson Video Script**

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Christine...

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Why, Chris.

Oh, hello, Janet.

Explain yourself.

Explain what?

Brooding on the balcony.

It just isn't being done this season.

I wasn't brooding.

Lying to one's sister's out this season, too.

Strangest thing happened.

I thought I heard a man's voice out over the ocean, calling my name.

Next time he calls, ask him if he has a friend for me.

I'm serious.

How can you be serious?

It was the wind, or those fog horns.

Perhaps, but it sounded like...Paul.

It's been two years now, Christine.

I know.

But for a moment out over the ocean, I felt very close to him again.

He used to love the ocean, you know, especially at night.

He'd go racing down to the beach for a swim, no matter how late is was.

And usually I'd be fool enough to go with him.

If any husband of mine ever chased me into the ocean in the middle of the night, I'd shoot him.

He did a lot of crazy things, some of them bad.

But I don't think I could ever love another man the way I loved Paul.

Chris, you've gotta stop talking like this.

You're getting morbid!

Oh, it's not as bad as all that, brat.

It is bad.

Look at this dress.

You can't wear black when you're going out on a date.

Looks as if you were still, well...

in mourning?

Well, yes.

I just happen to like black, that's all.

I know, but just for tonight,

it isn't exactly appropriate.

And Chris, don't wear your wedding ring tonight either.

Why not?

It might make it awkward for Martin.

Oh, is Martin going to propose again tonight?

Well, he might.

And he can't very well put an engagement ring on your finger if that's already there.

By the way, what kind of a ring has Martin bought for me?

An enormous diamond with...oh, Chris, you will say yes tonight, won't you?

I suppose I'd better, otherwise he might sue you for breach of promise.

Oh darling, I'm so excited, and I've got just the right dress all picked out for you.

Will you wear it?

Anything you say.

And bring out my new ermine, will you?



You know, Chris, I think your cloak with the seguins might look better on your tonight.

I take it you have a date for tonight, too.

As a matter of fact, I have.

All right, I'll wear the sequins, you wear the ermine.

Well, if you insist, thanks.

I like your hair like this.

But you could do with a little more lipstick.

And you could do with a little less.

Do you suppose it's Martin?

You know Martin would never honk a horn at a lady.

It's probably your young man.

By the way, which young man is it tonight?

It's...You know, I've forgotten.

Have a good time and come home early.

Well, I can't do both.

Then you come home early.

You come home engaged.

Mrs. Faber's residence.

Yes sir.

Mrs. Faber.

It's Mr. Abbott, ma'am.

Thank you, Emily, I'll take it here.

Hello, Martin. Don't tell me you're standing me up.

No, no, it's just that some idiotic client came into the office at the last minute, and I...

well no, I know it's not serious, but...

I... I... particularly didn't want to have anything interfer with tonight.

Well, no, you see, I wanted to show you that I'm not always the lawyer with his mind on cases and affidavits.

No, I'm really the romantic type with my mind on you.

Yeah, I thought it was a nice speech.

I dreamed it up this afternoon in felony court.

It doesn't matter if we're a little late, Martin. The first act's no good anyway.

I'll walk over along the beach to your house, then you won't have to waste the time driving over here.

Oh. I wouldn't do that.

But I want to walk over, Martin. I'll enjoy it.

Oh, of course it's safe.

Now stop talking like an old maid.

Goodbye.

It is dark down there, ma'am.

And you, Emily, stop talking like Martin Abbott.

Lock the patio door after me, will you? Good night.

Christine...

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I don't blame you for being frightened.

You made a decision tonight that angered him,

and now you're fighting to sustain it.

You have all my hopes fighting with you, madam.

I felt you were married.

I saw your husband dead and you were moving toward a new marriage

but I see I was wrong.

Sometimes I am.

Good night, goodbye.



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You weren't mistaken.

My husband died two years ago.

I felt I could not be wrong.

I saw him, dead, and his car in flames.

I don't understand how you know all this.

I suppose people do talk.

Do you live around here?

No, I wish I did live on the ocean.

Here is my name and where I live.

Alexis.

Psychic consultant.

Oh.

I see you place me in the same category with fortune tellers, snake charmers, and magicians.

Oh well, many people do.

But you must know who I am.

How else would you know all these things?

Perhaps because we're very much alike, you and I.

Free spirits, both of us, like my friend here.

We like the night, the mist of the ocean.

The wind whispers to us and the sand feels cool under our feet.

We're not like, oh, I have his name now, like Martin.

There's nothing wrong with Martin.

Of course not.

If only he would understand how little he understands.

Well, Martin is very logical.

Yes, that's why you should marry him.

Even free spirits have to come in out of the night sometimes and put on their shoes,

pay their bills, go to the dentist,

and of course, family dinners on Sunday.

You really shouldn't be so irritated by his little mannerisms

like when he clears his throat,

announcing that he's going to kiss you any minute,

or when he counts off all his plans on the tips of his fingers.

How could... how?

I can't tell you how I know these things.

But it hardly matters, does it?

Since we're not going to meet again.

Christine...

Chris!

Oh, over here, Martin.

Hi. Hello.

Well you certainly had me scared. What kept you so long?

Well, I was talking to this man...

Well, he was here.

Could I've imagined him?

He was fantastic enough.

Well, let's get going.

Oh, I've torn my dress, Martin, I'll have to go back to the house.

All right.

We'll go to your house first, skip the theater, directly to the blue angel.

What's the matter?

Nothing, it's just that it's so late, and I'm a little upset, could we make it some other night?

Of course.

Are you sure you understand?

When it concerns you, Christine, there's nothing I don't understand.