

How the Red Line Changed My Life

Hi, my name is Hazel Co and honestly my life is pretty crazy. When things go wrong, somehow I always get lucky and always end up in a better situation than before. I don't know if it's God or a guardian angel but I'm not complaining. Ever since I was 15, a green line and red line would appear whenever I had to make a hard decision or didn't know which path to follow. I always went with the green line because you know that saying, "green means go." Well, in other ways red means stop and I don't want to stop. I wanna keep going and living the amazing life I was blessed with from the green line. From the very beginning the red line intimidated me so much I was always scared to choose it over the green line. So I never chose it, but one day that changed.

After securing my dream job as a movie producer and owning my own house, I thought my life was set. Then, last week I found out that my boyfriend Jaden had been cheating on me. The day I found out, we planned to meet up after work at his house. I tried to call him to let him know that I was going to have a quick discussion with my boss before I came over, but Jaden never answered his phone. I figured it'd be ok, so I stayed and talked to my boss about the promotion he offered me the day before. I talked to him for about 15 minutes and it went really well. My boss said my promotion was gonna be effective immediately. I was so ecstatic, I drove to Jaden's right away to tell him the big news. As I pulled into the driveway I saw a red Lamborghini parked in front of his house. Which is unusual because I thought it was just gonna be Jaden and I. I quickly brushed off the thought of someone else being here because Jaden has always been by my side supporting me and I really wanted to make him proud. I rushed to the

door with a smile on my face. The door was already unlocked so I just walk in and call out Jaden's name a few times.

After trying to call for Jaden, I noticed there was music playing, but not just regular music. It sounded lovey and romantic, like someone was trying to set the mood. So I think, "Oh my goodness Jaden is trying to surprise me right now!" I decide to follow these rose petals that led to Jaden's bedroom upstairs. As I got closer to Jaden's bedroom, I started hearing two voices. Two voices, one that belonged to Jaden and someone else I didn't know. My heart was racing so fast. I opened his bedroom door and I see Jaden naked under the blanket next to another man. I stand there completely shocked. I felt like I was living my worst nightmare and I just wanted all of this to go away. My thoughts of sadness towered over me as Jaden was trying to convince me he wasn't cheating on me. I plummet to the ground with my eyes filled with tears. I look up at Jaden and see two years of my life I spent with him, gone. I look down and see the green and red line appear before me. I felt so awful and impulsively chose the red line. The red line took me to where I've never gone before. I was in all white clothes and in an empty white room. I stand up and look around in confusion. This voice calls out to me from a speaker and says, "Hazel Co?" I respond with, "Yes that's me, where am I?" The man on the speaker then says, "You're at the headquarters of Australian Secret Services, you have been recruited to be one of the top secret agents of this country. We only expect the best from you and your test will start soon." At this point I just stand there completely confused and unaware of how I even got to Australia. I kept trying to wrap this whole thing around my head and then I just think to myself, "How about I just give this a shot." During the recruitment test I felt like someone else. I somehow had all these fighting skills and was able to strategically think. I successfully completed all the tests I needed

to and one year later, I am now Australia's top secret agent. I left my old life behind me. I haven't spoken to Jaden since that day but he is now openly gay and is married to the guy I caught him with. I later learned that the red line had been accumulating this certain power for me my whole life. The day I finally chose the red line, I gained all the power the red line had been saving. This power allows me to be whoever I want to be and accomplish all the things I want to by simply envisioning a goal in my mind. I have been truly blessed with the red line's power and it has taught me that I am strong enough to choose a path for myself.