

Karthik Calling Karthik

Study Notes



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Synopsis

Karthik is an introvert by nature and shy by choice. Karthik suffers with huge confidence issues and is miserable at his just average job that yields less than average results. His boss treats him like dirt. Shonali, his colleague who he secretly loves doesn't even know he exists. Karthik is a loser. He knows it, and accepts it. He believes his life can't get any worse and then suddenly one night, it happens; the phone rings. And Karthik speaks to someone he never thought he would – he speaks to a man who also claims to be Karthik. The man on the phone says that he is here to change Karthik's life. Karthik accepts the phone in his life and soon it becomes his guide, his mentor, friend and guardian. And most importantly it becomes the ticket to the love of his life, Shonali and Karthik's life changes in ways that he hadn't imagined.

Questions For Discussion

1. How would you explain Karthik's personality and behaviour?
2. Karthik does not use a mobile phone, or have a telephone at home. What are his reasons for this decision? Do you consider his argument justified?
3. How do the telephone calls that Karthik receives help him? Try thinking of examples from the film to validate your point.
4. Do you find the plot engaging or do you find it very predictable?