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## THE BOOK PLEA

by: CYNTHIA M. PASTORAL

It's been a long time since you left me.

Ignoring me makes me lonely.

Jealousy started inside of me.

Choosing smartphone all day long,

And here I am alone in Rome.

In my mind there's too much worry.

Thinking that nobody dares to touch me.

I'm afraid I'll be dusty and blurry

For in the eyes of many, beauty fades within me.

In my heart you are dear to me.

Sharing my brain so tirelessly.

Willing to give all the knowledge you need.

Just be patient to open the page; for it's the key for you to succeed.

Remember the times when you know less.

Even letters, words, phrases, and sentences.

I never treated you as useless fellow;

Instead, taught you and instructed

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you to follow 'till your dreams come true.

Leaves with vibrant colors so precious and joyous,  
warmth and inspiring words for strangers and travelers,  
brilliant and amazing ideas to improve lives and revolutionize,  
and diverse languages bringing peace and happiness,  
all these I gave you for a better tomorrow.

Now, I challenge you! Bridge the gap between me and you.

Constant communication is what we must do.

Forget me not and keep in touch.

Don't just leave me on the couch, but rather hear me shout.

Choose me! Pick me, and read me!

For I am the way for unity,  
which leads the community to victory and harmony.

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