Love means never having to say you're sorry

What exactly is love? There is no clear answer to this question. You may ask any person on earth and all of them would come up with a different definition. Some may say love is when you can't live without the other. Other may say love is when you would do everything for the the one you love. According to Erich Seagal, the author of Love Story, love means never having to say you're sorry. How can we interpret this statement? Is it true? I believe, that there is no right or wrong answer when it comes to the definition to love and this also applies to Erich Seagal's quote.

Not having to apologise to your significant other is Seagal's definition of love. In a way, I believe that Seagal's statement is true. In front of your loved one, you shouldn't have to apoligise for the little mistakes you make, for not knowing something, you don't have to apologise for being yourself, because they will accept you the way you are and will love you for your mistakes. You can feel comfortable with whatever you're doing and don't have to feel like you are being judged every second. You accidentally put salt into their coffee instead of sugar? That's fine, everyone makes mistakes. You fart infront of your partner? No reason to apologise, they won't love you any less. No matter what you do, you are accepted the way you are. It's a beautiful definition of love.

At the same time I believe that Seagal's statement is not entirely true. Apologies may not always be necessary, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't do it. If for example you destroy your partner's car, even if it was unintentional, you should probably apologise. If you have a fight and realise that you are wrong, you should apologise and make up with significant other. In some situations, not saying sorry is just rude. Some mistakes may be bigger than others. Especially if you end up hurting your loved one in any way, you should definitely apologise.

As you can see, Seagal's definition is neither wrong nor right. It is true in a way, at the same time it has it's fault and in my point of view that also applies to any other definition of love. Love is when you can't live without the other? Indeed, it is hard to imagine a world without them, but it is still possible live without them. Many people have lost their one true love and their still alive. All you want to do is to make the one you love happy? That's not wrong either. If you truly are in love, the best think you could wish for is your partner to be happy. But would you really do anything for the one you love without any second thought? You may think so, but this definition would also apply to toxic relationships. Maybe your partner is a true sadist and enjoys hurting you. If you let them do whatever they want because you're blinded by love, can you call it true love or is it just an obsession? This might be a harsh example but it still supports my point.

In the end there is no clear definition for love. As we saw in Seagal's example, it might be true to a certain degree, but at the same time it's not. I believe everyone has to find their own definition of what exactly love is and everyone has to decide what is true for them and what isn't. Maybe the true meaning of love is that it can't be defined, but that again is just another definition that is neither true nor wrong.