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ACT ONE

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TIGHT ON AN EGG 1 ... as a pair of HANDS BREAK it on to a large industrial griddle... where it joins... LOTS OF EGGS 2 ...cooking...over easy eggs, scrambled eggs, fried eggs...and into the FRAME COMES... A HAND 3 ...holding a spatula...FLIPPING the over easy eggs...CHOPPING the scrambled eggs...SMASHING the fried eggs...all done fast and with great dexterity... TOAST 4 ...POPPING UP...in a large industrial toaster...and... HANDS 5 ... TAKE the toast out, BUTTER IT, and PUT IT into a waiting linen-lined basket...all done with the FLUID MOTIONS of hands that do this every morning...and then we see... **PANCAKES** 6 ...on a grill...some being POURED by one set of HANDS...some being FLIPPED by another...and then... 7 * A COFFEE POT ... shiny silver... yet another pair of HANDS is HOLDING IT under... 8

A COMMERCIAL COFFEE URN

...FILLING UP THE COFFEE POT...as STEAM RISES until the urn is TURNED OFF...the coffee pot's silver top is SNAPPED SHUT ...and...

| HANDS | 9 |
|--|----|
| hand the coffee pot to the waiting HANDS of a waiter and we stay with | |
| THE COFFEE POT | 10 |
| in the waiter's hands as he CARRIES IT to a set of | |
| SWINGING DOORS | 11 |
| and we STAY ON THE COFFEE POT as the waiter PUSHES OPEN the doorsand WE ENTER | |
| THE DINING ROOM | 12 |
| and we HEAR the BUZZ of dozens of CONVERSATIONwe continue to STAY WITH THE COFFEE POT as the waiter CARRIES IT past tablesthe glimpses of expensive linen, china, flowers, etc. tell us that this is a very nice restaurantalso very crowdedone of those hotel restaurants where anybody-who's-anybody eats breakfast regularlyand the COFFEE POT STOPS at | |
| A TABLE | 13 |
| where TWO MEN are having breakfastalthough we only see the table, their HANDS and | |
| A RACING FORM | 14 |
| spread out on the tableas the WAITER REFILLS their coffee cups we hear | |

MAN #1 (0.S.)

(fast; emphatic)

You might as well take your money and burn it because I'm tellin' you, he's not a distance horse. Six furlongs, he's gonna get blown off the map.

MAN #2 (O.S.) How do you know that?

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MAN #1 (O.S.)
What am I, talking to myself?
Go ahead, you got money to
throw in the street...

...and the COFFEE POT MOVES ON to...

ANOTHER TABLE

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...where we see the HANDS of TWO MORE MEN...in front of them are TWO PLATES OF BREAKFAST...one almost empty, the other barely touched. The HANDS in front of the empty plate are gesturing...the OTHER HANDS are obviously the hands of an unhappy person...one hand is clenched into a nervous fist...the other PUSHES FOOD AROUND ON THE PLATE with his fork...a folded "VARIETY" lay on the table between them...

AGENT (O.S.) Now I could make that call, but \overline{I} don't think it's a good idea and I'll tell you why --

CLIENT (O.S.)
Because that would be dangerously close to <u>earning</u> your
ten percent?

AGENT (O.S.)
Come on, don't get defensive on me.

... the WAITER has filled one cup...moves to the other...

CLIENT (O.S.)
I'm getting defensive?

AGENT (O.S.)
You're getting that tone in
your voice. You have to get
past this attitude problem,
because it's all over town...

... the WAITER MOVES ON...we FOLLOW THE COFFEE POT until it reaches...

ANOTHER TABLE

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...where we see the HANDS of TWO WOMEN. The WAITER POURS COFFEE into one empty cup...as we hear...

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MRS. KENDRICK (O.S.)

I can't stay much longer. I have to meet my lawyer at ten.

...the OTHER WOMAN'S HAND COVERS a half-filled cup of coffee ... and we HEAR...

MADDIE (O.S.)

Six is my limit. No thanks.

...the WAITER MOVES ON...we stay at the table...and PULL BACK TO REVEAL...

MADDIE

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...looking a bit concerned...she's having breakfast with...

MRS. DOROTHY KENDRICK

18

...she's in her late thirties, very mature and aloof...her clothes and jewelry tell us she's quite wealthy...she's looking at her diamond wristwatch...

MADDIE

I'm sure David will be here any minute, Mrs. Kendrick.

MRS. KENDRICK You do understand, I really need those pictures today. The hearing is the day after tomorrow.

MADDIE

I understand.

ON MRS. KENDRICK

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...she lights a cigarette...studies Maddie's face...

MRS. KENDRICK Do you? Do you realize how important this is to me?

MADDIE

I know there's a lot of money involved--

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MRS. KENDRICK
Miss Hayes, if I don't
convince the judge by Friday...
if I don't have solid evidence
that my husband's pleas of
poverty are a crock of what
this coffee tastes like, I'm
going to be forced to take
his offer...and that isn't
even enough money to pay
the gardener...

MADDIE

You have a very strong case, Mrs. Kendrick. We've got photos of your husband in the yacht he claims he sold... photos of the Ferrari he bought his girlfriend, the bill of sale with his signature...

MRS. KENDRICK
None of which does me a bit
of good until it's in my
hands.

MADDIE

I'm sure David will be here...

MRS. KENDRICK

(unimpressed)

Yes...I know...

(putting

out her

cigarette)

...any minute...

...and we...

CUT TO:

DAVID

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... ENTERING the restaurant...he looks like the proverbial wrath of God...unshaven, shirttail hanging out, clothes look like he slept in them...that's because he did... sunglasses so that no amount of light can get anywhere near his eyes...WALKING fast...he know's he's late...he makes his way to...

THE MAITRE 'D

21

...who is not impressed by David's appearance...David heads him off at the pass...

DAVID
(candidly)
I'm with Mr. Springsteen's
party. Don't bother...
I'll find him.

...and David makes his way to...

OMIT 22

OMIT 22

MADDIE'S TABLE

23

...and she sees him...

MADDIE

There he is!

(she stands)

David!

ON DAVID

24

23

...he makes his way over...

DAVID

(all charm)

Good morning, Maddie, Mrs. Kendrick. Sorry I'm a little late.

MRS. KENDRICK

Mr. Addison...you're a lot

late.

MADDIE

(covering)

But the important thing is,

you made it.

(to David

through a

clenched

smile, as

they sit)

Stay downwind.

MRS. KENDRICK

(to David)

I don't have time for small talk, I'd just like the

photos.

DAVID

The photos?

MADDIE

The pictures.

DAVID

The pictures?

MRS. KENDRICK

The pictures I hired you to take. The pictures we've been waiting for you to bring. pictures without which you can kiss your retainer goodbye.

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DAVID

Oh...those pictures.

(and then)
Would you settle for a

thousand words?

ON MRS. KENDRICK

25

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...clearly not amused...she's already picking up her purse and sliding her chair back...

MRS. KENDRICK

(standing)

Miss Hayes, I think you'll agree I've been more than patient.

MADDIE

Mrs. Kendrick, don't you think...

DAVID

No...she doesn't...

...and Mrs. Kendrick LOOKS at...

DAVID

25A

...who smiles an innocent smile...

ON MRS. KENDRICK

25B

...as she turns...

MRS. KENDRICK

Good day.

ON MADDIE

26

...watching the case literally walk out the door...and TURNING TO...

DAVID

27

...trying his best to look contrite...and we HEAR a SLOW GROWL coming from...

MADDIE

28

... several shades of livid... David motions for her to calm down...

DAVID

Now before you get mad...

MADDIE

(standing)

Too late.

...and Maddie THROWS her NAPKIN DOWN and is GONE in a BLAZE of FURY...

DAVID

Tough table...

...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

THE ELEVATOR

... as the doors OPEN to REVEAL...

MADDIE

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...looking like smoke might pour out of her ears at any moment...and she PLOWS FORWARD...as David FOLLOWS...PLEADING his case...the picture of sincerity...

DAVID

Maddie!

MADDIE

Leave me alone, I don't know you!

DAVID

I told you...it wasn't my fault! The freeway was jammed...there was this big accident...

MADDIE

(over her shoulder)

What? A gin truck overturned?

...and without further acknowledging his existence...she CHARGES into...

OMIT 31

OMIT 31

INT. BLUE MOON OFFICE - DAY

32

... as DIPESTO LOOKS UP from her desk as they ENTER...

DIPESTO
(cheerfully;
not having
had time to
read Maddie's
mood)

Good morning, Miss Hayes.

MADDIE (doesn't slow down)

Grrrr....

DIPESTO

Yes, Miss Hayes.

DAVID

That's it? You're just gonna go hide in your office and be mad at me?

ON MADDIE

32A

32

...stopping...TURNING...

MADDIE

I'm not "mad" at you. I hate you! I despise you! I loathe the ground under which you burrow!

ON DAVID

32B

... not at all sure what the big deal is...

DAVID

Just because I showed up a tad tardy?

ON MADDIE

33

...fed up...and she WHEELS around...moving into her office and SLAMMING the DOOR SO HARD...that all the pictures in the office drop off their hooks SIMULTANEOUSLY...

ANOTHER ANGLE

34

...as David glances at Dipesto...

DAVID

Maybe it was the wind.

CONTINUED:

DIPESTO

Are you in trouble?

DAVID

(ambling towards
Maddie's office)
Trouble? Me? Trouble is my
middle name. I laugh at
trouble. I tickle trouble
under the chin.

DIPESTO

Miss Hayes seemed a little upset.

DAVID

Miss Hayes is always a little upset. She'll get over it. She'll come crawling out of there before you can say...



ON MADDIE'S DOOR

...as it OPENS...

MADDIE

(furious)

Get in here!

DAVID

(to Dipesto)

She's crazy about me...

...and HEADS FOR...

INT. MADDIE'S OFFICE

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34A

... as David ENTERS... and Maddie CLOSES the door behind him...

MADDIE

(calmly;
controlled)

I want to know why you were late...I want to know why you forgot the photographs... and I want to know why you smell like you slept in a cesspool.

DAVID

What was I supposed to do, Maddie? Leave the guy trapped in a burning car because I didn't want to singe my cufflinks?

MADDIE

(biting her tongue; pronouncing each word)

David...that is a stupid lie.

DAVID

That is not a stupid lie.
"The dog ate my term paper"
is a stupid lie. "Of course
we can still be friends" is
a stupid lie. I happen to
think you can buy wreck-onthe-freeway and still hold
your head up.

ANOTHER ANGLE

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... as Maddie just GLARES at him...unflinching...

CONTINUED:

DAVID

No sale, huh?

MADDIE

Not even at half price.

DAVID

Okay...for the sake of argument...let's say it was my fault. Did it ever occur to you that maybe I'm a normal person...

MADDIE

That <u>certainly</u> never occured to me...

DAVID (cont'd)

...capable of making an occasional honest mistake?

MADDIE

Honest mistake?

DAVID

Honest mistake Maddie. Haven't you ever heard of human error?

MADDIE

Yes...but how would that apply to you?

DAVID

I'm talking about everyday mishaps...forgetting to set your alarm clock...

MADDIE

(hands over

ears)

I'm not listening to this...

DAVID (cont'd)

...losing directions to the restaurant...

MADDIE

You're wasting your breath...

DAVID (cont'd)

...waking up on the floor of a bar with a cop checking your pulse...

CONTINUED:

MADDIE

(pointing at

him)

I knew it!

DAVID

A little free advice. Never order a drink called "Viscious Virgin". Or at least, never order five.

MADDIE

(gathering steam)

You know our financial situation...you know the kind of money the Kendrick case could bring in...and you show up looking like the wrath of God and smelling like a wine cellar...

DAVID

More like a wine <u>buyer</u>, if you want to get technical...

MADDIE (cont'd)

...having completely forgotten why we're there in the first place...but are you embarrassed? ...are you guilt-ridden? No! It doesn't even phase you!

DAVID

Nonsense. I'm as phased as the next guy...

MADDIE

You see what I mean? If you cared, you wouldn't be doing this standup routine. You'd be apologizing...you'd be trying to make amends.

DAVID

Make an amend? I've never even seen one.

MADDIE

(having had
enough;
heading towards
him)

Out!

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DAVID (backing up)

Out?

MADDIE (marching him backwards to the office door)

Out of my office...out of my sight...out of my zip code! Go somewhere. Do I need to be more specific?

DAVID
(pressed against
the door)
Can we have time out for a
little "perspective" check
here? I don't think this
is going to be the end of
life as we know it. I don't
think tomorrow's headline is
going to read ADDISON BLOWS

CASE/WORLD SELF-DESTRUCTS.

MADDIE
It's not the case, David.
It's you. I'm sick of you...
of never being able to depend
on you for anything.

DAVID
That's not true. You can
depend on me.
(and then;
thinking
better of it)
...a great deal of the time.

ON MADDIE

37

... the meaning of this addendum not lost on her...

MADDIE

Why do I bother? Why do I put myself through this? Why can't I just give up and accept the fact that you are incapable of acting like a responsible adult.

CONTINUED:

DAVID

(simply)

Wrong.

MADDIE

Wrong?

DAVID

Wrong. Incorrect. You lose all your accumulated points and the Broyhill Dinette Set.

MADDIE

Are you trying to tell me that you are a dependable person?

DAVID

No. I'm telling you I'm not incapable of being a dependable person.

MADDIE

Please...

DAVID

It's the truth. If I wanted to...I could be the picture of dependability.

MADDIE

So...what you're saying is... the way you are is a conscious choice...conscious being a relative term. That it?

CONTINUED:

DAVID

Yes...

MADDIE

This ...

(indicating David)

...is not an unfortunate genetic mishap, but something you work at?

DAVID

Absolutely...

MADDIE

And one day you could simply choose to be an entirely different person?

DAVID

Does Dolly Parton sleep on her back?

MADDIE

(doesn't buy a word of it) You were having better luck with the freeway story.

DAVID

What do you think, Maddie? People's behavior patterns are decided at birth...like gender, or eye color? Or do you think people become irresponsible because they aren't getting enough vitamins?

MADDIE

I love your logic. "I'm a jerk but it's voluntary"...so that makes it okay.

DAVID

Lemme tell you something, Maddie. I think it's safe it assume that I've been down a few more roads than you...

MADDIE

...you mean slept in a few more gutters...

CONTINUED:

DAVID (cont'd)

...and I know by now which roads are for me, and which roads are for other people ...and where the dead ends are...

MADDIE

Fine. Do you think we could bring this conversation to one?

DAVID (cont'd)
...And the fact that the
way I choose to be happens
to differ from the way you
choose to be, doesn't give
you the right to get on
your morally superior high
horse!

MADDIE

Is that so?

DAVID

Yes, that's so.

MADDIE

Well, that works out kind of nice for the irresponsible team, doesn't it? You count on the rest of us to cover for you, so you'll be free to do whatever you please. What if I'd wanted to pass out in a bar last night?

DAVID

Nobody would've stopped you. In fact...lotta people would've helped.

MADDIE

And who would've met Mrs. Kendrick for breakfast?

| ON DAVID | | | 38 |
|------------------|--|-----------|-----|
| he's caught | .and he knows it | | |
| ON MADDIE | | | 39 |
| just looking | at him for a LONG MOMENTand | then | |
| | MADDIE You don't have a quick answer for that onedo you? | | |
| ON DAVID | | | 40 |
| the truth hur | tsand he says nothing | | |
| FAVORING MADDIE | | | 41 |
| looking at him | menjoying the silence | | |
| | MADDIE What's the matter? Has the wit well run dry? | | |
| | DAVID (quietly) Guess so. (and then) May I be excused? | | |
| | MADDIE I'm not sure I'm through talking. | | |
| | DAVID (turning) WellI'm sure through listening. | | |
| and he makes l | his way across the office and | OUT | |
| THE DOOR | | | 41A |
| CLOSING it bel | hind him | | |
| ON MADDIE | | | 41B |
| the SOUND of the | standing there for a LONG MOME door CLOSING in her headar sionPICKS UP the phonear | d FINALLY | |

41B

MADDIE

(into phone)
Mrs. Kendrick? This is
Madolyn Hayes. I just wanted
to apologize for this morning
... And I wanted to tell you
that if there's anyway you'd
consider giving us another
chance, you have my word we
wouldn't let you down.

(lightens; and then)

You would?...Tomorrow morning would be fine. I really appreciate this...We'll be there, eight o'clock sharp. Don't worry...Goodbye.

...and she hangs up...and SIGHS...and STARTS out of her office and into...

THE RECEPTION AREA

42

...as she BURSTS into it...quickly making her way across the hall to...

DAVID'S DOOR

43

...and she KNOCKS on the door...and there is no answer...

MADDIE

(after a moment; calling through the door)

David?

...and there is still no answer...and Maddie looks puzzled... and REACHES for the doorknob...

INT. DAVID'S OFFICE

44

...dark...LIGHTS OFF...all but one set of blinds closed... David SITTING...his back to us...staring off at the CLOUDY CITY THROUGH the one open set of blinds...and Maddie TAKES THIS IN...and then...

MADDIE

David?

...and he doesn't answer...and as she REACHES for the light switch...

CONTINUED:

DAVID

(simply)

Don't.

...and Maddie TAKES HER HAND AWAY from the switch...and LOOKS at him a MOMENT...then...

MADDIE

David...I just called Mrs. Kendrick and she's willing to give us another chance... we're meeting with her tomorrow morning...

DAVID

I can't.

MADDIE

Excuse me?

DAVID

I have to go to New York.

MADDIE

New York?

DAVID

I have to leave right away. I'll be back in a couple of days.

MADDIE

I see.

(and then)

Funny. I don't seem to remember you asking me for the time off.

DAVID

Just got a call...something's come up.

MADDIE

Some old friend throwing a party you can't miss?

DAVID

(somber)

Some old friend throwing a funeral. His own.

| ON MADDIE | | | 43 |
|----------------|---|-------------|------|
| who instantly | feels terrible | | |
| | MADDIE (almost a whisper) DavidI'm sorry | | |
| ON DAVID | | | 46 |
| sada bit c | onfused | | |
| | DAVID Yeah. Me, too. MADDIE | | |
| | Who was it? | | |
| | DAVID Guy I knew when I lived in the Village. (David stares out the window again) Turned his car over on the Jersey Turnpike this morning. (sad smile) And I thought I was having a bad day. | | **** |
| ON MADDIE | | | 47 |
| she feels help | MADDIE Is there anything I can do? | | |
| | DAVID Yeah. Tell me all the flights to New York are booked. | | |
| | MADDIE I don't understand. | | |
| | DAVID Long story. Let's just say I'd rather be going to my own funeral | | |
| | | (COMMINGED) | |

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MADDIE

Oh.

(not really understanding) Well...If you feel that strongly about it, do you really have to go?

DAVID Yes. I'm afraid I do.

MADDIE

When was the last time you saw him?

DAVID

Nine years ago.

MADDIE

But you've kept in touch?

DAVID

Not really.

MADDIE

(considering this;

and then)

I don't mean to sound cold, but I think you could get away with sending a nice wreath.

DAVID

It's not that simple.

(a lame

attempt

at explaining)

All my friends'll be

there...

MADDIE

I'm sure they'd understand.

DAVID

I have to go, Maddie.

an obligation.

MADDIE

To some guy you haven't seen in a decade?

DAVID

He was more than just some guy.

MADDIE

Even if he was your friend... I think...

DAVID

He was more than my friend.

(sighing;

reluctantly)

I was sort of related to him for a while.

(and then)

I was sort of married to his sister.

OMIT 48

OMIT 48

ON MADDIE

...who can't believe she heard right...

MADDIE

(after a moment)

Oh.

...and we...

FADE OUT

END OF ACT ONE

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ACT TWO

FADE IN:

TIGHT ON A BALLPOINT PEN

50

...held loosely between perfectly manicured fingers...
TAPPING on a desk blotter in a nervous rhythm...and we
PULL BACK TO REVEAL...

MADDIE

51

...unaware that she's tapping...staring down at her desk... lost in thought...and WE HEAR a KNOCK...

MADDIE

(after a moment; without looking

Come in.

ANOTHER ANGLE

51A

... as the DOOR OPENS and Dipesto STEPS IN...

DIPESTO

Miss Hayes? You haven't been out of your office all day. Would you like me to get you a sandwich or something?

MADDIE

(finally looking

upl

No. That's okay...I'm fine.

DIPESTO

You are?

MADDIE

Yes.

(and then)

No.

(and then;

the truth)

I don't know.

DIPESTO

Oh.

(and then)

I'm a little confused.

51A

MADDIE

You think you know a person. You think a person is your friend. You think there's nothing anyone could tell you about that person that would come as a shock...

DIPESTO

(hunting)

Mr. Addison?

MADDIE

Mr. Addison.

DIPESTO

Oh.

(and then)

What?

(and then)

You don't have to tell me.

(and then)

He's gay...isn't he?

ON MADDIE

51B

...and she just LOOKS at Ms. Dipesto...

MADDIE

Mr. Addison?

DIPESTO

Well...that's why you should tell me.

MADDIE

(a long moment;
and then;

simply)

Mr. Addison's been married.

DIPESTO

(shocked)

Has he?

...and Maddie NODS...

ON DIPESTO

52

... SHOCKED... SINKING into a chair...

DIPESTO

Wow! This is better than gay.

...lost in her thoughts...

MADDIE
I guess it's no big deal
that he never mentioned it.
No reason why he should
have mentioned it.

DIPESTO (not listening; amazed)

Mr. Addison...married?

MADDIE (cont'd) I mean...it's not like he was trying to hide it.

DIPESTO (still amazed)
Gosh...somewhere in the world there's a Mrs. Mr. Addison.

MADDIE

Yeah.

(and then)

No.

(and then)

A former Mrs. Mr. Addison.

DIPESTO

Wow!...I mean...Boy!

MADDIE

(she stands)

Well...

(she gets her purse)

We've wasted enough time on this mildly interesting development.

(looks at her watch)

Think the traffic's died down by now?

DIPESTO

(still lost in the shock of this discovery)

What do you suppose she looks like?

MADDIE

I don't know. How would I know? I hadn't given it any thought.

DIPESTO

Not at all?

MADDIE

Well...maybe a little. But if it took him all this time to even tell anybody, I'm not going to hold my breath for him to bring in the wedding pictures...

...and her VOICE trails off...something occuring to her...

ON DIPESTO

54

53

...looking at Maddie with a look that says "Are you thinking what I'm thinking?"...

ON MADDIE

55

...who is looking at Dipesto the same way...

ANOTHER ANGLE

56

...the two of them stand transfixed for a split second... and then...two minds with but a single thought...in perfect unison they MAKE A MAD DASH for...

THE DOOR

56A

... charging through it and into...

INT. RECEPTION AREA

57

...as Maddie and Dipesto RUN through the office to David's door...BURSTING into...

INT. DAVID'S OFFICE

58

...both making a bee-line for...

DAVID'S DESK

59

...and they GO AROUND to the drawers...

MADDIE

I'll take this one, you take that one.

DIPESTO

Right.

... they both OPEN drawers simultaneously...

THEIR P.O.V. - THE DRAWER'S CONTENTS

60

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...filled to the brim with an odd assortment of junk...toys, games, old issues of Playboy, etc...

ANOTHER ANGLE

61

... as they both sink to their knees to begin their search...

DIPESTO

(picking up a rubber chicken) This may take a while...

ON MADDIE

62

...she starts PICKING UP articles...a DART GUN...a COONSKIN CAP...a BASEBALL MITT...(with a baseball inside it, with rubber bands around it...he's working in the pocket)...from the look on Maddie's face, she could be sorting through a hamper of dirty diapers...

MADDIE

This man doesn't need an office. He needs a playpen.

...and Maddie PICKS UP a stack of magazines...and Dipesto sees them...

DIPESTO

(trying to reassure Maddie)

Don't worry...he only buys those for the articles.

MADDIE

(picking up a
magnifying
glass)

And this is for the fine print, I suppose.

... Maddie puts the stuff back in the drawer... she's losing hope...



62

MADDIE

(closing the drawer)

We're wasting our time.
There's nothing in here
but junk and smut. Besides,
who cares what she looks
like.

DIPESTO

(spotting

something)

Here's a picture!

MADDIE

(quickly)

Where?

...Dipesto REACHES into the bottom of her drawer and PULLS OUT A slightly crumbled 5 x 7...LOOKS at it...her EYES WIDEN...

DIPESTO

Hubba, hubba!

...and Maddie TAKES the photo...and LOOKS at it...and LOOKS at Dipesto...

MADDIE

Agnes, I don't think David was married to Miss Bikini California.

(and then)

He said he met her while he was living in New York.

(and then)

He was tending bar at some place in the Village. She walked in. It was more than ten years ago...I feel stupid just talking about it. I almost got married a couple of times. Everybody gets married...or almost married.

ON DIPESTO

63

...and she clears her throat...

MADDIE (cont'd)

Your day will come.

CONTINUED:

DIPESTO

I know.

(and then)

So what else?

MADDIE

That's all I know.

DIPESTO

Aren't you dying of curiosity?

MADDIE

Dying? I wouldn't say dying.
I'm a <u>little</u> curious, maybe...
but only because it's sort of
...amusing...to think that at
some point, David Addison put
on a tuxedo, walked down an
aisle and promised to spend
the rest of his <u>life</u> with
someone...I mean I have trouble
with the concept of David
promising to spend the rest
of a <u>night</u> with someone...

(and then; pulling herself up from the floor)

It's late. We really should go home.

ANOTHER ANGLE

63A

... as Dipesto does the same... and the two women look at each other...

DIPESTO

Miss Hayes, if you don't mind my saying so, you're taking this very well.

MADDIE

(amused)

Taking what very well Ms. Dipesto? It's not going to make a difference in my life.

DIPESTO

It's not?

MADDIE

Of course not.
(turning;
starting
out of the
office)

So David used to be married. A lot of people used to be married.

(and then)

Your day for that will come too.

INT. RECEPTION AREA

64

63A

... Maddie making her way through it... Dipesto following...

MADDIE (cont'd)
So he's going to see her for
the first time in nine years?
So? What possible impact
could that have on my life?

DIPESTO

None...I guess.

MADDIE

(amused)

You guess?

DIPESTO

I mean...none. Absolutely.

MADDIE

Absolutely positively.

(and there
doesn't seem
to be any
more to say)

Well...

(and then)

See you in the morning.

... and she TURNS and STARTS for the door...

ON DIPESTO

65

...it has to be said...

DIPESTO

(quietly)

Unless they got back together.

ON MADDIE'S BACK 66 ...as she STOPS IN HER TRACKS... MADDIE (after a long moment; without turning around) What was that? ON DIPESTO 67 ...deeply regretting having said anything... **DIPESTO** Nothing. I just said...how about this weather? ANOTHER ANGLE 68 ...as Maddie SLOWLY TURNS... MADDIE You said "unless they got back together". DIPESTO (in an apologetic burst) I know. I know I did, but I didn't mean to! I just opened my mouth and out it came! MADDIE And what possible impact could that have on my life? ON DIPESTO 68A ...and...as if afraid of giving the wrong answer...she says NOTHING...

ON MADDIE

68B

...tired of waiting...

MADDIE

It would have none None.

Agnes.

(and then; turning once more)

Goodnight...Ms. Dipesto.

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|---|----|----|----|-----|---|
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68B

...and she is through the door...and a moment later...she is gone...

ON MS. DIPESTO

68C

...standing there...staring at the EMPTY SPACE where Maddie stood...and we HOLD for a LONG MOMENT...and then...

DISSOLVE TO:

CANDLES

69

... small candles FLICKERING through opaque candleholders... lines up on what appears to be a marble shelf... over this we HEAR the sound of WATER RUNNING... and we SLOWLY PAN TO FIND...

...A BATHTUB FAUCET...

70

... POURING WATER down into...

BUBBLES

71

...a blanket of bubbles...and we CONTINUE TO PAN SLOWLY until we find...

MADDIE'S HEAD

72

...the only thing we can see above the bubbles...she has her hair piled on top of her head...she's lying back in the tub, staring into space lost in thought, looking worried... she REACHES up to the marble edge (near the candles) and finds...

A GLASS OF WINE

73

...and she SIPS IT SLOWLY...she doesn't really want it, but knows that sleep is going to be hard to come by...and we...

CUT TO:

INT. MADDIE'S BEDROOM

7.4

...as Maddie APPEARS in the doorway...wearing a silk robe over silk pajamas...still carrying her glass of wine... she PAUSES in the doorway...REACHES UP and TURNS OFF the overhead light...the room is now DARK except for a small lamp by her bed...as she WALKS TOWARDS the bed she LETS HER HAIR DOWN, SHAKES IT OUT...she SETS the glass of wine on the nightstand beside her bed...she TAKES OFF the robe and lets it DROP to the floor, where she leaves it...she GETS INTO BED...PULLS THE COVERS around her...TURNS OFF the lamp...she lies on her side...both hands under her head...stares at the glass of wine, for no reason other than the fact that it is available to be stared at...her eyelids START TO DROOP... she's tired, even though she's upset...she finally CLOSES HER EYES to try to sleep...and we PAN AWAY from Maddie to...

THE WINE GLASS

75

...almost empty...lipstick marks around the rim...a lonely, depressing momento of a lonely, depressing night...we HOLD ON the wine glass for a moment...then...

[This is a DREAM SEQUENCE in the form of an IMPRESSIONISTIC DANCE PRODUCTION NUMBER similiar to the "BROADWAY MELODY" number from "SINGING' IN THE RAIN." The music for this number will be Billy Joel's "Big Man on Mulberry Street." Sets will be surrealistic and only minimally representative.]

75A

The dance is in three parts. PART ONE takes place in a dark, smokefilled subterranean CAFE/BAR in Greenwich Village...populated by typical 60's PATRONS...there's a BAND in the corner, made up of a piano, horns, drums, etc. In the midst of all this we see DAVID as the bartender/waiter...he is serving drinks in an aloof manner...just doing his job; whatever is going on is no concern to him...UNTIL...into the bar comes a devastating WOMAN... Every man in the place is instantly smitten...they dance around her, vying for her affection...David remains on the outside, but he's definitely interested...David's aloofness attracts the woman, and she chooses him over all the other men...she teaches him a step and they dance together...leaving the bar for a sort of astral LIMBO-LAND...where PART TWO of the dance takes place...Here we see David and the woman continue to dance very sensually...we see them fall in love... and then...we see their WEDDING CEREMONY...and PART THREE of the dance takes place in something representing their HOUSE... There seems to be a permanence to their relationship...David falls into a routine: he goes to work, he comes home and she's there...David seems quite content with this arrangement...UNTIL...one day he comes home from work and is stunned to find his wife with ANOTHER MAN...She is teaching this man the same dance steps she taught David earlier...only now the dance is much more complicated...this guy's a better dancer... As they dance, it seems very obvious that they belong together...and they dance away together... leaving David alone and devastated...complelely forlorn...not knowing what to do with himself...UNTIL...All of a sudden...MADDIE appears... She's come to rescue him...at first he's reluctant, but she teaches him a dance step...and they dance together...simply, but in perfect harmony...and it seems very obvious that they belong together...David seems to have recovered...maybe he's even smitten again...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

OMIT 76-116

OMIT 76-116

MADDIE

117

...BOLTING UP in bed, having just awakened from her dream... in the DIM LIGHT of early morning...we see that it has had quite an impact on her...she takes a MOMENT to recover...then, almost without thinking, she REACHES for the phone and DIALS a number...WAITS for someone to answer...

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MADDIE

Yes...what time does the next flight leave for New York?

*

...and we...

OMIT 118-128

OMIT 118-128 *

CUT TO BLACK

ACT THREE

FADE IN:

ON BILL

129A

...early thirties...a refugee from the bar band circuit... his head PROPPED on one hand...and with the other he's trying to make a salt shaker sit at an angle on a pile of salt...and he tries once...and the shaker TUMBLES... and picking it up...he tries again...and its clear from the expression on his face and the glaze in his eyes that he is several beers into the night...

ON DAVID

129B

...head also on hand...also several beers into the night... watching this...clearly bored silly...

DAVID

Bill...

(and then)

Billy...?

ANOTHER ANGLE

129C

...as Bill goes on about his business...never having heard David...ANOTHER MAN...better dressed...Michael...also looking on...

ON DAVID

129CA

...giving it one more try...

DAVID

Fish! What are you trying to prove?

ANOTHER ANGLE

129CB

... as Bill...or Fish... finally stands the thing on an angle...

BILL

Ta-da!

...and behind them...another friend...RICK returns from the bar carrying a pitcher of beer...and it's clear from the size of Rick...that he is no stranger to beer...

RICK

You guys aware they'll only give you one pitcher at a time? We're having my wake someplace else.

129CB

... and he SLAMS the pitcher down on the table and...

THE SALT SHAKER

129CC

...immediately tumbles off the salt...

ON BILL

129CD

... as he looks up at Rick...

BTT.T.

(he means it)
You're gonna die!

ON RICK

129CE

...unimpressed...

RICK

Fine. You owe me eleven dollars so far tonight.

ON MICHAEL

129CF

... regarding this with only mild interest... turning to David...lighting a cigarette...

MICHAEL

...anyway...he'd get real
depressed. About anything.
About everything. He'd call
me at four-thirty in the morning...
crying about some movie he'd
just seen on TV or some story
he'd just read in the paper.

(and then)
T half think he saw the same

I half think he saw the car coming and just decided not to get out of the way.

ON DAVID

129CG

...and there is nothing to say to his friend...and he looks at him...

OM MICHAEL

129CH

...and he looks back...deadly serious...

MICHAEL

What the hell happened to your hair?

ON THE TABLE

129CJ

... as SUDDENLY it explodes into laughter...

ON BILL

129CK

...and he starts to laugh...

BILL

Yeah. What the hell happened to your hair, T.C.?

ON DAVID

129CL

...remembering...shaking his head...

DAVID

T.C...

ON RICK

129CM

...picking up the cue...doing the instrumental introduction... and then...

RICK

"Top Cat...
The most effecutal...
Top Cat...

ON THE OTHERS

129CN

...as they join in...

ALL

"Who's intellectual...
Close friends get get to call him T.C....
Providing it's with dignity...
Top Cat...
The indisputable...
Leader of the gang...
He's the boss...
He's the VIP...
He's the Championship...
He's the most tip top...

ON DAVID

129CP

...doing a wicked drum solo on the table...

ON THE OTHERS

129CR

...and clearly they know this routine well...for they wait until just the right moment for the big finale...

129CR

ALL

"Top Cat!!!!"

...and they all LAUGH...and SLUG down beers...

ANOTHER ANGLE

129CS

...and SLOWLY the LAUGHTER DIES...and everyone sits there for a LONG MOMENT...until finally...

MICHAEL

(to Rick)

He ever do that to you? Call you in the middle of the night... crying?

RICK

Yeah.

(and then)

But I hung up on him.

ON DAVID

129CT

...pushing his chair out from the table...

Where you going?

DAVID

Why? You wanna watch? (and then)

I'll be back.

...and with that he TURNS...

ANOTHER ANGLE

129CU

... as the others watch him go...

ON MICHAEL

129CV

...the second he's out of earshot...

MICHAEL

What the hell you think happened

to his hair?

...and we...

CUT TO:

DAVID

129D

...in an ALCOVE at the rear of the restaurant...DEPOSITING coins into a pay phone...and we HEAR it RING...and then we HEAR...

ANSWERING MACHINE
Hi, this is Maddie Hayes. I'm
not here right now. But please
leave your name and number at
the sound of the beep and I'll
get right back to you.

...and we HEAR the BEEP...and David HESITATES a moment...and then...

DAVID

Hi it's me...

(and then)

...got here okay...

(and then)

...everything's going fine...

(and then)

...funeral's tomorrow...

be back late Thursday and in

the office Friday...so...

(not wanting

to hang up)

...if you need anything... call me at the hotel...

...he FACES the wall...trying to get a little more privacy... there's a noticable change in his tone...

DAVID (cont'd)

(and then)

Where the hell are you this

hour of the night?

...and he QUICKLY HANGS UP...and SIGHS...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

OMIT 130

OMIT 130

OMIT 130A

OMIT 130A

DAVID

130B

...WALKING SLOWLY down a HOTEL CORRIDOR towards his hotel room...jacket over shoulder...tired and depressed...he FINDS his room key in the pocket of his jacket...UNLOCKS the door and OPENS it...and STOPS IN HIS TRACKS as he SEES...

MADDIE

130C

...or at least the silhouette of Maddie...a triangle of light from the open door painted across her in the otherwise dark room...SITTING on the edge of the bed...a suitcase on the floor beside her...nervously FUMBLING with the jacket that is lying across her lap...she LOOKS UP at David for a brief second...then quickly LOOKS AWAY...

MADDIE

(nervously)
Don't look at me like that.
I paid a guy twenty bucks to get into this room...

...but...

OMIT 130D-130E

OMIT 130D-130E

DAVID

130F

...just STARES at her...not responding to her joke...and... *

MADDIE

130G

...still can't bring herself to look at him...the SILENCE * eating at her...and finally... *

MADDIE

(quickly;
trying not
to let her
feelings show;
all nerves)

I know...you're wondering what
I'm doing here...

(and then)

I'm not really sure myself.
In fact...somewhere over
Arizona I realized "I don't
want to be on this plane?!"...
but then there was nothing I
could do and so here I am and
the only explanation I have
is I guess I thought I could
(MORE)

| 경험적인 그렇게 하는 말으로 되었다. | 1300 |
|---|--|
| MADDIE (cont'd) | |
| help you | |
| (and then) | |
| I don't know why I thought | 보이 열심지 그는 일이 하는 |
| that but I did. But don't | |
| worry. I can leave. I | |
| already checked. There's | * |
| a flight back to L.A. in an | |
| hour. In fact if I catch | |
| a cab now I know I could | |
| make it. Except I'm really | |
| exhausted and I'd kind of like to get some rest. Only, if | |
| I stayed I thought I'd like | |
| to be sort ofnearby | |
| but I already asked about | |
| the room next door and the | |
| gur at the desk wouldn't | |
| give it to me unless you | |
| said it was okay so I guess | and the second of the second o |
| you'd have to go tell him | |
| it's okay | |
| (and then) | |
| unless it isn't okay | |
| (quickly) I sound like an ass. | * |
| (and then; | |
| lowering | |
| her head) | * |
| I feel like an ass | and the second s |
| (and then; | |
| quickly; | * |
| trying to | |
| regain her | |
| composure) | |
| I know this isn't making | |
| much sense | |
| (and then) | |
| What I'm trying to say is | |
| I'm really sorry about your friendI mean, your brother- | |
| in-lawand if I seemed a | |
| little | |
| (a shrug; | and the state of |
| searching | 보유한 생기하는 100 늦었다 |
| for the word) | |
| frostywhen you told me | |
| it's just because I was so | |
| surprisedthat you'd been | |
| marriedwhich is stupid, | |
| right? I meanwhy should | |
| (MORE) | |

| 그는 동안에 하고만 어느라 하는 이를 하면 되고 있었다. 그 내가 된 사람들은 그 그리고 한 나를 모르는 | |
|--|------|
| | 130G |
| MADDIE (cont'd) | |
| I think that you would have | * |
| told me if you were married. | * |
| I meanI understand that | * |
| there are things that we're | * |
| going to talk aboutthere | * |
| should be thingspieces | * |
| pockets of our lives that are | |
| private | |
| (and then) | * |
| I mean, I certainly have | |
| plenty of things I've never | |
| told you | |
| (finally | * |
| looking up) | * |
| I meanit's not like we | * |
| have that kind of relationship | |
| it's not like we're | |
| | |
| and there is a LONG SILENCE as her words trail offand | * |
| she LOOKS down again for a LONG MOMENTand then | * |
| | |
| MADDIE | |
| (suddenly | |
| rising) | |
| You knowI just realized | |
| what I should do and what | |
| I should dois go catch | |
| that planeso that's what | |
| I'm going to do | |
| | |
| and she PICKS UP her luggageand STARTS towards the | * |
| doorand just as she PASSES | * |
| | |
| DAVID | 130H |
| 그렇게 되는 네트님 어떻게 하는 하는데 그를 되지 않는 그리다는 것이다. 그는 이 차를 다 되었다. | |
| he GRABS her armSTOPPING her | |
| 하는 사람이 하다는 것이 있었다고 있으로 불통하는 것 같습니다. 나는 그로 모양이 되는 사람이 있다. | |
| The control of the co | |
| (simply) | |
| Don't go. | |
| | |
| and she LOOKS at himshe's not quite sure what that | |
| means | |
| | |
| DAVID | |
| I'll tell the guy at the desk | |
| you're my sister | |
| (and then) | * |
| my brother | * |
| (and then) | * |
| my mother | * |
| (MORE) | |
| | |

130H

DAVID (cont'd)
I'll get you the room next
door.

...and Maddie says NOTHING...and David gives her a small smile, which she nervously forces herself to return...sitting HERSELF back down on the bed...as he TURNS...and is gone...

OMIT 130J

OMIT 130J

ON MADDIE

130K

...sitting there...nervous...not at all sure she's done the right thing...and we...

SLOWLY DISSOLVE TO:

OMIT 131-164

OMIT 131-164

MADDIE'S FACE

165*

...STARING at the ceiling...her head lying on a pillow...her eyes open...and SUDDENLY...from SOMEWHERE UNSEEN...there is A KNOCK...and then...

DAVID (filtered; through

the door)

You awake?

...and Maddie thinks about that a moment...deciding whether to answer...

MADDIE

(finally)

I'm awake.

ANOTHER ANGLE

165A*

... as the connecting door between their two rooms opens...

ON MADDIE

165B*

...turning over slightly to SEE...

DAVID

166

...STANDING in the doorway...the only light from his room behind him...

DAVID

(quietly;

clearly awed)
...You came all the way here...

(and then)

...all the way here...

(and then;

shaking his

head)

Why'd you do that?

MADDIE

I don't know. There was

nothing good on T.V.

(and then;

simply)

I don't know.

DAVID

... That was a really lousy thing I did...wasn't it?...

telling you I was married and then just hopping on a

plane...

(and then)

I knew what I was doing.

I knew it stunk. I just didn't feel like talking

about it...y'know?

(and then)

It really wasn't very

important. She really wasn't

very important.

MADDIE

(quietly;

carefully)

What was she like? What

happened?

DAVID

What was she like? She

was willing. What happened?

She drowned in bed.

TIGHT ON DAVID

166A

...remembering...thinking better of it...

166

DAVID (cont'd) closing this woman comes in... I mean, a lot of women came into this place, I usually didn't pay much attention... but this woman comes in and sits down on one of the bar stools and...

(MORE)

166A

DAVID

No...I used to meet her everyday walking to school. And one day it's raining, right? And the last place either of us want to go is school...so instead...we go back to her house. And like I said...we had walked all the way home in the rain... so our clothes were wet...so we...took 'em off...and then of course...

... he SMILES... SHAKES his HEAD... and LAUGHS to HIMSELF...

DAVID

Y'know it's funny. For the life of me...I can't really remember anything else about that day. I remember... the second we started...it felt so...safe. And at the same time... I was scared. God... I was scared. I mean...my mind was going crazy. mean...half my mind is going... "do you want to work in a filling station for the rest of your life?" That's what you always heard about. guy getting a girl knocked up and then working at the Sunoco for the rest of his life...right? Yeah. Right. But the other side...the other side of my brain is going..."fill 'er up!"

ON MADDIE

...and she watches him from her bed...and SMILES...

ANOTHER ANGLE

... as he stands in the doorway... and SMILES too...

DAVID

Yeah...well...the second it was over...everything got weird. I just kinda got dressed and left. It was still (MORE)

168

DAVID (cont'd)
raining. And I had no place
to go. So I just walked...and
the whole time...in my head...
I'm talking to God...right?
I'm saying...I swear, I'll
never do it again. Just...
don't make her pregnant. And
all I can think about is me...
in this blue Sunoco uniform
with my name stitched across
my tit.

(and then)

Anyway...God had other things on His mind...so...we got married. And...the baby never made it.

(and then)

Anyway...she wanted to act. So we moved to New York. Early seventies. Crazy time. We had this place. Thirteenth street. I'm tending bar. She's going to class. One day I come home and find the damned census taker lying on top of her...getting all kind of pertinent information isn't even on the form.

ON MADDIE

169

...just watching...saying nothing...not knowing what to say...

ON DAVID

170

... standing in his own silence for the longest time...

DAVID

(almost a whisper)
See...I told you it wasn't
important.

MADDIE

I'm sorry.

DAVID

(a shrug)

Long time ago.

MADDIE

Long time ago.

ANOTHER ANGLE 170A

...and the two of them look at each other...and Maddie says nothing...and David TURNS...gone...SHUTTING the door behind him...Maddie lying there in the dark...STARING at the door... and we...

CUT TO BLACK

OMIT 171-173

OMIT 171-173

END OF ACT THREE

ACT FOUR

OMIT 174 FADE IN:

OMIT 174

INT. DAVID'S HOTEL ROOM - DAY

174A

CLOSE ON TOP OF DRESSER

...we immediately know this is David's dresser by the small array of male items...wallet, wristwatch, comb, handkerchief, loose change, hotel room key...and then we see...

A HAND

174B

...PICK UP the wristwatch and SLIP it on the other wrist with a bit of nervous FUMBLING... then the hand PICKS UP the wallet and as it is lifted towards a suit jacket we see...

DAVID

174C

...dressed for the funeral...looking nervous...EXAMINING himself in the mirror...he's in the final stages of getting ready...he SLIPS the wallet into his jacket pocket...then REACHES for the other articles on the dresser...through all of this, he looks very nervous...

SHOCK CUT TO:

ANOTHER DRESSER

174D

...this one littered with feminine belongings...a purse... bottle of perfume...hairbrush...lipstick...a string of pearls... hotel room key...and then we see...

HANDS

174E

...nervous female hands...STUFFING the loose articles into the purse...and then they PICK UP the pearls and we FOLLOW them to find...

MADDIE

174F

...also dressed for the funeral...she FUMBLES nervously with the clasp of the pearls until she finally has them fastened around the neck of her black dress...she looks almost as nervous as David...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

DAVID

174G

...who gives himself one last once-over in the mirror...SIGHS... resigned to the fact that the time has come to do something he dreads...he LOOKS at the door to Maddie's room...GOES OVER and KNOCKS on it...

174G

DAVID

Maddie, you up? I gotta go.

MADDIE (V.O.)

Just a second...

... David LOOKS around the room, as if to see if he's forgotten anything...he SEES his overcoat lying across a chair and goes over to get it...he THROWS it across his arm...in the moment that his back is turned, the door OPENS and Maddie ENTERS...ready to go...

MADDIE

Good morning.

...David TURNS...SEES. her...and FREEZES...can't speak...

MADDIE

(trying again)

Hello.

ON DAVID

174GA*

...just looking at her...NO WORDS...

ANOTHER ANGLE

174GB*

...his look not lost on Maddie...

MADDIE

Why are you looking at me

like that?

DAVID

(thinking about that

a moment)

No reason.

MADDIE

No reason?

DAVID

Well..

(carfully)

... you're wearing black.

ON MADDIE

174GC*

...moving towards him...

174GC

MADDIE

I know.

(and then)

We're going to a funeral.

(and then)

I used to wear hot pink to funerals but I always felt guilty about waking up the dead.

(and then)

Is there some subtlety to this conversation that I'm missing?

ON DAVID

174GD

... and he still says nothing... waiting for the dawn to come...

ON MADDIE

174GE

...and it does...

MADDIE

(slowly;
as the thought
occurs to her)
Did you not want me to go
with you to this funeral?

ON DAVID

174GF

...STARTING TO SAY something...but NOTHING COMING OUT...but it's already clear...he doesn't want her to be there...

ANOTHER ANGLE

174GG

...as Maddie understands...

MADDIE

Of course.

(and then;

seating herself;

looking away)

Of course you didn't.

DAVID

It's nothing personal. It's just... I haven't see any of these people in a long time.

(and then)

You understand.

ON MADDIE

174GH

...not looking at him...

MADDIE

(crossing her arms)

I understand.

ON DAVID

174GJ

... the meaning of this not lost on him...

DAVID

No you don't.

ANOTHER ANGLE

174GK

... as Maddie continues to not look at him...

MADDIE

(crossing her legs)

Yes I do.

DAVID

No...you don't.

MADDIE

Yes...I do.

DAVID

Fine.

MADDIE

Fine.

DAVID

Good.

MADDIE

Good.

DAVID

I'm going.

MADDIE

Go!

ON DAVID

174GL

...and he does...TURNING...making his way across the room and through the door...slamming it closed behind him...

ON MADDIE

174GM

... sitting there for the LONGEST TIME... and then... SLOWLY... allowing her EYES to drift over to...

THE DOOR

174GN

...and it doesn't move...

ON MADDIE

174GP

...slowly pulling herself out of her chair...and at that exact moment...

THE DOOR

174GR

...OPENS...and...

MADDIE

174GS

...jumps back down in her chair just as...

DAVID

174GT

... comes through the door ...

DAVID

(pointing at her)

You're mad.

MADDIE

(crossing everything

again)

I thought you were going.

DAVID

You are mad. You're mad at me because I won't take you to this funeral.

MADDIE

No, I'm not. What makes you think I'm mad?

DAVID

The way you're sitting there.

The way you won't look at me... (taking her

face;

turning it)

Look at me!

174GT

MADDIE (through clenched teeth)

I am not mad.

DAVID

(releasing her)
I don't believe this.
(throwing his overcoat on the bed)

We're in New York City. You're a five-dollar cab ride away from a hundred and fifty department stores, not to mention museums... theatres...restaurants...and you're mad at me because I won't take you to a <u>funeral!</u>

MADDIE

I was looking forward to this funeral!

DAVID

(turning to her)

It's not that I don't want to take you. It's just...

(thinking about it)

... I don't want to take you.

(and then)

Not to this funeral!

ON MADDIE

174GU

...and she just looks at him...

ON DAVID

174GV

...he knows what that look means...

DAVID

Look, I'll take you to another funeral.

...and he picks up a section of the NEW YORK TIMES from the bed and OPENS it...

DAVID

Here, pick any other funeral and I'll take you to it!
(MORE)

174GV

DAVID (cont'd)

(and then;

seeing one)

Here's one. Sounds like fun. Open casket...short eulogy... followed by dinner, dancing

and a no-host bar...

(and then; STOPPING; catching his

breath)

Maddie...getting me to this thing is going to be the hardest thing I've ever done. Taking you? I just can't do it.

ANOTHER ANGLE

174GW

...and the two of them stand there...and there is a LONG, LONG silence...finally broken by...

MADDIE

(trying to

sound casual)

When do you think you'll be back?

DAVID

I don't know. Funeral's at noon. Then there'll probably be something afterwards at somebody's house...I don't know.

MADDIE

Well, don't worry about it. Stay as long as you want. I'll be fine.

DAVID

Will you?

...and Maddie NODS...a SILENT nod...

ON DAVID

174GX

... as he waits a measured moment... then STARTS for the door...

MADDIE (O.C.)

(suddenly)

What time do you think?

174GX

DAVID

(stopping;
turning)

I don't know.

(a shrug)

Five o'clock maybe.

ANOTHER ANGLE

174GY

...as she TURNS and looks at him...

MADDIE

Five?

(and then)

Great.

(and then)

I can find plenty of things to do until five.

DAVID

Might be later.

MADDIE

Fine.

(a shrug of her own)

Whenever.

...and David TURNS...and STARTS OUT again...and the door SLAMS... and we HOLD on Maddie A LONG MOMENT...and then...

DISSOLVE TO:

A DIGITAL CLOCK

174H

... just as 4:59 flips to 5:00...and we PULL BACK TO REVEAL...

MADDIE

174J

...SITTING in a chair...arms folded...STARING at the clock... still dressed in her funeral clothes...WAITING...and then there's a KNOCK on the door...Maddie JUMPS UP and RUNS for it...then catches herself...slows down...tries to look casual ...she OPENS the door and there stands...

A BELLHOP

174K

...his arms full of stuff (at this point we don't know what)
...he looks winded...

BELLHOP

Did I make it?

ANOTHER ANGLE

174L

... to include both of them...

MADDIE

Excuse me?

MADDIE

174HE

...is instantly deflated...she SIGHS...and we...

DISSOLVE TO:

A ROOM SERVICE TABLE

174HF

...complete with candelight and flowers...beautiful china and crystal, linen tablecloth...all very elaborate and romantic...we SLOWLY PAN the table and find...

A DINNER PLATE

174HG

...beautifully adorned by a colorful nouvelle cuisine dinner... a fork slides a couple of snow peas around...disinterested... and we TILT UP to see...

MADDIE

174HH

...STARING at the plate...DEPRESSED...LONELY...she finally SPEARS a snow pea...starts to LIFT it to her mouth...STOPS...LOOKS at it...REALIZES she has no interest in food...PUTS the fork down, giving up on dinner...she LEANS OVER and BLOWS OUT the candle...

DISSOLVE TO:

MADDIE

174HJ

...SITTING on the bed...several pillows propped behind her... she has shed her shoes and jewelry...other than that she's still dressed in her funeral clothes...she's FLIPPING television channels aimlessly with a remote control...she gives up...SHUTS OFF the television...GETS UP and GOES OVER to the window...PULLS the curtain back and LOOKS OUT...and we see...

MADDIE'S POV -- THE MANHATTAN SKYLINE

174HK

...and a clock on a nearby building FLASHES 9:27...and...

MADDIE

174J

...lets the curtain fall back into place...she SINKS into a chair...PROPS her head on her hand...WEARY...WORRIED... and then...there's a KNOCK on the door...Maddie JUMPS UP and RUNS for it...then catches herself...slows down...tries to look casual...she OPENS the door and her enthusiasm is gone as she sees...

A BELLHOP

174K

...a shopping bag in his arms...he is winded...

174L

BELLHOP

You said you needed this stuff by five.

MADDIE

Oh. Yes. Come in.

...he FOLLOWS her inside...she GOES to her purse to get some money to tip him...

MADDIE

You can just put it on the bed.

BELLHOP

I got everything you wanted. Po tcards, museum brochures, a poster from that Monet exhibit...

MADDIE

That's fine. Thank you.

BELLHOP

(holding

them up)

Shopping bags -- Saks and Bloomingdale's okay?

MADDIE

(wishing

he'd leave)

Yes. Thank you.

BELLHOP

... Playbill from "Cats"...

(holding

it up)

I got a large sweatshirt because they're a hundred percent cotton...

MADDIE

I'm sure it'll be perfect.

(handing him

a ten)

Thank you very much.

BELLHOP

(taking the

money)

Thank you. Let me know if you need anything else.

174L

BELLHOP
(holding up a
"Cats" sweatshirt;
concerned)
You didn't say what size
sweatshirt...I got a "large"
because they're a hundred
percent cotton...

174L

MADDIE
(herding him
out the door)
I will...Bye now.

...she CLOSES the door behind him...then HURRIES over to the bed and SPREADS all of her newly acquired articles around...she CRUMPLES up the shopping bags so they won't look so new..."PLACES" everything so that it looks natural... STANDS back and STUDIES it...decides it looks okay...then GOES back to her chair to SIT and WAIT some more...

OMIT 175
DIGITAL CLOCK

DISSOLVE TO: OMIT 175

175A

...just as 8:59 becomes 9:00...and we SLOWLY PAN over an elaborate room service table...complete with candlelight and flowers...we see a fork poking at an uneaten dinner... and then we see...

MADDIE

175B

...ignoring her food...still STARING at the clock...she looks very concerned...wondering where David could be...she PUSHES her chair away from the table, completely uninterested in dinner ...she PACES the floor...thinking...worrying...and we...

DISSOLVE TO:

DIGITAL CLOCK

175C

...just at 10:59 becomes 11:00...and we SLOWLY PAN to see...

A NEWSPAPER

175D

...lying beside the clock and the telephone...opened to a page where we see a black headline, "Obituaries"... there is a large circle around one of the articles...and then we see...

MADDIE

175E

...looking for a number in the thick New York phone book... she finds it...looks at the phone...SIGHS...the picks up the receiver and dials the number...we HEAR it ring...and then we HEAR...

WOMAN'S VOICE

Hello?

175E

...and we HEAR a lot of COMMOTION in the background...the SOUND of some sort of gathering...and Maddie starts to say something...then HESITATES...

WOMAN'S VOICE Hello? Is anybody there?

...and Maddie loses her nerve and quickly HANGS UP the phone...she TOSSES the phone book on to the bed...LOOKS at the clock again...frowns...she thinks for A MOMENT... then...she makes a decision...she PICKS UP the newspaper... HEADS for the door, stopping to GRAB her coat from the closet...and then she's out the door...

SHOCK CUT TO:

OMIT 176-176A

OMIT 176-176A

A SMALL ARRANGEMENT OF WHITE FLOWERS

176B

...on the door of a brownstone apartment...covering the number but obviously placed to signify a death in the family...and... into the frame comes...

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A HAND

176BA *

...it KNOCKS timidly...and we PULL BACK TO REVEAL...

MADDIE

176C *

...WAITING NERVOUSLY...and then the door OPENS and we see...

AN ELDERLY WOMAN

176D

...Jimmy's Aunt Rosemary...plump, friendly and Italian... dressed in black...behind her we see a sea of black suits and dresses...the woman gives Maddie a small, sad SMILE...

AUNT ROSEMARY

Hello.

...and Maddie suddenly realizes she doesn't know what to say...

MADDIE

(quietly)

Hi. I don't want to bother anyone. I just wanted to... pay my respects...

176D

AUNT ROSEMARY

Please, come in.

... Maddie does...

INT. TESS' APARTMENT

177

...Maddie LOOKS around...hoping to spot David...he's nowhere in sight...

AUNT ROSEMARY
I'm Jimmy's Aunt Rosemary...

MADDIE

Nice to meet you. I'm Maddie Haves.

(looking around)

Boy there are a lot of people here.

AUNT ROSEMARY
Can I help you find someone?

MADDIE

No. Thank you. I'll just... mingle...

AUNT ROSEMARY Are you a friend of Jimmy's?

MADDIE

I was...A long time ago...
He probably wouldn't remember
me...if he could, I mean...

...and then they are approached by ...

ANOTHER ELDERLY WOMAN

177A

...who looks extremely distraught and confused...

177A

AUNT ROSEMARY
(to Maddie)
This is Jimmy's Aunt Emily.
(to the
woman)
This is an old friend of Jimmy's.

...at which the old woman immediately begins to SOB and THROWS her arms around Maddie...Maddie doesn't know what to do...she gently PATS the woman on the back...

MADDIE
(winging it)
There, there...I'm sure he's
in a better place...he was
such a wonderful person...

AUNT EMILY (trying to stop crying) How...did you...know Jimmy?

MADDIE
I met him a long time ago...
when he was out in Los Angeles...

AUNT ROSEMARY (confused)
Jimmy never went to Los Angeles...

MADDIE
Los Angeles, New York...it's
a very small town up north...
and his band was playing at
the Ramada...I was a cocktail
waitress...

AUNT ROSEMARY (unimpressed)

I see.

MADDIE
(quickly)
No, it's not like that!
(and then;
resigning)
I'm sorry, Mrs...Aunt Rosemary
...the truth is...I never knew
Jimmy...

...the two women look at her, puzzled...

AUNT ROSEMARY

You didn't?

177A

MADDIE

I knew of him...from...someone else...his sister...

AUNT ROSEMARY

You know Tess?

MADDIE

I did. A long time ago.

AUNT ROSEMARY Well, why didn't you say so? I'll find her for you.

MADDIE

No. that's okay...you don't ha a to bother her...

...but Aunt Rosemary is gone...

MADDIE (cont'd)

Oh, no...

(and then; to Aunt Emily)

I'm sorry, I didn't realize it was so late, I really have to run...I had a lovely time...thank you...

... Aunt Emily LOOKS at her, puzzled... and Maddie TURNS to head for the door... but then she HEARS a voice behind her...

TESS

Excuse me?

...and Maddie sheepishly TURNS around to see...

TESS

177B

...who is looking at Maddie, trying to remember her...Tess is very attractive, in a dark and sensual way...something about her -- her hair, the way she's dressed -- suggests a sense of freedom -- a person who is at peace with who she is...and...

MADDIE

177C

...is a nervous wreck...

ANOTHER ANGLE

177D

... to include both of them...and Aunt Rosemary, who has Tess by the arm...

TESS (to Maddie)

Were you looking for me?

AUNT ROSEMARY
Yes, she was. Do you remember
her, your old friend...
(to Maddie)
What did you say your name was?

MADDIE
Maddie. Maddie Hayes. I'm
sure you don't remember. It
wa: so long ago.

TESS
I'm sorry. I don't remember...
when exactly did we know each
other?

MADDIE
It was...when you lived in the village...when you were married to David.

TESS
(surprised)
Really? That's funny. I
remember those two years
vividly...How did we know
each other?

MADDIE (tired of faking it) We didn't.

TESS I don't understand.

I know. I'm sorry.
(and then)
Is there someplace we could talk privately?

(politely)
Of course.
(and then)
Excuse us for a moment. A

TESS

Excuse us for a moment, Aunt Rosemary.

177D

...Aunt Rosemary nods...Tess LOOKS around...MOTIONS for Maddie to follow her...they make their way through the crowd...around a corner...Tess LOOKS into a bedroom...

ANGLE - TESS' POV

177E

...the room...packed with people...and

ANGLE TESS

177F

...LOOKS at Maddie...

TESS

Not a great night for privacy.

SHOCK CUT TO:

EXT. FIRE ESCAPE - NIGHT

177G

...as a door OPENS and Maddie STEPS OUT on to the fire escape ...followed by Tess, who has put on a coat...

TESS

(being a
sport)

It's a little chilly, but it's private and you can't beat the view...

...the view is the brick wall of the neighboring building...
Tess LOOKS at Maddie...WAITS for an explanation...

MADDIE

I'm sorry, this is very awkward...we don't know each other. We've never met. I'm a friend of David's.

TESS

David Addison?

(off Maddie's

nod)

Do you know where he is?

MADDIE

(puzzled)

No. I thought maybe he was here...

TESS

He hasn't been here. He wasn't at the funeral, either. No one's seen him all day.

177G

MADDIE

That's odd. When he left the hotel this morning he said he was going to the funeral and then here and he'd be back by five. I got worried, so I came looking for him...

TESS

Don't worry. I'm sure he's okay. You know David. I mean, I assume you do...

MADDIE

Yeah. I assume that, too.

TESS

(smiles with recognition)

He probably just decided he wasn't in the mood for a funeral today.

(and then)

It's too bad. I'd really wanted to talk to him.

MADDIE

(a bit

surprised)

You did?

TESS

I'vé been wanting to talk to him for nine years. I've called, I've written...he never answers...I thought I had him cornered this time...

MADDIE

I guess he just couldn't face you. He's still very upset about...what happened.

TESS

(surprised)

He told you about it?

(and then)

Well...I guess that's his right...

(MORE)

177G

TESS (cont'd)

(shakes her head)

I never wanted it to turn out like this...with us not speaking... I never wanted to hurt David...

MADDIE

Well...you did.

TESS

I know. Believe me, I have no illusions about who was to blame.

(and then)

I knew all along that it was wi ng. When David asked me to marry him, my mouth said "yes," but my mind said "Are You don't want to you crazy? do this." But...I don't know ... I knew I had six months to get out of it, so it didn't seem like it was real... I could worry about it later...but time went on and soon the church was booked and the flowers were ordered and our apartment was full of wedding presents...it was like being caught in an avalanche...I didn't know how to stop it...before I knew it the ceremony was over, all of our friends were hugging us and congratulating us, and it was all I could do to keep smiling ...because I knew right then it should never have happened, it was a mistake...I almost told David right there...while we could still have it annulled ...but I looked at him...and he looked so happy...so...we stayed together for a couple of years... I kept telling myself maybe it would work...but I knew...

(she looks at Maddie)

...I just wish he could put it behind him...I'd feel so much better...if we could be friends ...or if he could even stand to be in the same room with me.

177G

MADDIE

I'm sure it's not that. I'm sure a lot of it is that David doesn't want to be in the same room with your...that guy.

... Tess LOOKS at her...puzzled...

TESS

What guy?

MADDIE

David told me that you broke up because he walked in on you and another man.

(and then)

Is 't that what happened?

TESS

Well...not exactly...

(and then)

He did walk in on me and
someone else...but it wasn't

another man.

ON MADDIE 177H

... as the full impact of what Tess has said hits her... and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

MANHATTAN SKYLINE - NIGHT

177J

177K

...from someplace very high...and then we see...

그 그 그 그는 사람들은 경기를 가는 사람들은 사람들이 되었다.

...LEANING against the rail on top of the World Trade Center...
STARING out at the city...lost in thought...and then...we HEAR...

SECURITY GUARD (O.S.)

Hey, you!

...and...

DAVID

A SECURITY GUARD

177L

...middle-aged...bored...has seen it all and just wants to go home...APPROACHES from behind David...

177H

MADDIE

I'm sorry...I don't understand.

TESS

Well...Honest Abe left out a minor detail. Yeah...he walked in on me and someone else...

(and then)

...but it wasn't another man.

...and Maddie LOOKS at her, the full meaning beginning to sink in...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

INT. TAXI CAB - NIGHT

177HA

...parked on the Promenade in Brooklyn Heights...from the windows we see a VIEW of the lower MANHATTAN SKYLINE across the river...David is sprawled comfortably in the back seat... head propped against the door...his rolled up suit jacket serving as a pillow, his overcoat as a blanket...a bottle of wine in his hand...from which he takes an occasional slug... a bored CAB DRIVER listening to David as the meter clicks away...

DAVID

...then sophomore year there was that incident with my chemistry teacher, Mrs. Doherty ...I'll spare you the details, but it involved a suggestion I made concerning her anatomy and the business end of a bunson burner...

...and David takes another slug of wine and notices...

THE DRIVER

177HB

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...stealing a GLANCE at...

THE METER

177HC

... where a three digit figure continues to rise...

ON DAVID

177HD

...a small smile...

177HD

DAVID

Don't worry about the meter, I'm good for it. This is New York...how long could it take me to hock a slightly used Rolex?

ANOTHER ANGLE

177HE

... as the driver looks at David... giving him a tentative nod...

DAVID

Okay, so I'm playing hooky from my brother-in-law's funeral. I didn't plan it. (and then)

I don't think I did anyway.

(shaking his head)

I mean...it's not that I don't want to see her...it's just that I know Tess...she'd want to talk about what happened...she'd want to analyze it...she'd want me to tell her I'm okay with it...and I am okay with it... (and then)

...as long as I don't have to think about it.

...and...

DAVID

177HF

...TURNS...LOOKING out the window...lost in his own thoughts... talking mostly to himself...

DAVID

...And there's this other, woman...back at the hotel... I don't know what's going through her head. She flew all the way out here...so there must be something...

(and then; a little

defensive)

Okay...so I didn't exactly tell her the whole truth... I told her the most important parts...

(MORE)

177HF

CONTINUED:

DAVID (cont'd)

(and then)

...let's face it, a person in bed with your wife is a person in bed with your wife. Gender is not the main issue.

(and then; a final

explanation)

I mean...I don't know why... but I couldn't go to work every day and have her look at me, knowing...what she'd know.

(and then)

If that makes me a jerk, I guess I'm a jerk.

DRIVER
Izvenítye ya ne imyéye, ni
maléyshevo predstavlénie, o
chyom vy govorítye.

DAVID

(after a moment)
Yeah...well...everyone's
entitled to an opinion.

...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

OMIT 117J-117L

OMIT 117J-177L

INT. HOTEL CORRIDOR

117M

...as David makes his way towards his room...careful not to make a sound as he passes Maddie's door...he quietly PUTS his key into his lock...quietly OPENS the door...

INT. DAVID'S HOTEL ROOM

177N

...as David ENTERS...PUTS the key on the dresser...SHEDS his overcoat...and his already untied tie...and his suit jacket...all the time STARING at Maddie's door...wondering if he should let her know he's back, but dreading the scene... he finally GOES over to the door...TAPS very lightly...there is no answer...he SLOWLY OPENS the door a crack...PEEKS in... and SEES...

MADDIE

177P

...in bed...fast asleep...and...

DAVID

177R

...CLOSES the door quietly...very pleased with himself...and we...

SHOCK CUT TO:

MADDIE'S FACE

178

...STARING into space...lost in thought...the steady WHIR of jet engines tell us she's on a plane...and then we HEAR...

DAVID

She was there with that guy...

ANOTHER ANGLE

179

...to include David...sitting beside her...Maddie covered by an airline blanket...and she turns and LOOKS at him...

MADDIE

What guy?

DAVID

You know. At the funeral. My ex-wife's guy. That guy.

MADDIE

Oh...him.

DAVID

Yeah.

(and then)

Somebody told me they're getting married.

MADDIE

Really?

(and then)

About time.

179

...he LEANS his head against the window...

DAVID

I guess so...

(and then;
closing his
eyes)

Wake me up when we're in the cab...

ON MADDIE

179A

...thinking about this exchange...and then...

MADDIE

David...?

ANOTHER ANGLE

179B

...as he OPENS his eyes...and LOOKS at her...

DAVID

Yeah?

... Maddie LOOKS at him...thinks about it for the briefest of seconds...then...

MADDIE

...want half the blanket?

DAVID

We can settle all that when we get to your place.
(and then)
Okay. Thanks.

... she PULLS half the blanket over him...

MADDIE

If I can borrow a shoulder...

DAVID

Only for another twenty or thirty years...then I'm gonna need it back.

... she rests her head on his shoulder... they both CLOSE their eyes... and then...

179B

DAVID
(eyes still
closed)
I wish you could have met
her. I think you'd like
each other. I know she'd
like you.

...and Maddie OPENS her eyes...asks herself once more whether or not she should call him on it...

DAVID (cont'd)
Hey...who knows...maybe someday
you two will meet...

... Maddie makes her decision...it's final...

MADDIE Yeah...who knows...

...and she SMILES up at him...a smile he doesn't see and wouldn't understand anyway...and we FREEZE FRAME...

OMIT 180-189

OMIT 180-189

THE END