

ELSEWHERE

(The Morning AMANDA and CELIA at Breakfast table. CELIA pours AMANDA some cereal and milk)

AMANDA

Is this the whole breakfast?

CELIA

Everyday can't be bacon and eggs and flapjacks and strawberries and French toast and scones and muffins and waffles and crepes and bananas and grapefruit and sausage.

AMANDA

Is there any juice?

CELIA

There might be.

AMANDA

What kinds?

CELIA

I don't know . You'll have to look.

AMANDA

Okay. I just wanted to say-It means a lot that you're happy for my happiness . I think when we were children I was mean to sometimes and I'm sorry about. I was terrible. But you've forgiven me and I'm really happy about that and now I'm going to get married and we'll get a house and jobs and we owe it all to you for putting us up and introducing us . And I'm grateful to you. Really grateful . Thank you.

CELIA

Okay

AMANDA

No really. Thanks for being so great.

CELIA

Sure.

AMANDA

Where is Teddy ? Hasn't he come down yet?

CELIA

Oh, right. He wanted me to give you this .(Celia holds out a sheet of paper)

AMANDA

What's is it?

CELIA

I don't know

(Amanda reads it)

AMANDA

When did he give this to you?

CELIA

This morning .

AMANDA

He just left ? How could he just leave?

CELIA

I don't know .

AMANDA

Did you say something to him?

CELIA

No No. What does it say?

AMANDA

Nothing. He needs time alone . He'll get in touch when he's found himself or such rubbish. I don't understand.

CELIA

I don't know.

AMANDA

Why does this keep happening to me ? Is it me? Am I doing something wrong? You saw us together . Did you think he was going to do this?

CELIA

Well...no . But I find it believable.

AMANDA

What's wrong with me? Is there something wrong with me I don't know about ? I'm ugly.

CELIA

No.

AMANDA

Was I too pushy? Was I not assertive enough ? Did I touch him too much ? Should I have talked more ? Could I have been wittier? More charming ? I'm stupid?

CELIA

No

AMANDA

Then what is it?

CELIA

We may never know .

AMANDA

There is a pattern . I'm running into the same problems over and over. I'm doing something . But They don't tell what . They just leave and I never see them again . Am I the kind of girl men leave without saying why? Is there something about me that makes a man propose one day and then disappear the next day?

CELIA

There must be .

AMANDA

What is it?

CELIA

I don't know. I guess they just decided against you. It's probably wasn't only one thing. They just got scared or looked at you decided you weren't the one. Some women are just not the one.

AMANDA

I was always the one in high school . I was the one. Everyone wanted me. I was beautiful.

CELIA

Sure. Back then . I don't know . You also introduce them to sex. It's like a drug for teenage boys and you were the primary dealer in our school. You can't judge that time. They were all hooked on you and your vagina. Even if you had something back then, let's say you did . Let's say you were beautiful . Well, we all get older. Our looks go. I guess your just washed up.

AMANDA

Am I ?

CELIA

Well, don't ask me, ask him , if he ever comes back.

AMANDA

They never come back .

CELIA

I'll let you know if he calls

AMANDA

Yeah.

CELIA

I'm sorry this happen.

AMANDA

I know you are.

CELIA

Sometimes things happen beyond our control.

AMANDA

Yeah, but I wish they were not always happening to me .

CELIA

Yeah.

AMANDA

I'm going to pack up.

CELIA

Why don't you stay here awhile. Maybe he'll come back .

AMANDA
He won't

CELIA
Well then stay then and keep me company.

AMANDA
No, I should start over again. I've bothered you enough.

CELIA
It's no bother .

AMANDA
No, I'm going to go . Maybe I'll come visit around Christmas.

CELIA
You sure?

AMANDA
I got to get back on that horse.

CELIA
I admire that about you. Man after man after man leaves you but you never let get you down.

AMANDA
Yeah,well . Thanks for putting me up.

CELIA
Thanks for painting my walls . You wanted take any of Teddy's paintings?

AMANDA
I don't want to be reminded.

CELIA
I might just burn them.

AMANDA
No, please don't . Well, not yet. Let me know before you do.

CELIA
I will.

AMANDA

Thanks Celia. You're the best sister a girl can have.