GARDEN STATE

SAM
I recognize you.

ANDREW
Oh did you go to Columbia High?

SAM
No not from high school, from TV. Didn't you play the retarded quarterback?

ANDREW
Yeah.

SAM
Are you really retarded?

ANDREW
No.

SAM
Cool. Great job man. I mean I thought you were really retarded. You are just as good as that Corky kid and he's actually retarded. I mean if there was some form of like retarded Oscar, you would like hands down kick his ass.

ANDREW
Well thank you. Thanks, I appreciate it. I have to fill out this form though so…

SAM
Right on.

ANDREW
Thanks.

SAM
My cousin's an actor. Jake Ryan Winters. I doubt you've heard of him. He was like on Xena once as a gnome or something. That's really cool though.
ANDREW
Thanks.

SAM
Oh my God. That scene. That last scene where you give the speech to the whole stadium and your dad... Oh!!! Your dad gives you the thumbs up. That was like... that was emotional. So you got anything else coming out?

ANDREW
No. You know... I'm just auditioning and...

SAM
I can't believe you're not really retarded. I mean Jake's not a very good actor. You can't really tell on Xena because he's like in the hairy gnome suit and everything, but when we were little he used to put on these really really low budge renditions of Andrew Lloyd Webber musicals in our attic and they were awful! Like so bad. It sucks though because there's not that much work for little people you know. Anyway, I'm talking too much. You gotta fill out your forms.

ANDREW
What are you listening to?

SAM
Glass Animals you know em'? You gotta hear this one song it'll change you life. I swear. Oh I'm sorry. You have to umm... you have to fill out your forms. Conundrum. You think you could maybe listen while you fill out those?

ANDREW
Yeah I think I can handle that. (Listens) It's good. I like it.

SAM
So what are you here for?

ANDREW
What are you here for?
SAM
Waiting for a friend, you?

ANDREW
I...umm...

SAM
Oh fuck that was nosy. I am so nosy. I didn't mean to be. I'm sorry.

ANDREW
No, it's just... I get these headaches and I just want to have it checked out.

SAM
Cool.

NURSE
Andrew Largeman?

ANDREW
Yes.

NURSE
Are you ready?

ANDREW
Just about.

NURSE
Don't worry, Sam. We'll be with you next.

(Nurse exits)

ANDREW
So why are you really here?

SAM
Charging. I'm a robot!

ANDREW
Do you lie a lot?
SAM
What do you consider a lot?

ANDREW
Enough for people to call you a liar.

SAM
People call me lots of things.

ANDREW
Is one of them liar?

SAM
I could say no, but how would you know I'm not lying?

ANDREW
I guess I could choose to trust you.

SAM
You can do that?

ANDREW
I can try.

SAM
Whose bike is that out there?

ANDREW
It was my grandfather's. It was the only thing he left to anyone in my family and he left it to me. And I like it.

SAM
So this is the point in the conversation where you ask me if I'd like a ride home later.

ANDREW
It is?

SAM
Yup.
ANDREW
Would you like a ride home?

SAM
Fine. But I'm not getting in that sidecar.

ANDREW
Why not?

SAM
Sidecars are for bitches. Anyone who rides in that is automatically your bitch. Thus I will ride on the back.

Nurse (Off Stage)
Mr. Largeman?

ANDREW
Sorry. (To Sam) Are you doing anything after this?

SAM
Can you elaborate on doing anything?

ANDREW
No. I just know this guy. Jesse. He bought this mansion that's near here. He wants me to come visit him, but I don't want to stay very long. So I was thinking like...if you came too I could just say I had to take you home when I'm ready to go.

SAM
Wow. That's pretty damn random of you.

ANDREW
I know.

SAM
Nice to meet you...can I use you?

ANDREW
No
SAM
It's the Hollywood in you.

ANDREW
No. It's not like that. C'mon. It'll be fun. I'll tell you what...we could have like a...like a signal. Like when you pull on your ear, that's the code. And I'll be like, "Oh, I got to take her home." And then we'll go.

SAM
Can we have code names too?

ANDREW
If you want.

SAM
Okay. But don't try and like kidnap me or anything, because my step uncle is a bounty Hunter and he can have you tracked and killed.

ANDREW
You're such a liar...

(Starts to exit...)

SAM
Good luck with your head.