SLEEPING WITH OTHER PEOPLE
First “Date”

JAKE
Matthew Sobvechik? The guy had all the charm of a broken Etch-a-Sketch.

LAINEY
It feels so freeing to tell someone about it who actually knows him.

JAKE
Okay, you're going to have to explain this to me. I mean, is he packing? Huh? Is that what's going on? Does it tip in hundreds? Read you the Polar Express before bedtime?

LAINEY
You know, it's pretty average actually.

JAKE
Ah, goddammit! Even his junk is boring. God damn boring dick! That's so weird, and you're a catch! It's true. you know, I'm serious. You've got a strong vocabulary. You look dynamite in a tank top. It's just - what gives?

LAINEY
I guess... I guess, I just thought eventually he'd choose me. And so I always chose him. If he texted I'd think of an excuse. I'd lie, I'd...

JAKE
That's psychotic.

LAINEY
Thanks.

JAKE
Well, I mean it's not your fault. You know, little girls are told someday they'll find The One. What they don't tell you guys is that The One might be a complete fucking dickhead with a boring heroin penis that turns you all into a sex addict.

LAINEY
I'm not a sex addict.

JAKE
Oh yeah. Yeah. Me neither.

LAINEY
I went to a few meetings because my therapist suggested that I go, that it might help. But it didn't, so I stopped.
JAKE
Okay.

LAINEY
What's your excuse?

JAKE
Me?

LAINEY
Yeah.

JAKE
My girlfriend said if I didn't go she'd break up with me. So I went to a meeting. She broke up with me anyway. I'm cured.

LAINEY
Well why did she want you to go?

JAKE
She... some have suggested that I have a little bit of a problem staying faithful... for long periods of time... or possibly at all. I guess.

LAINEY
And it all comes out.

JAKE
Look, once I come to the realization that I'm with- the wrong girl, I don't know how to end it.

LAINEY
So you sabotage it by sleeping with other people.

JAKE
Yes. Exactly, yeah. Obviously they get upset, but then comes the big old rigmarole of like 'you're afraid to commit' and it's like 'no, I just don't want to commit to you.' But I can't say that, because that's like mean on top of mean. So it's no, no, no. It's not you, it's me. I don't like you. You know, like that.

LAINEY
- Yeah, that's harsh.

JAKE
That's harsh, right. You can't say that. So instead I'd rather just say something like: 'I fucked your sister.' –
LAINEY
Much better.

JAKE
Well, it's honest. You have to fuck the sister in order for it to work. It's like I'd rather -

LAINEY
Be the bad guy than tell the truth.

JAKE
See. You get it.

LAINEY
Yeah. But I'm psychotic.

JAKE
But like an approachable psychotic. That's the thing I don't think I mentioned earlier.

LAINEY
You like it?

JAKE
Yeah, it's like Ted Bundy. You can't get into a van by just being a jerk. You've got to have a certain way about you....

LAINEY
So I'm probably going to hit the road.

JAKE
Yeah.

LAINEY
Jake, thank you.

JAKE
We did it.

LAINEY
This was a good date.

JAKE
We did the date. I think it was the first I think it might have been the first date I've ever been on so I don't really have much to compare it to, but it seemed solid.
LAINLEY
Good. Okay.

JAKE
Shit...

LAINLEY
What?

JAKE
I- I want to fuck you.

LAINLEY
What? That's so...

JAKE
I know...

LAINLEY
No!

JAKE
What do you mean no?

LAINLEY
What did I do? Stop wanting to!

JAKE
It's kinda hard. I mean, look at you. I mean, you're so pretty and you're vulnerable and it's just like you might as well be wearing a sign that says: Solve my problems with your penis!

LAINLEY
Jake, we just spent the entire evening talking about how we screw up every sexual relationship we've ever have.

JAKE
I know, right. And yet here I am, wanting...

LAINLEY
So maybe we gotta just be friends.

JAKE
Yes. That is the mature, responsible thing to do for each other and ourselves, yes I
agree. Okay, but we've got to come up with a system, if we're gonna be friends, and I want to be good friends...

LAINEY
It's fair. So maybe we come up with a safe word for if we're having sexual tension and then we'll stop whatever...

JAKE
If you're doing something sexy or I'm doing something sexy.

LAINEY
Feeling attracted.

JAKE
It's mutual? So it is mutual? You're saying it's mutual?

LAINEY
It could be mutual.

JAKE
That's a yes.

LAINEY
I may or may not have to use the word. We'll have to see.

JAKE
Okay, alright.

LAINEY
Yeah.

JAKE
Anything. I'll do anything. You pick it, and yes.

LAINEY
It's Avocado.

JAKE
No. Can't do that.

LAINEY
No. It's an immediate veto?

JAKE
I mean, it's too sexual.
LAINEY

It's too sexual. Avocado is too sexual?

JAKE

Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. I mean, you've got to see the way I eat an avocado and you'll be like that's you know, do that to me.

LAINEY

Guam.

JAKE

Guam, like the country Guam No! No. I knew a girl whose father was from Guam and she literally had one of the best natural bodies I've ever seen in my life.

LAINEY

Noodle salad.

JAKE

Noodle salad? That's a sex thing.

LAINEY

What?

JAKE

That's a bunch of guys putting flaccid dicks into someone's mouth. That is called a noodle salad.

LAINEY

That is not a thing.

JAKE

I mean it absolutely is a thing. I know it's a thing. Go to noodlesalad.org

LAINEY

Now I feel like you're just trying to find problems.

JAKE

I would make the argument that you are just suggesting only things that can only be perceived as sexual.

LAINEY

Okay, so it needs to be more violent.
JAKE
Yeah.

LAINEY
Dick in a Mousetrap!

JAKE
Yikes! What is that?

LAINEY
Oh!

JAKE
That's awful!

LAINEY
You don't like it?

JAKE
No!

LAINEY
That's the one.

JAKE
What?

LAINEY
We'll shorten it to Mousetrap. Thank you. Goodbye.

JAKE
Mousetrap?

LAINEY
Alright.

JAKE
Goodbye.

LAINEY
I'm going. I'm going for it.

JAKE
Yeah. Live on the edge.
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LAINLEY
Goodnight.

JAKE
Careful. Bye.

LAINLEY
Bye.