

Anna

I'm sorry.

Dan

What happened?

Anna

Traffic. Do you want to go stand in the back?

Dan

No, let's have a drink. You look flushed. You have no need to run. Vodka Tonic?

Anna

Yes

Dan

(to bartender)

Vodka tonic and a Guinness, please.

Bartender

Sure.

Dan

How was it?

Anna

Fine.

Dan

You had lunch?

Anna

Mmm-hmm.

Dan

Then what?

Anna

And then we left.

Dan

And?

Anna

There's no "and".

Dan

You haven't seen him in four months. There must be an "and". How is he?

Anna

Terrible

Dan

(to bartender)

Keep the change.

Bartender

Thank you, sir.

Dan

How is his Dermatology?

Anna

He's in private practice now.

Dan

Is he?

Anna

Hmm

Dan

Was he weeping all over the place?

Anna

Some of the time.

Dan

Poor bastard. Was he difficult?

Anna

Are you angry that I saw him?

Dan

No. It's just. I haven't seen Alice.

Anna

You can't see Alice. You don't know where she is.

Dan

I haven't tried to find her.

Anna

You know why I saw him. He's been begging me for months. I saw him so he'd sign.

Dan

So has he signed?

Anna

Yes

Dan

Congratulations. You're a divorce. Double divorce.

Anna

Hmm

Dan

Sorry. How do you feel?

Anna

Tired.

Dan

I love you. And I need a piss.

(goes to bathroom)

Dan

(returns)

You slept with him, didn't you? What do you expect me to do?

Anna

Understand.

Dan

Why didn't you lie to me?

Anna

Because we said we'd always tell each other the truth.

Dan

What's so great about the truth? Try lying for a change. It's the currency of the world.

Anna

I did what he wanted and now he will leave us alone. I love you. I didn't give him anything.

Dan

Your body?

Anna

If Alice came to you, desperate, with all that love still between you. And she said she needed you to want her so she could get over you, you'd do it. I wouldn't like it either, but I'd forgive you. It's kindness.

Dan

No cowardice. You haven't got the guts to let him hate you. It's gone. We're not innocent anymore.

Anna

Don't. Don't stop loving me. I can see it draining out of you. It's me remember? It was a stupid thing to do, and it meant nothing. If you love me enough, you'll forgive me.

Dan

Are you testing me?

Anna

No. I do understand.

Dan

No. He understands. All I can see is him all over you. He's clever, your ex-husband. I almost admire him. I think you enjoyed it. He wheedles you into bed. The old jokes, the strange familiarity. I think you had a whale of a time. And the truth is I'll never know unless I ask him.

Anna

Well why don't you?