

1 JON: You made it. Good. Good. I'm glad.  
2 MATT: Thanks. *(Silence while JON studies the list)*  
3 JON: Wait a minute. Look, there it says understudy, Jon  
4 Roberts. Oh, I get it, she's still thinking about my part  
5 in the show, it's "under study."  
6 MATT: Uh huh. *(He starts to giggle, then laughs out loud at*  
7 *JON's stupidity.)* Moron! Understudy doesn't mean she's  
8 thinking about casting you in a part. It means you  
9 aren't in the show unless someone gets sick or dies.  
10 JON: I'm not in it? I didn't make it? So, fine. No big deal, I'll  
11 just go back to football. Who cares, right?  
12 MATT: Right. *(They start to walk away, MATT suppressing*  
13 *snickers.)* Football's good, too.  
14 JON: Yeah. *(A moment passes.)* That witch!! She knows how  
15 much this means to me. I can't believe it. Oh my God!  
16 *(He goes back to look at the cast list.)* Look at this. Bobby,  
17 he's no good. Joey, he can't act right. I'm better than all  
18 these people. What's she thinking?  
19 MATT: Maybe she's thinking she doesn't want to work with  
20 an ass.  
21 JON: Personality shouldn't matter. Talent should matter.  
22 I'm better than everyone on this frickin' list.  
23 MATT: Yeah, well, you may be better, but we're all in it,  
24 right? Hey, buddy, walk home.  
25 JON: Fine! I'll walk! I don't need you or this stupid play. *(He*  
26 *looks again at the list.)* I don't believe it!

## The Date

Cast: Eddie, Frank

Setting: Inside Eddie and Frank's house

1 EDDIE: I need to take a shower.  
2 FRANK: Well, I guess you're going to have to wait until I'm  
3 done.  
4 EDDIE: I've been waiting an hour already.  
5 FRANK: You're just going to have to wait a little longer,  
6 then, aren't you? I'm getting ready for Tammy.  
7 EDDIE: You know, big brother, that ever since you have  
8 been going out with Tammy all you do is talk about  
9 going out with her, get ready to go out with her or  
10 actually go out with her.  
11 FRANK: I've got the song of love in my heart.  
12 EDDIE: Your life is rapidly becoming played on one note.  
13 FRANK: You're just jealous that Tammy's my girl.  
14 EDDIE: To be perfectly honest, Frank, I've never given her  
15 a second thought.  
16 FRANK: Are you badmouthing the woman I love?  
17 EDDIE: No, I'm not. I am, however, getting really tired of  
18 talking about nothing but her and watching you fall  
19 into this zombie mode. It's sickening.  
20 FRANK: It's love.  
21 EDDIE: Whatever. All I want right now, though, is for you to  
22 get out of this bathroom so I can get ready for my date.  
23 FRANK: Eddie, you have a date?  
24 EDDIE: Why do you sound so shocked? Do you think  
25 women find me unappealing? I have more than my  
26 share of women.  
27 FRANK: I've noticed. That's what I meant. Only one date  
28 tonight?  
29 EDDIE: You sound surprised.

1 FRANK: No, I didn't mean it that way. I just thought that  
2 you weren't, you know, interested.  
3 EDDIE: I'm not interested in a long-term, whipped kind of  
4 thing that you're in. I'm in it for the quick excitement  
5 and short run.  
6 FRANK: Ah, I see. In other words, you're a pig.  
7 EDDIE: You act like it's a bad thing.  
8 FRANK: And you think I've got a problem because I'm with  
9 one girl? You're the one with the problem.  
10 EDDIE: No, I'm the one with the *women*. You're the one  
11 with the *woman*. It's a matter of singular versus plural.  
12 I happen to like my fun in quantity.  
13 FRANK: Well, I'm in it for the quality. I feel sorry for you.  
14 You're missing a lot.  
15 EDDIE: Funny, I was just about to say the same thing to you.  
16 FRANK: Well, I'm off to my girlfriend. You have a great time  
17 with whoever it is you'll waste your life with tonight.  
18 EDDIE: Ah, one man's waste is another man's feast. I plan  
19 on dining well tonight. *(Both laugh and exit.)*

## Facing the Enemy

Cast: Rick, Sam

Setting: A hallway at school

1 RICK: The movie is at three-thirty, OK?  
2 SAM: What movie?  
3 RICK: Sam, I told you that we were going to meet Debbie  
4 and Leah today at the show.  
5 SAM: Today? Was that today?  
6 RICK: Yes, it was today. What's the matter with you? You  
7 never listen to anything I say.  
8 SAM: Rick, I can't go.  
9 RICK: Oh, no you don't. You're not leaving me alone to face  
10 those girls. You promised that this time you'd go.  
11 SAM: I can't. What will I say? How will I act?  
12 RICK: Just be yourself.  
13 SAM: Oh, great. Look how well that's worked for me in the  
14 past. Girls hate me.  
15 RICK: They don't hate you. They're just a little  
16 uncomfortable around a guy who never says anything  
17 except "excuse me."  
18 SAM: That's because I am always doing stupid things. I am  
19 constantly excusing myself. I'm an embarrassment.  
20 Why did you ask them to meet us?  
21 RICK: Listen to me. Leah said she thinks you're cute.  
22 SAM: No way!  
23 RICK: I swear. She said she really wants to get together with  
24 you.  
25 SAM: With me? Get together with me? What will I do? How  
26 do I act? What do I say?  
27 RICK: Just be cool, be natural. Be like me.  
28 SAM: Like you? You mean talk to her? And try to touch her?  
29 RICK: Well, I'm not saying throw her on the ground and