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HOWARD

I think it's clearing up.

ELAINE

Yeah?

HOWARD

Please don't move away from here.

ELAINE

I have to.

HOWARD

You know, I should never drink. My head really spins.

ELAINE

How are you going to drive home?

HOWARD

Same way I always do... thinking about you.

ELAINE

I don't think I've ever seen you drink.

HOWARD

No, although the year after my wife died, I was never sober. Of course, on the faculty of the school where I work, it's hard to tell. ... I'm going to miss you so much.

ELAINE

I'm going to miss you too. We'll always stay in touch.

HOWARD

You know what I'm saying.

ELAINE

Howard, please.

HOWARD

I have to. When you got that offer today to sell the house, I realized suddenly we wouldn't be sharing those winter evenings again.

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ELAINE

But you know I was only up here to get well,  
not permanently.

HOWARD

Is the difference in our ages awkward for  
you?

ELAINE

I'm in love with Peter. Isn't that the most  
ridiculous thing? Considering I don't think  
I even have a chance with him. I did for a  
while. I keep telling myself that maybe it  
will still work out all right somehow. And  
why Peter and not you? There's no reason  
worthy of you.

HOWARD

How often I've wanted to touch you.

ELAINE

Please. Please don't.

HOWARD

Now that I've embarrassed us both...

ELAINE

Let me make you some coffee. You're going to  
have a terrible hangover tomorrow.