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EXT. BRYANT PARK - LATER

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John mills about the park. He finishes his cigarette and is about to get going when he notices ANA sitting across the park.

She is a year older, attractive, in business dress that matches his.

**START**

JOHN

Hey - Ana?

ANA

John! What are you doing here?

JOHN

I just interviewed up the street.  
At McKinsey-

ANA

No way! I work there!

JOHN

Really? I didn't know that. Yeah,  
I was interviewing with-

ANA

- Bette Meinz. Of course. She  
interviews all the new first  
years... So what'd you think?

JOHN

Actually, I liked it.

ANA

But weren't you a math major?

JOHN

Yeah... How many mathematicians do  
you know?

ANA

Oh. Then it's the opposite of  
lawyers - you know how when people  
don't know what they want to do,  
they decide, I'll go to law school!

JOHN

Ha. Exactly. So would you still do  
consulting if you knew, "what you  
wanted to do?"

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ANA

Hm. Yeah - I think I would. It pays great. It's actually intellectually engaging-

JOHN

- And it's concrete, right? Not just theories?

ANA

No, it's good. I mean, sometimes I start wondering - like, I debate myself - never mind, it's kinda silly.

JOHN

No go on. I debate myself all the time.

ANA

Well, I just look over all these case studies and I wonder - why me? Is my point of view any more valid than anyone else's? Sorry, I know that's really abstract.

JOHN

No, I get it. Like is your point of view something that you decide? Or is it something you just happen to have, because of circumstances. Like your family, and upbringing, and everything.

ANA

Yeah. It's bizarre because they hire you to fix things, and sometimes it seems you just take all your preconceived notions and throw them at the problem!

JOHN

Yeah. But you can't waste too much time questioning your point of view! Do you think other people sit around wondering if theirs is valid?

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Ana laughs.

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ANA

No. Probably not. Wow. Such  
vehemence...

JOHN

Yeah. No, it's just that I go back  
on forth on that a lot myself.

ANA

I didn't know math majors were so  
sensitive!

JOHN

Nah, I'm not sensitive. Just  
pretend well.

ANA

Don't you have a place to be young  
sir?

I should go - don't want to be late  
again.

JOHN

Yeah.

ANA

It was nice seeing you. Are you  
around?

JOHN

I'm staying with a friend at  
Rutgers.

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Rutgers?

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JOHN  
In Central Jersey. That's where I  
went to high school.

ANA  
That's pretty far.

JOHN  
Yeah. But I'll probably be here  
Friday.

ANA  
Yeah? So let's meet up.

JOHN  
Yeah, okay.

ANA  
Cool. Facebook me.

John watches her walk away.

SCENE TWO

END