

# SALLY

CARRIE - BERT

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She backhands him on the side of his head and the men roar with LAUGHTER.

BERT, 60, Carrie's drinking partner, beams with pleasure as she plunks herself down in a seat beside him. Also at the table: SALLY, a large Native woman, 50; her husband, JOHN; and HENRY, a big man with a red face who leans back in his chair as his large stomach swells above the table top. He's dozing but occasionally stirs and smacks his lips, snuffles and settles back again.

CARRIE

(to Bert)

What the hell are you laughing at?

BERT

Shit, Carrie, what's got you so riled up?

CARRIE

That goddamn daughter of mine and her useless husband.

(shouts)

Dean! Move your ass! You're not as cute as you think!

SALLY

What's the problem with Sylvie?

CARRIE

None of your business.

Dean arrives, theatrically, with Carrie's scotch. Carrie glares at him. Bert pays for it.

CARRIE (CONT'D)

Thanks, Bert. I'm surprised no one's kicked that boy's butt yet.

BERT

It's hard to give a pain in the ass, to a pain in the ass.

SALLY

Is it about the cafe?

CARRIE

Is what?

Start  
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SALLY  
Sylvie....?

CARRIE  
Sylvie? You got a daughter named  
Sylvie?

SALLY  
No, you do.

CARRIE  
So, what the fuck are you talking  
about?

Stop.

Sally is silenced. Carrie downs her scotch and hits Henry in his large stomach, bringing him to consciousness amidst a variety of smacking sounds.

CARRIE (CONT'D)  
Wake up you old, fat fart! We've  
got a party going on here!

10 EXT/INT. TRUCK CAB - NIGHT

SHAWN stares tensely ahead. The rain hits hard at the windows, creating a racket on the roof of the cab. The TRUCKER doesn't mind. He HUMS to himself.

Shawn's fingers tap nervously on his knee. He reaches up to his shirt pocket, undoes the button and takes out a PRESCRIPTION bottle, clutching it in his hand.

The trucker produces a gold microphone and pops on a tape.

TRUCKER  
Do you sing?

He offers the mike to Shawn who shakes his head and grins. The TAPE begins to play MUSIC. The trucker SINGS into the microphone, softly at first but building in volume. His voice is beautiful. He doesn't notice Shawn taking a PILL and jerking his head back to swallow.