

Evelyn, looking a little worn

EVELYN

How are you? I was calling you.

She looks at him, searching his face.

GITTES

-- Yeah?

They move into the living room. Gittes is looking around it.

EVELYN

Did you get some sleep?

GITTES

Sure.

EVELYN

Did you have lunch?

Kyo will fix you something --

GITTES

(abruptly).

-- where's the girl?

EVELYN

Upstairs. Why?

GITTES

I want to see her.

EVELYN

...she's having a bath now... why  
do you want to see her?

GITTES  
Going somewhere?

EVELYN  
Yes, we've got a 4:30 train to  
catch. Why?

Gittes doesn't answer. He goes to the phone and dials.

GITTES  
J. J. Gittes for Lieutenant  
Escobar

EVELYN  
What are you doing? What's wrong?  
I told you we've got a 4:30 --

GITTES  
(cutting her off)  
You're going to miss your train!  
(then, into phone)  
Lou, meet me at 1412 Adelaide  
-- it's above Santa Monica  
Canyon... yeah, soon as you can.

EVELYN  
What did you do that for?

GITTES  
(a moment, then)  
You know any good criminal lawyers?

EVELYN  
(puzzled)  
-- no...

GITTES  
Don't worry -- I can recommend a  
couple. They're expensive but you  
can afford it.

EVELYN  
(evenly but with  
great anger)  
What the hell is this all about?

GITTES  
I found these glasses in your  
backyard -- in your fish pond. They  
belonged to your husband, didn't  
they?... didn't they?

EVELYN

I don't know. I mean yes, probably.

GITTES

-- yes positively. That's where he was drowned...

EVELYN

What are you saying?

GITTES

There's no time for you to be shocked by the truth, Mrs. Mulwray. The coroner's report proves he was killed in salt water. Just take my word for it. Now I want to know how it happened and why. I want to know before Escobar gets here because I want to hang onto my license.

EVELYN

-- I don't know what you're talking about. This is the most insane... the craziest thing I ever...

Gittes has been in a state of near frenzy himself. gets up, shakes her.

GITTES

Stop it! - I'll make it easy. -- You were jealous, you fought, he fell, hit his head -- it was an accident -- but his girl is a witness. You've had to pay her off. You don't have the stomach to harm her, but you've got the money to shut her up. Yes or no?

EVELYN

...no...

GITTES

Who is she? And don't give me that crap about it being your sister. You don't have a sister.

EVELYN

I'll tell you the truth...

GITTES

That's good. Now what's her name?

EVELYN  
-- Katherine.

GITTES  
Katherine?... Katherine who?

EVELYN  
-- she's my daughter.

GITTES  
I said the truth!

EVELYN  
-- she's my sister --

EVELYN  
(continuing)  
-- she's my daughter.

EVELYN  
(continuing)  
-- my sister.

EVELYN  
(continuing)  
My daughter, my sister --

GITTES  
I said I want the truth.

EVELYN  
(almost screaming it)  
She's my sister and my daughter!

EVELYN

(continuing)

-- my father and I, understand,  
or is it too tough for you?

EVELYN

(continuing)

... he had a breakdown... the  
dam broke... my mother died...  
he became a little boy... I was  
fifteen... he'd ask me what to  
eat for breakfast, what clothes  
to wear!... It happened... then  
I ran away...

GITTES

to Mexico...

EVELYN

Hollis came and took... care  
of me... after she was born...  
he said... he took care of her...  
I couldn't see her... I wanted to  
but I couldn't... I just want to  
see her once in a while... take care  
of her... that's all... but I don't  
want her to know... I don't want  
her to know...

GITTES.

... so that's why you hate him...

EVELYN

-- no... for turning his back on  
me after it happened! He couldn't  
face it...

(weeping)

I hate him.

GITTES

-- yeah... where are you taking her  
now?

EVELYN

Back to Mexico.

GITTES

You can't go by train. Escobar'll  
be looking for you everywhere.

EVELYN

How about a plane?

GITTES

That's worse... Just get out of  
here -- walk out, leave everything.

EVELYN

I have to go home and get my things --

GITTES

-- I'll take care of it.

EVELYN

Where can we go?

GITTES

...where does Kyo live?

EVELYN

-- with us.

GITTES

On his day off. Get the exact  
address.

EVELYN

-- okay...

She stops suddenly.

EVELYN

Those didn't belong to Hollis.

GITTES

How do you know?

EVELYN

He didn't wear bifocals.