By M. Wiseburg. - Class use only.

SHE

Davey, so tell me, what's new?

HE

Not much. Work's really busy - we're actually getting too much work.

SHE

So? Fantastic!

HE

Yeah, it's good.

SHE

And? What else? Besides work?

HE

Playing soccer. I started playing guitar - Ali is teaching me.

SHE

Guitar! Davey, you're too old to be a rock star.

HE

I know. But I don't have to be a rock star. I can just learn how to play.

SHE

So why do you want to play all of a sudden?

HE

It's not all of a sudden.

SHE

Davey, you're not a musician.

HE

Yeah! I know! Thanks Mom!

SHE

But you're not. Davey, if you were, fine. But you're not. Let's be realistic.

HE

What does it matter if I'm a musician or not! I enjoy it.

SHE

Okay, don't be angry.

HE

You make me angry.

SHE

No, I don't.

HE

Yes, you do sometimes.

SHE

Okay. Don't be angry. Tell me about the girls.

HE

What girls?

SHE

I don't know. Are you seeing anybody?

HE

No.

SHE

Why not?

HE

I don't know. I keep putting the ads in the paper but so far nothing, nobody's called...

SHE

Davey, don't be silly.

HE

Well, I'm not seeing anybody right now.

SHE

I know. You said that.

HE

So, fine!

SHE

I just want to know what's happening in your life.

HE

Nothing's happening.

SHE

Nothing?

HE

No, okay! Jesus!

SHE

That's not right. I'm your mother. You don't talk to me like that.

HE

Like what? You keep pushing and pushing.

SHE

Because I want to know. I want to know how my son lives his life.

HE

Well maybe I don't tell you because when I do you just dismiss it. Or it it's a girl, you haven't even met her, and you're finding things wrong with her.

SHE

No. That's not true.

HE

Yes. It is true, Mom. How can I tell you anything! Anything that's really important to me you put down or you call it stupid or she's not good enough or I shouldn't be wasting my time playing music.

SHE

That's right!

HE

It's my life!

SHE

Nobody says it's not your life. But it's my life too.

HE

No, it's not your life, Mom, it's mine!

SHE

Excuse me. I carried you for nine months. I raised you. You never went without.

HE

So, what? Because of that you have the right to tell me who to date or what I should enjoy doing?

SHE

No. But Davey, you have to understand...

HE

Understand what?!

SHE

You're a grown man and what do you have?

HE

I have what I have.

SHE

No. You don't have a house. You don't have a wife or family. When I was your age I already had you and Sophia and your father was already a manager. You don't really have a good job. Come on, it's time to grow up.

HE

And what does that mean? Ending up like you? Having to live your life through your children because you don't have one of your own?

SHE

You don't talk to me like that!