## COLLECTOR 1/4 (PP)

TY You're going out? **MAYA** I said you could come. TY I didn't fly all the way across the country to party. **MAYA** What do you want to do? TY How about talk? MAYA We have been talking. TY About my flight, about the weather, about people we knew in elementary school. How about now? **MAYA** We'll talk about now later. I don't want to talk about now now. TY You mean later when you're drunk? **MAYA** Look, Ty, let's just hang out. Have some fun.

TY

Rye. That's what Dad drinks, you know.

MAYA What's your point? TY I just think it's ironic, that's all. **MAYA** Really. In what way is that ironic? TY Just that you hate him so much. I'm surprised you'd do what he does. **MAYA** You don't understand. TY Don't understand what? **MAYA** I use it to keep the edge off, all right? It's better than the alternative. TY What's the alternative? **MAYA** This. TY I thought you kicked it. **MAYA** I had a slip.

TY

Are you off of it? Is that why you called me? Is that why you wanted my help?

MAYA

It's not something you can help with.

TY

Try me.

MAYA

Out of your league.

TY

What's in my league? Dusting? Being one of you pallbearers?

MAYA

Funny.

TY

I'm not trying to be funny!

**MAYA** 

I shouldn't have called you, all right? I'm sorry. I made a mistake. You're not good at things like this.

TY

Things like what?

**MAYA** 

Dealing with somebody else's pain.

TY

I've told you before. I didn't know.

MAYA

Then you were blind.

TY

You didn't tell me!

**MAYA** 

What was I supposed to do? Hold up a sign? "Hey, everybody, Dad's having sex with me!"

TY

I was a kid when it started!

**MAYA** 

So was I!

TY

Well, you're not now.

MAYA

Meaning what? I should grow up? Get over it?

TY

Meaning if you use it as an excuse to kill yourself, you'll still be dead.