

INT. APARTMENT - NIGHT

ZACK is picking up the apartment when the door opens and RYAN walks in. Ryan looks exhausted as he sets down his bag. Zack looks up.

ZACK

Hey buddy, how was work?

RYAN

It was long. I can't wait to get out of these clothes and just relax.

ZACK

Yeah, about that. I have some good news.

RYAN

Oh really? What's up?

ZACK

I scored us a double date.

RYAN

Excuse me? You what?

Zack smiles.

ZACK

I got us a double date for tonight. So go get changed, we're meeting them in an hour over at Mahoney's.

RYAN

I can't go on a date.

ZACK

Why not?

RYAN

I just can't.

ZACK

What, are you scared?

RYAN

No, it's just...

ZACK

Just what?

Ryan puts his head down.

ZACK

Look man, you need to get out. All you do is go to work and come home. It's not normal.

RYAN

I wouldn't know what to say.

ZACK

It's easy, just talk about yourself. Ask her about herself. Girls love to talk about themselves.

RYAN

I don't know.

ZACK

Okay, we'll do a little roleplay.

RYAN

A what?

ZACK

I'll pretend to be a girl and you talk to me.

Ryan shakes his head.

RYAN

That's a little weird.

ZACK

Come on, I'm trying to help you right now.

He gets ready in a weird girly pose and stares at Ryan. Ryan looks at him with a weird expression. After a long pause Zack motions for him.

ZACK

Come on, come up and talk to me.

RYAN

Oh, see. I'm not good at this.

ZACK

Let's try again.

Zack gets back into a weird girly pose. Ryan walks up.

RYAN

Hi.

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In his best girly impression he answers.

ZACK

Hi there. What's your name?

RYAN

It's Ryan.

There is more silence. Zack breaks out of character.

ZACK

Dude, you have to ask her her name as well.

Ryan freaks out a little.

RYAN

See, I told you, I'm not good at this.

ZACK

You're not even trying. Let's get into small talk.

Zack goes back into character.

ZACK

So what do you do for a living?

RYAN

I work for the IRS as an accountant. How about you?

ZACK

Oh wow. Does that mean if I sleep with you I don't have to pay my taxes?

RYAN

Are you kidding? I would report you and have you arrested.

Zack breaks again.

ZACK

Okay, you can't say that. Threatening to arrest someone is not a good first date move.

RYAN

Well I would. That's illegal.

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ZACK

Well just for tonight, we are both  
Wall Street brokers.

RYAN

You want to lie to them?

ZACK

Just for tonight. You never know,  
we might get lucky.

Ryan shakes his head.

RYAN

I don't know if that's a good idea.  
I mean, what if we get caught?

ZACK

You really have to loosen up. Now  
go get changed. We have to go.

Ryan just stands there.

ZACK

Go! Come on!

RYAN

Do I have to?

ZACK

Go!

Ryan walks into the other room as we...

FADE TO BLACK.