

The Stones 1/3 (me)

Pat

Where have you been? Everyone is here!

Lee

Don't give me grief. I almost hit a pedestrian.

Pat

Almost doesn't count. You'd think that maybe you could show up on time, given that there are thirty-eight friends and family members who have flown here, to Los Angeles, from all over...

Lee

Why is Aunt Syl still out here?

Pat

I keep telling her to hide. She won't listen to me.

Lee

Hi Aunt Syl!

Pat

Don't call her over here!

Lee

You should go and hide, Aunt Syl!

Pat

Where were you?

Lee

Nothing... I... I was running late. My landlord was being a real jerk. He put a padlock on my door. I had to change in my car. It was a whole thing. Mmmm... don't let me eat any more of these. They're good.

The Stones 2/3

Pat

There's a padlock on the front door to your apartment?

hee

It was a whole thing.

Pat

It was an eviction.

hee

It was rude.

Pat

It was an eviction! You were evicted. We knew you wouldn't be able to pull off living on your own.

hee

You know, I think it sucks that you and mom and dad have no faith in me.

Pat

I have faith in you,

hee

You do?

Pat

Yes. I even said, "Mom, dad, I have absolute faith that _____ will be crawling back home to us inside of two months".

hee

I don't care what any of you think. You cannot tell mom I was evicted, okay? I can't handle that combo-platter of disappointment and righteous glee. Or as I like to call it, the Unhappy Meal.

The Stones 3/3

Still, you shouldn't have been late.

Pat

Stop making such a big deal.

Lee

It is a big deal. It's their 25th anniversary! This party is going to make up for all the years of crappy, last minute gifts.

Pat

Like your "mayonnaise of the month".

Lee

It was "mustards of the world". And it's better than the "I.O.U. one foot massage" certificates you gave them on their twentieth. Cheapskate.

Pat

Hey, I had to massage dad's feet. I paid a very high price. When I close my eyes, I can still see them.

Lee