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ADAM ADDITION SCENE

FADE IN:

INT. APARTMENT
(Ellen, Adam)

ELLEN SETS DOWN A BAG BY THE DOOR.

ADAM

(EXPECTANTLY) So, did Susan say
anything about me?

ELLEN

She talked about you all day long.
Fabulous dancer, fabulous lover...
(NUMBLING) ...never wants to see you
again.

ADAM

(IMPRESSED) Fabulous lover, huh?

ELLEN

And some other stuff.

ADAM

What stuff?

ELLEN

Remember that Sting song, "If You
Love Somebody, Set Them Free"?

ADAM

Yeah.

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ELLEN

Well, here's your chance to really grasp it. Feel it: Live it.

ADAM SQUINTS AT HER, UNCOMPREHENDING.

ELLEN (CONT'D)

Fly free, little bird. Spread those wings.

ADAM

You've lost me.

ELLEN GETS THE BAG.

ELLEN

Susan wanted me to give you this.

ELLEN HANDS HIM THE BAG. ADAM OPENS IT, PULLS OUT HIS SWEATS, AND STARES AT THEM A MOMENT.

ADAM

(REALIZING) Oh, no. The clothes package. I know what the clothes package means. I've sent the clothes package. (TRULY REALIZING) I've been set free.

ELLEN

I'm sorry.

ADAM

I can't believe this. She didn't even call.

ELLEN

I thought it might be easier if you heard it from me.

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ADAM

This is awful. (Do you know what she
said to me last night? ^{AND} This is a
direct quote. "I hope this lasts
forever.")

ELLEN CONSIDERS FOR A BEAT. THEN:

ELLEN

Was that after...or... (BRACING
HERSELF) ...during?

BEAT.

ADAM

Okay, it was during. But we made
plans for tonight. Firm plans.

ELLEN

Did you mention it again this
morning?

ADAM

I certainly did. I said, "So, I'll
see you later," and she said, "Sure,
whatever." (REPEATING FOR CLARITY)

"Sure, whatever." (PAUSES; REALITY
IS BEGINNING TO SET IN) Oh, God!
Oh, sting!...

ADAM HANGS HIS HEAD, DESPONDENT. ELLEN GOES TO COMFORT HIM.

ADAM (CONT'D)

Did she give any reason why?

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ELLEN

Well, nothing specific, but my guess is that you're too young, too handsome, and just too irresistible to other women.

ADAM

That makes sense. So, if Susan asks how I took this, what are you going to tell her?

ELLEN

I am going to tell her the truth. I'm going to tell her that you couldn't care less. A herd of models descended upon our apartment, and I had to spend the night in the street.

ADAM

Good. Tell her that. And...that I miss her.

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