

ACT I, SCENE 7

Fade up. Julia is talking to Rita at a nonspecified location. Sam and Jack are on an opposite side of the stage in the park. Sam is flying his two-handed kite⁴, and Jack is scoping out chicks with binoculars..

RITA So...?

JACK How'd it go?

SAM & JULIA It was alright.

RITA That good, huh?

JACK Did you score?

SAM It was just a trip to the museum.

JULIA It was fine.

JACK You blew it, didn't you?

RITA What'd he do?

JULIA He didn't do anything.

SAM Dude, there was at least one good moment.

JACK Ah, so something did happen.

RITA C'mon. I demand details.

JULIA Well, we went to the museum.

SAM I took her to see the Rosenquists at the New Modern.

RITA Was he all like Mr. Tour Guide?

JULIA Yeah.

SAM I...

JACK Babbled non-stop about art?

SAM Something like that.

JACK Dude, you could put insomniacs to sleep with that shit.

⁴ See the tech notes for an idea about how to fly the kite.

SAM I know. I felt really stupid.

JULIA He's really smart. I kind of felt stupid. Oh, and then we saw these photos.

SAM Y'know that photography exhibit?

JULIA He didn't even know the exhibit was there.

JACK You mean the one you've seen like fifteen times?

SAM Yeah.

RITA & JACK What kind of photos?

JULIA Um, somewhat graphic...

SAM Lurid...

JULIA But tasteful...

SAM Artistic...

SAM & JULIA Naked people.

RITA & JACK What happened?

JULIA I talked about the shading and contours.

SAM I talked about the sophistication of the subject.

RITA & JACK Was it any good?

SAM & JULIA It kind of turned me on.

JACK Awesome.

RITA Did you tell him?

JULIA No! So then we went for a bite.

SAM I suggested that little café on eighth. She saw a vendor outside the museum.

JULIA I felt like a hot dog.

RITA & JACK A hot dog?

JULIA Sure.

SAM Yeah.

RITA You're such a romantic.
JULIA He made an old joke.
SAM I told the guy to give me the Zen Buddhist special and make me one with everything.
JACK I love that joke.
SAM Yeah. He made me one with everything.
JULIA Then we took a walk on some old boardwalk.
RITA Dockside?
JULIA That's what it's called.
JACK Did you catch the sunset on the pier?
SAM Tried.
JACK Always a classic.
SAM But she wanted to run into the arcade.
JACK Smooth move, Ex-Lax.
SAM & JULIA We played air hockey.
RITA His idea?
JULIA No, mine.
RITA You are a girl, right?
JACK Did you let her win?
SAM Not exactly.
JACK She beat your ass?
JULIA I whipped his ass.
SAM Something like that.
JACK You are not a man.
RITA What happened next?
SAM Back to her place.
JACK Now we're talking.

JULIA He wanted to see my portfolio.
RITA I bet he did.
SAM She wanted to show me her sculptures.
JACK [*Insinuating*] Did she show them to you?
SAM She showed me her artwork, yes.
RITA Was the air hockey the action in this date?
JACK Did you do it?
SAM & JULIA We kissed.
RITA & JACK And...?
SAM I went home.
JULIA That's it.
JACK That's it?
RITA He went home?
SAM & JULIA Yeah.
RITA Lame. **JACK** Sad.
SAM Considering I was a retard for most of the day, I think I did okay.
JULIA I had a nice time.
JACK Do you have any hope whatsoever for another date?
RITA Are you going to see him again?
SAM I have absolutely no idea.
JULIA Yeah. He's cool.
Fade out.