

Alice

What

Dan

This will hurt. I've been with Anna. I'm in love with her. We've been seeing each other for a year. It began at her opening.

*Alice walks away and gets her stuff*

Alice

I'm going

Dan

I'm sorry

Alice

Irrelevant. What are you sorry for?

Dan

Everything

Alice

Why didn't you tell me before?

Dan

Cowardice

Alice

Is it because she is successful?

Dan

No it's because she doesn't need me.

Alice

Did you bring her here?

Dan

Yes

Alice

Didn't she get married?

Dan

She stopped seeing me

Alice

That's when we went to the country to celebrate our third anniversary. Did you phone her, beg her to come back when you went for your long lovely walks?

Dan

Yes

Alice

You're a piece of shit.

Dan

Deception is brutal. I'm not pretending otherwise.

Alice

How? How does it work. How do you do this to someone?

Not good enough.

Dan

I fell in love with her Alice.

Alice

Oh as if you had no choice. There's a moment. There's always a moment. I can do this. I can give in to this. And I don't know when your moment was but I bet you there was one. I'm going.

Dan

It's not safe out there.

Alice

And it's safe in here?

Dan

What about your things?

Alice

I don't need things.

Dan

Where will you go?

Alice

I'll disappear.

*(beat)*

Can I still see you? Dan can I still see you? Answer me.

Dan

I can't see you. If I see you I'll never leave you.

Alice

What will you do if I find someone else?

Dan

Be jealous.

Alice

You still fancy me?

Dan

Of course.

Alice

You're lying. I've been you.

Will you hold me. I amuse you but I bore you.

Dan

No

Alice

You did love me.

Dan

I'll always love. I hate hurting you.

Alice

What are you?

Dan

I'm selfish and I think I'll be happier with her.

Alice

You won't. You'll miss me. No one will ever love you as much as I do. Why isn't love enough.

I'm the one who leaves. I'm supposed to leave. I'm the one who leaves.

*They kiss*

Alice

Make some tea buster.