

## GARDEN STATE

SAM

I recognize you.

ANDREW

Oh did you go to Columbia High?

SAM

No not from high school, from TV. Didn't you play the retarded quarterback?

ANDREW

Yeah.

SAM

Are you really retarded?

ANDREW

No.

SAM

Cool. Great job man. I mean I thought you were really retarded. You are just as good as that Corky kid and he's actually retarded. I mean if there was some form of like retarded Oscar, you would like hands down kick his ass.

ANDREW

Well thank you. Thanks, I appreciate it. I have to fill out this form though so...

SAM

Right on.

ANDREW

Thanks.

SAM

My cousin's an actor. Jake Ryan Winters. I doubt you've heard of him. He was like on Xena once as a gnome or something. That's really cool though.

ANDREW  
Thanks.

SAM  
Oh my God. That scene. That last scene where you give the speech to the whole stadium and your dad... Oh!!! Your dad gives you the thumbs up. That was like...that was emotional. So you got anything else coming out?

ANDREW  
No. You know... I'm just auditioning and...

SAM  
I can't believe you're not really retarded. I mean Jake's not a very good actor. You can't really tell on Xena because he's like in the hairy gnome suit and everything, but when we were little he used to put on these really really low budge renditions of Andrew Lloyd Webber musicals in our attic and they were awful! Like so bad. It sucks though because there's not that much work for little people you know. Anyway, I'm talking too much. You gotta fill out your forms.

ANDREW  
What are you listening to?

SAM  
Glass Animals you know em'? You gotta hear this one song it'll change you life. I swear. Oh I'm sorry. You have to umm...you have to fill out your forms. Conundrum. You think you could maybe listen while you fill out those?

ANDREW  
Yeah I think I can handle that. (Listens) It's good. I like it.

SAM  
So what are you here for?

ANDREW  
What are *you* here for?

SAM  
Waiting for a friend, you?

ANDREW  
I...umm...

SAM  
Oh fuck that was nose. I am so nose. I didn't mean to be. I'm sorry.

ANDREW  
No, it's just... I get these headaches and I just want to have it checked out.

SAM  
Cool.

NURSE  
Andrew Largeman?

ANDREW  
Yes.

NURSE  
Are you ready?

ANDREW  
Just about.

NURSE  
Don't worry, Sam. We'll be with you next.

(Nurse exits)

ANDREW  
So why are you really here?

SAM  
Charging. I'm a robot!

ANDREW  
Do you lie a lot?

SAM

What do you consider a lot?

ANDREW

Enough for people to call you a liar.

SAM

People call me lots of things.

ANDREW

Is one of them liar?

SAM

I could say no, but how would you know I'm not lying?

ANDREW

I guess I could choose to trust you.

SAM

You can do that?

ANDREW

I can try.

SAM

Whose bike is that out there?

ANDREW

It was my grandfathers. It was the only thing he left to anyone in my family and he left it to me. And I like it.

SAM

So this is the point in the conversation where you ask me if I'd like a ride home later.

ANDREW

It is?

SAM

Yup.

ANDREW

Would you like a ride home?

SAM

Fine. But I'm not getting in that sidecar.

ANDREW

Why not?

SAM

Sidecars are for bitches. Anyone who rides in that is automatically your bitch. Thus I will ride on the back.

Nurse (Off Stage)

Mr. Largeman?

ANDREW

Sorry. (To Sam) Are you doing anything after this?

SAM

Can you elaborate on doing anything?

ANDREW

No. I just know this guy. Jesse. He bought this mansion that's near here. He wants me to come visit him, but I don't want to stay very long. So I was thinking like...if you came too I could just say I had to take you home when I'm ready to go.

SAM

Wow. That's pretty damn random of you.

ANDREW

I know.

SAM

Nice to meet you...can I use you?

ANDREW

No

SAM

It's the Hollywood in you.

ANDREW

No. It's not like that. C'mon. It'll be fun. I'll tell you what...we could have like a...like a signal. Like when you pull on your ear, that's the code. And I'll be like, "Oh, I got to take her home." And then we'll go.

SAM

Can we have code names too?

ANDREW

If you want.

SAM

Okay. But don't try and like kidnap me or anything, because my step uncle is a bounty Hunter and he can have you tracked and killed.

ANDREW

You're such a liar...

(Starts to exit...)

SAM

Good luck with your head.