

The Confession

Drama · Two-hander · 4 min · Female role · Adult · Intermediate

(Late. The table isn't cleared. Julie holds her phone.)

JULIE

I spoke to your sister. She thought I knew.

MARC

Julie...

JULIE

She thought I knew, Marc. Since when have you known?

MARC

What does it change now?

JULIE

Since when.

MARC

March. I found out in March.

(A beat.)

JULIE

We bought the car in April.

MARC

I didn't want to ruin...

JULIE

We took out a loan in April! You let me sign it.

MARC

I was going to find a way. I always do.

JULIE

You let our daughter change schools "to be closer." You knew we'd move.

MARC

I was protecting you.

JULIE

You were protecting yourself. From my eyes. From this conversation. From this exact moment.

(He doesn't answer.)

JULIE

The worst part isn't the money. It's that for six months you watched me make plans, knowing they didn't exist.

MARC

I was ashamed.

JULIE

Shame is still about you. Everything is always about you.

MARC

What do you want me to say?

JULIE

Nothing. That's the problem. There's nothing left to say that you shouldn't have said in March.

(She sets the phone down, screen against the table.)

JULIE

We'll see tomorrow. Not because I forgive you. Because I'm too tired to decide to leave you tonight.

What you can do with it

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