Script: Cracked ROLE: Nic, Male, early-late 20s

Nic's father recently killed himself.

INT. COFFEE SHOP

NIC and ANNIE talk over pie.

ANNIE You seem so calm.

NIC

That's the great thing about hanging out with your ex, it's very relaxing because they already know you're an idiot.

ANNIE

Well, you're a very charming idiot. You've always got that going for you.

NIC Thanks, babe.

ANNIE I hate 'babe'. You know that. It sounds greasy.

NIC Thank you, Annie Prichard.

ANNIE How is your mom taking it?

NIC

Pretty well, I guess. I mean besides the fact she said she wants to kill him. I said 'Ma, it's been taken care of'. That'd be a thing, huh? Bring someone back from the dead just so you can kill them again. Necromancer. Wow.

ANNIE

Why do you do that? You always make everything into a joke. Just be serious about real things!

NIC What do you know about serious and real? Your parents pay your rent, (MORE)

NIC (cont'd)

pay your tuition, you study interior design. And one day you'll get a job and discuss placement of hanging plants and coffee tables with rich people.

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ANNIE

You're a prick.

NIC

I'm sorry. That wasn't fair. (Beat) My mom is pretty shaken up. She's lost. He was always such an asshole and then he goes and kills himself. I get why people think about doing it. But actually doing it, is so fucking selfish! You get out but leave a mess of the people around you.

ANNIE

I know.

NIC

I have to be with my mom constantly or she'll crack and my brother is no better. (Beat) I wish I could tell him I hate him. I'm resentful that I have to take care of them. That's terrible, right? It makes me feel like shit that I feel like that.

ANNIE You're not a robot, Nic. It's normal to feel all kinds of emotions.

NIC C3PO, he was a good robot.

ANNIE

He was. I'm here for you, Nic. Whenever.

NIC

I know that. Thanks, babe. I mean, Annie.