Script MALE/FEMALE, 20's-30's

EXT. A PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE - NIGHT

A man and woman walk in the night playing a game, exchanging lies.

WOMAN

And that was before or after you left the C.I.A.?

MAN

After. Weirdest place you ever did it?

WOMAN

In the loo at the Taj Mahal.

MAN

(she scored one)

Yessss! You're a wild woman!

WOMAN

Thanks. First love?

MAN

A nightmare. She couldn't get enough. Had to cut her loose. Big ugly break up.

WOMAN

I'm sorry.

MAN

She married Sean Penn on the rebound.

GIRL

Oh, boooooo...

BOY

Okay, okay, that was weak.

WOMAN

Terrible.

MAN

Best day of your whole life?

WOMAN

The day I won my first Pulitzer. What a surprise! Thirteen years old!

MAN

Wow, a prodigy!

WOMAN

Had a training bra when I was nine!

MAN

Amazing!

WOMAN

Biggest mistake?

MAN

Kicking the crap out of George Steinbrenner in a game of pool. He never got over it. And now the Yankees can't find a second baseman.

WOMAN

So what is Steve Sax?

MAN

(some genuine emotion)
Steve Sax?! He can't throw the ball
to first base! He's Steve Garvey
with a blow dryer! All those guys
making millions batting two-fifty
are just lucky they made it through
the system.

The woman recognizes some truth in his pain.

WOMAN

(Gently)

I bet you're good.

MAN

Strictly double A.

WOMAN

Could you turn it?

MAN

In a blizzard with my eyes closed.

Beat.

WOMAN

(Empathetic)

I haven't published a sentence.

He looks at her, seeing through their game. His look frightens and awakens something in her at the same time.

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WOMAN (CONT'D)

I told you I have somebody.

MAN

I know.

WOMAN

This isn't going anywhere.

MAN

Fine.

WOMAN

Let's walk back to the club.

MAN

Okay.

Suddenly they kiss passionately.

WOMAN

I just want to use you.

MAN

I want to be used.

WOMAN

So you get 'em out here, let 'em lie a little, show 'em the view, then take 'em back to your place?

MAN

Basically.

WOMAN

Alright...