

Breaking Them Up

Renise

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PHIL
How's your evening?

ROBIN
Awkward.

WITH DAMIEN

Start Watching from across the room, when Renise arrives.

RENISE
Yo Damien, I thought I'd let you know you did a not awful job tonight.

DAMIEN
Thanks.

RENISE
I didn't think much of you when you started. To be honest, some days you'd make me so angry, I kept hoping you'd quit, or like fall into the orchestra pit and break your leg, but- who are you looking at?

DAMIEN
Nobody.

RENISE
You're totally lying. Who is it?

Renise steps in front of him, trying to block his view.

WITH PHIL AND ROBIN

PHIL
I think someone has a crush on you.

ROBIN
I just think he's lonely.

PHIL
He's looking for you.

Paulson has hung up the phone and looks around for her.

ROBIN
Wanna sneak away and get a drink with me? I saw a bar at the front.

WITH DAMIEN AND RENISE

DAMIEN
Why are you messing with me?

RENISE
Boredom. Also cause you're easy to mess with.

A slow dance starts up.

DAMIEN
Why don't you go dance?

RENISE
Ok, let's go.

DAMIEN
Not with me!

WITH PHIL AND ROBIN

Phil mulls over her offer.

ROBIN
Please. I have a surprise for you
And I could really use a drink.

WITH DAMIEN AND RENISE

RENISE
Are you afraid people will see us together? Cause I am not interested in you either. I just like to dance.

DAMIEN
I'm a terrible dancer. Hey, why not ask Lou?

Damien clocks Lou near the dance floor, watching everyone.

RENISE
Pfft. No way. Lou's a cheeseball.

DAMIEN
I know, but...he's a nice guy. He never has a mean thing to say about anyone.

Renise considers that, then heads for Lou and they step to the dance floor and start dancing.

Damien looks back and finds Phil with Robin. But then he sees Mr. Paulson heading their way.

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