

INT. CAR -- NIGHT

It's pitch black outside. A man and his wife, TOM and KATE, drive in the rain.

TOM
I'll be glad to get out of this rain,
I can tell you that right now.

KATE
How much further...to the hotel?

TOM
I'm sorry it's so late. You're not
mad we stopped?

KATE
Oh no. No, no. It was fantastic. I
mean I wish I could've understood
more of...what was going on, but
other than that...
(short pause)
No, it's great.

TOM
What about...

KATE
Well what do you expect? I mean...

She reaches across and rubs her husband's neck.

KATE (CONT'D)
I'm so glad we came. I'm... I love
it.

Brake lights pop on in front of them. He slams on the brakes.
Tries to peer around the truck in front of him.

TOM
So we're just stopping for no reason?

KATE
Don't get angry...

TOM
Don't tell me not to get angry. That's
just, that's just gonna make me more
angry.

KATE
Just go around.

TOM
Thank you...for that.

Kate sighs, exasperated.

Tom turns the wheel to change lanes, but a pair of lights speed by HONKING. He stops.

TOM (CONT'D)
Does everyone here drive like an idiot?

KATE
Honey, calm down. You're gonna...

TOM
Don't tell me to calm down. Is that supposed to be helpful?

KATE
Don't take this out on me.

Another car goes by HONKING. Tom wheels back into his own lane. Slams his fist on the steering wheel.

KATE (CONT'D)
Let's just wait for this truck to move.

TOM
What is he even doing?

He looks out front, out the side window. Out the back.

TOM (CONT'D)
We're gonna be here forever.

KATE
Just be patient. It's no big --

TOM
Can't see anything.

The brake lights in front of them go out.

KATE
He's moving.

TOM
I can see that. Thank you.

A beat of silence.

TOM (CONT'D)
I'm sorry. I shouldn't have... I'm sorry.
(pause)
Honey?

KATE
I heard you.

TOM
Honey, I'm sorry.

KATE

It's alright.

TOM

Is it?

He reaches his hand over.

KATE

It's alright. Just...watch the road.

He sighs and puts both hands on the steering wheel.

TOM

Do you have the map? Is there another route? 'Cause this...

KATE

Hang on.

She flips on the cabin light again, reaches into the back seat for a bag.

TOM

I can't... I can't see anything with the light...