

the days before you came

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CAST

Father
Mother
Boy
Girl
Woman
Man

SETTINGS

Road
Home
Beach

1.**In the dark.**

Father Is there a way out of here?
Mother The front door.
Father I can't see it. There are too many doors.
Mother Where?
Father Right before your nose, but which one is the front?

2.**The Boy and the Man in the corner of the street.**

Boy Can you do the job?
Man How much do you pay?
Boy How much do you need?
Man I have a wife and kid.
Boy Liar.
Man How much do you pay?
Boy We talked about it yesterday.
Man That's not enough.
Boy I could find someone else to do it, just tell me.
Man No, you could not. It's dangerous.
Boy Everything in life is dangerous.
Man Where's the money?
Boy I don't carry so much money with me.
Man I'll wait.
Boy Do you want me to go and fetch it now?
Man Hurry up; I've got a lot to do.
Boy I'll be back in an hour.
Man It's a deal.
Boy It's a deal.

3.**The Girl with the Father in the house.**

Girl I feel like I'm going to die one of these days. Die before everyone else in here.
Father Are you ill?
Girl I don't know.

Father Do you have a hunch?
Girl I guess.
Father Why don't you go to a doctor?
Girl What kind of doctor?
Father What about a pathologist?
Girl What can a pathologist do?
Father It depends on what you feel.
Girl Blank.
Father Why?
Girl I don't need a reason.
Father Mmm...
Girl I bet it will never go away.
Father How about an analyst?
Girl (positively) Not a bad idea.
Father Do you mean it?
Girl Don't know.
Father I've been feeling the same for years. I'll tell you one thing, no one can help you.

4.

Mother with Woman.

Mother What are you talking about?
Woman It's true.
Mother It can't be.
Woman He told me.
Mother And what about medical discretion?
Woman Come on. He is my permanent boyfriend.
Mother I don't know.
Woman He's good.
Mother Who?
Woman Dr. Boyfriend.
Mother Silly me, I thought she was a virgin.
Woman Oh please, come on.
Mother She doesn't even have a boyfriend.
Woman Believe me, she doesn't even need one. A man is enough. Any man.
Mother She didn't tell me anything.
Woman Why should she?
Mother I'm her mother.
Woman So what?
Mother Are you sure it was her?
Woman Absolutely.
Mother Maybe it's a mistake.
Woman Your daughter was in the hospital yesterday and... you know.
Mother (not meaning it) It can't be.

5.

Boy and Girl.

Boy Why did you do it?

Girl Why not?

Boy We had talked about it.

Girl You were talking, I was listening.

Boy You should have told me.

Girl Why should I argue with you?

Boy I don't know what to do with you anymore.

Girl You may punish me.

Boy Why?

Girl (seductively) It's not difficult to find a reason.

Boy Do you want me to?

Girl It's not a matter of what I want, the doctors said I must avoid any encounter for some days.

Boy How many?

Girl: Why do you ask?

Boy Don't play with me.

Girl What can you do anyway?

Boy I'm not a kid.

Girl I'm just a kid.

Boy No, you're not.

Girl Yes, I bloody am, and you can kiss me bro.

Boy Fuck you.

Girl The days go by quicker than you think.

Boy gets angry and leaves the room. The Girl smiles.

6.

Father and Woman. Pause.

Father Well...what do you think about hypnosis?

Woman To tell you the truth, I don't believe in hypnosis.

Father Do you want me to try?

Woman D'you know how to do it?

Father I could try.

Woman Go ahead.

Father Look at me... deep into my eyes...

Woman Is laughing permitted?

Father No, it's not! Your body feels heavy.

Woman It does.

Father Your hair's moving.

Woman Is it?

Father Nothing else, just your hair. There is no such thing as the room. There is no me. Just you. Only yourself. Isn't it a nightmare? What do you see?

Woman I'm in the backyard of our house.
Father Are you alone?
Woman My parents are away.
Father Do you expect them soon?
Woman Not that soon, actually.
Father What else can you see?
Woman My dog.
Father Do you have a dog?
Woman Of course I do.
Father I also had a dog when I was a child. What breed?
Woman A dead one. I killed it today with a rusty fork. A fork in the dog's head.
 No breath, just blood right upon his eyes.
Father Why?
Woman Why not?

7.

Mother and Girl.

Mother Can I have a word with you?
Girl What do you want?
Mother There's been a distance between us lately.
Girl Lately?
Mother Come on.
Girl What – do – you – want?
Mother Where were you yesterday evening?
Girl Where do you believe I was?
Mother In the hospital.
Girl Interesting. Was I ill?
Mother I wouldn't say ill.
Girl Why did I go to the hospital then?
Mother Didn't you have an abortion?
Girl Was it painful?
Mother Kind of.
Girl How did I feel?
Mother How should I know? Empty?
Girl Do you know whose baby it was?
Mother Yours.
Girl Mine only?
Mother I'm afraid not.
Girl Do you love me, mom?
Mother I've always cared for you.
Girl Yes, but do you love me?
Mother Do you?

8.

The Boy and the Man in the corner of the street. The Man is counting the money.

Boy How're you gonna do it?
Man You don't wanna know.
Boy Why?
Man You might change your mind.
Boy The money is yours anyway.
Man Where did you get so much money?
Boy I stole it.
Man Who from?
Boy The nearest bank.
Man You're a fucking liar.
Boy How're you gonna do it?
Man Painfully.

9.

The Woman is still hypnotized.

Mother (to the Woman) What's the matter with you? Why don't you speak?
Woman ...
Mother (to the Father) What's wrong with her?
Father She's hypnotized.
Mother By whom?
Father By me.
Mother Please, bring her back immediately.
Father I can't.
Mother What do you mean you can't? Did you try?
Father Twice.
Mother And now what? Shall I call the police?
Father I don't think it's appropriate.
Mother And what shall we do?
Father She's *your* friend.
Mother You're right. Do you know what she told me yesterday about our daughter?
Father Let her wake up on her own.
Mother Is she going to?
Father I guess so.

The Boy enters.

Boy ...What's the matter with her?
Mother Your daddy hypnotized my friend.
Boy Wow! Can I play with her?
Mother How do you mean?
Boy You know...

Mother I don't.
Boy Could I undress her and, you know...
Mother What?
Boy I don't know. I could shag her brains out, for instance.
Mother Don't you ever speak like that again in front of your dad.
Boy Ok, but can I?
Mother I've just cleaned up.
Boy I'll be very careful.
Mother I don't know, ask your father.
Boy Can I? Please Dad. Please...
Father I don't give a shit whether you fuck her or not.
Mother I'd better go, I don't want to see your...
Boy My what?

Mother leaves.

10.

The Man and the Girl.

Man Sorry but... I've been paid for this.
Girl ...Can't you do it straight away?
Man I won't.
Girl Ok.
Man Shall I continue?
Girl Please.

The Man with a knife wounds her in the eye. The Girl is screaming.

Man Wait. I'll call the emergency.

The Girl loses her senses. The Man rushes out.

11.

The Boy has just had sex with the Woman.

Boy (to the Father) Your turn... Go fuck her. You won't even pay. Come on, do it!
Father Why should I?
Boy Are you a sissy?
Father If I were a sissy you wouldn't exist right now.
Boy Many of them have children.
Father You're right, I suppose.
Boy Maybe you're bi.
Father By what?
Boy Bisexual.
Father I don't know.

The Boy undresses himself.

Boy How do you feel?
Father Nothing much.
Boy Do you like what you see?
Father I've seen it before.
Boy And?
Father And what?
Boy Do you wanna touch it?
Father Not necessarily.
Boy Come on, touch it. (**The Father touches him**) Well?
Father Well, what?
Boy Ok. Wait.

The Boy reveals the Woman's breasts.

Boy How do you feel?
Father Nothing much.
Boy Do you like what you see?
Father I've seen it before. (**Apologetically**) A long time ago.
Boy And?
Father And nothing.
Boy Do you wanna touch it?
Father Not necessarily.
Boy Come on. (**The Father touches the Woman's breasts**) Are mommy's better?
Father What do you think?
Boy Definitely Mommy's.
Father Why?
Boy They're Mommy's

12.**The Mother with the Girl. The Woman is doing the housework.**

Girl What happened to her?
Mother Where were you last night?
Girl In the hospital.
Mother If you like it so much, why don't you move there?
Girl It's probably better than here.
Mother What happened to your face?
Girl What do you think?
Mother It looks like someone tried to gouge your eye out.
Girl Did he make it?
Mother Almost.
Girl Did I feel any pain?
Mother I guess you did.

Girl I lost my senses.
Mother Don't be ashamed, that's normal.
Girl Did you ever love me, mom?
Mother Not again.
Girl Tell me.
Mother I've always cared for you. (**Looking at the Woman.**) Can you wake her up?
Girl Is she asleep?
Mother (to the Woman) Are you asleep?
Woman No, thanks.

13.

The Boy and the Man.

Man This girl is something! I do like your sister, you know.
Boy So what? I like her too.
Man I don't have a sister. Only two brothers.
Boy Same thing.
Man No, it's not. Lots of things you can do with a sister.
Boy Such as?
Man You know.
Boy Nasty things.
Man Yes!
Boy You can do the same with your brothers.
Man It's not the same.
Boy Why not?
Man When did you first see your sister's pussy?
Boy As a child. She had no hair. I showed her mine and she showed me hers.
Man Did you touch it?
Boy I don't remember.
Man You see?
Boy And you? When did you first see your brothers' penises?
Man As a child. I showed them mine and they showed me theirs.
Boy Did you touch them?
Man I think so.
Boy You see?
Man Yes, but we were boys.
Boy When you're a child sexual is sexual no matter the sex.

14.

The hypnotized Woman does the housework.

Mother How long have we been friends?
Woman You and me? We've never been friends. Ever.
Mother I've known you for at least two decades.

Woman Right, but we're not friends.
Mother You're my best friend.
Woman You have no friends.
Mother I do... Have you?
Woman Not as far as I know.
Mother What do you think about me?
Woman Well, you believe you're the center of the world, you don't really care about anybody besides yourself.
Mother (murmuring) That's not true.
Woman You are a boring friend, a boring wife, a boring mother, and a boring person in general.
Mother Enough. I feel the same for you.
Woman Of course you do.
Mother Then why are we still so close to each other?
Woman Still we only have each other.
Mother Is there another "big" secret I should hear about?
Woman None.
Mother Thank god.
Woman There are secrets you don't want to know.
Mother Try me.
Woman I slept with your husband a few times in the past.
Mother You slut.
Woman I was so bored.
Mother Didn't you like it?
Woman It wasn't anything close to special.
Mother Do you know how I call him lately?
Woman How?
Mother Dead meat.

They laugh noisily.

Woman I can imagine why.
Mother (strictly) Don't forget to do the dishes.

15.

The Man with the Girl.

Man What do you want me to do?
Girl Can you take care of me? I can't be alone anymore.
Man That's impossible. I have a wife and a kid, love.
Girl Liar!
Man It's true.
Girl Kill them.
Man That's out of the question.
Girl If you really care for me, you will.
Man This can't be done.
Girl Leave them.

Man I can't do that either... I think I'm falling for you.
Girl Falling in love? There's no such thing.
Man How can you be so sure?
Girl That's a fact. Not in this life anyway.
Man Think positive... Yet, I...
Girl If you love me, please help me put an end to all this shit.

The Man stabs her twice.

Girl One last favor.
Man What?
Girl Kill them all.

16.

The Woman and the Father.

Father Come here.
Woman Yes, sir.
Father You used to have a nice arse. **(He caresses her)** You still do.
Woman Thank you.
Father Can you give me a blow?
Woman Immediately, sir.

The Woman gives a blowjob to the Father.

Father Let it be.
Woman Why?
Father (to himself) I don't feel anything.
Woman Are you a fairy?
Father Why do you all keep asking me the same thing?
Woman You didn't even have a hard-on.
Father You're right. Do you know what my wife calls me lately? **Dead fish.**
Woman Meat.
Father What?
Woman Meat sir, not fish.
Father (strictly) Go and cook!
Woman I will make you some fish. I get the fish, clean it thoroughly, scratch the scales off the skin, remove intestines, wash it carefully, pour lemon juice all over it, let it soak for a few minutes, add salt, pepper, oil it, dip it into flour, then into beaten eggs, then into crushed breadcrumbs and finally brown both sides with butter, till it gets a nice reddish tint.
Father Are you all right, sweetie?
Woman I don't feel like anything sir.
Father That's why I envy you.

17.

The Boy carries the dead Girl. He leaves her on the floor and undresses her.

Boy You stupid. Happy now? What about me...? Tell me. What am I going to do without you?... I didn't help you, I know. You asked a thousand times, but I didn't, I couldn't... You said I was a coward; that I didn't care enough. Who's the one to say what's enough and what's not?... Are you satisfied now?... Tell me, if I make love to you right here right now will you wake up for me? If I kiss you?... You're cold already. You have small tits. Please allow me for the first, and the last time...

The Boy tries to make love to the Girl.

Boy No way.

18.

The Father and the Mother after the funeral.

Mother I feel...
Father Do you? How do you feel?
Mother I can't tell.
Father Don't feel sad.
Mother She was my only daughter.
Father She was not well.
Mother Show me one who is well.
Father Did you love her?
Mother Did you?
Father I asked first.
Mother Tell me, did you?
Father (with emphasis) With all my heart.

The room turns into a coast. It's a summer day.

Mother Me? Do you love me?
Father Does it make any difference?
Mother You used to love me once. I remember that.
Father That was many years ago.
Mother What changed?
Father We did. You're not the woman I loved; I'm not the man you loved.
Mother What are we then?
Father A couple.

19.

The Man hits the Boy.

- Man** She was the only woman I loved.
Boy You didn't even know my sister
Man Shut your mouth.
Boy What's wrong with you, man?
Man You paid me to waste the only woman...
Boy I didn't pay you. She did.
Man What's this crap?
Boy She gave me the money to hire someone to kill her. You know why? I didn't have the guts to do it myself.
Man Why?
Boy You may find it peculiar, but I don't usually kill people.
Man What do you kill then?
Boy I don't kill anything at all.
Man How can you handle all this extra energy?
Boy I go to the gym.
Man It's not the same. Do you go to the hookers?
Boy Now and then.
Man Do you get a kick when you make them suffer?
Boy No.
Man You mean you don't beat them?
Boy I said no.
Man (hitting the Boy) Not ever? (**The Man grabs the Boy by the hair.**) Why did she want to die?
Boy Haven't got a clue. She'd had an abortion.
Man When?
Boy I tried to talk her out of it, but...
Man Why did she have the abortion? She had paid me to kill her anyway.
Boy That's what she wanted.
Man Who was the father?
Boy I wish I knew, but I don't.
Man (hitting the Boy) It was you. You did it!
Boy I didn't.
Man Do you know her last wish?

The Man cuts the Boy's face. The Boy escapes.

- Man** Is there any place you can hide?

20.

The Father and the Woman.

- Father** Will you marry me?

Woman If you want me to.
Father You are the perfect woman.
Woman Am I really?
Father You are every man's dream.
Woman I believe I am.
Father Will you wait for me to get a divorce?
Woman If you'd like me to.
Father Of course I do. Please give me one now.
Woman What?
Father A blowjob.
Woman Not again, I'd tried to the other day.
Father I know, but this is the perfect time.
Woman I won't.
Father What do you mean? I have a hard on.
Woman At long last!
Father Take it in your mouth.
Woman I said no.
Father Fucking hell. What am I to do? You're hypnotized, you're supposed to obey.
Woman I've got different instructions.
Father By whom?
Woman Your wife.
Father You are my wife.
Woman Where's the ring?
Father I'll buy you one.
Woman When?
Father Tomorrow.
Woman I'll wait 'til tomorrow.

21.

Mother and Son.

Mother Where were you last night?
Boy At the hospital.
Mother Why on earth does everyone go to the hospital?
Boy It's the injuries, mom.
Mother What happened to your face?
Boy D'you like my brand-new scars?
Mother You had them done? Did you pay a lot? I don't like them. You should have done something with your hair instead.
Boy Like what?
Mother I don't know, you could have the color touched.
Boy I'm tired.
Mother Were you up to something?
Boy Sort of.
Mother Are you after something?
Boy What are you after?

Mother I wouldn't mind a trip abroad.
Boy I'll take you. It's a promise.
Mother Is it? Plane tickets? When do we leave?
Boy Soon, mama. It'll be soon.

22.

The Man holding a gun poses in front of the mirror imitating characters from gangster films.

23.

The Boy is sitting. The Girl enters.

Girl ...I missed you, you know.
Boy (puzzled) Me too. How are you getting on?
Girl I don't feel any pain.
Boy What does it feel like?
Girl Like I've been thrown into the sea.
Boy Is that better than in here?
Girl It's not bad.
Boy Are you sure?
Girl I'm not sure of anything, neither are you.
Boy Do you think I want to die?
Girl Of course you do. You must.
Boy What should I do then? Should I pray for it?
Girl Just ask for it, and it will happen.

24.

The Mother has been tied naked with a rope by the Man. Handcuffs are hanging loose from her wrist.

Mother You're not a bad lover after all.
Man Is that all?
Mother What else?
Man Would you mind elaborating?
Mother Okay, you're a magnificent stud, to say the least.
Man Am I?
Mother How should I know?
Man We've just had sex. You're still naked.
Mother Did you rape me?
Man I forced you to do me some rather unusual stuff.
Mother Unusual for whom?
Man For you I suppose.

Mother I see. Did I like it?
Man You were over the moon.
Mother I'll tell my husband to repeat the treat.
Man I wouldn't count on it.
Mother Why?
Man It's a matter of technique.
Mother They all have to start from somewhere.
Man Your husband has no time for new beginnings.
Mother Who let you in? Are you a salesman?
Man Sort of.
Mother What are you selling?
Man What do you need?
Mother Right. I see, you're the pizza boy.

25.

The Woman, lost in thought, disembowels the fish.

Boy I'm hungry... Are you listening? I'm starving, what's for dinner?
Woman Do you love me?
Boy What? Give us some dinner here.

26.

The Father and the Girl.

Father Who opened the door for you?
Girl Nobody.
Father Was it open?
Girl No.
Father I see...
Girl How are you?
Father As usual. What's that thing in your arms?
Girl My baby.
Father Was it an easy birth?
Girl Don't you worry about me.
Father Well, I do.
Girl I can take care of myself.
Father You look fine.
Girl I'm happy.
Father Is it really you?
Girl Sure enough.
Father Is it dead?
Girl He was stillborn.
Father Is it a boy?
Girl I'll give him your name.
Father How sweet of you, but you should ask your mama first.

Girl No need to.
Father Who are you really?
Girl Don't close the door. I've just come in.
Father What are you selling?
Girl I need you.
Father Are you the nurse?
Girl I think of you.
Father I need a bedpan right away. Go and fetch it now! I'm taking a piss!

27.

The Man enters holding a suitcase.

Woman You live here, right?
Man I'm tired of coming to and fro.
Woman Are you family?
Man I'm the family assassin.
Woman (pissed) Does this mean I have to wait on you too?
Man I guess.
Woman (cross) Jolly well then.
Man I only eat prunes. I suffer from my intestines. My hemorrhoids are killing me.
Woman Actually, except fish, I hardly know how to cook at all.
Man At your age?
Woman What about my age?
Man Nothing.
Woman Nothing at all. **(Seductively)** Are you going to kill me too?
Man We're all going to die.
Woman Is that a fact? I just knew it.
Man How would you like your death?
Woman I want to be eaten by dogs. I'm scared of dogs. When I was a child a wild dog bit my leg. Since then I am in a cold sweat every time I see a dog. Are you going to fix that?
Man What? The "dog" thing? I haven't done this before, but I'm going to give it a try.

The Woman unzips his trousers.

Man I'm scared of dogs myself too. Just a tiny bit.

28.

Mother and Son

Boy Why do you wear handcuffs?
Mother I've been raped.
Boy Did you report it?
Mother To whom?

Boy The police.
Mother Your father says that they're not to be trusted.
Boy He is a wise man; he is a Buddha.
Mother By far he is the kindest father I've ever known.
Boy I'm lucky.
Mother We all are.
Boy Did you enjoy it?
Mother What?
Boy Your rape.
Mother Whom do you think you're talking to?
Boy Come on, I'm old enough.
Mother You'll always be my baby.
Boy Did you enjoy it?
Mother Oh yes, it saved my life.
Boy Why?
Mother The salesman forgot that he wanted to do me in.
Boy Which salesman?
Mother My rapist.
Boy What did he sell?
Mother They usually sell books, but he didn't mention it.
Boy Odd that.
Mother Mm.
Boy Will he be back?
Mother I bet you.

29.

The Man is putting out a cigarette in the Father's face. The Father is suffering.

Father What do you want? I'll give you anything you ask for... Why don't you speak?... I'm not afraid to die.
Man You are, it's only natural. Don't feel embarrassed, I've watched quite a few people die. Before you, I mean.
Father I have a life to live. There're plenty of things I haven't done yet. I want to meet new people, I want to travel around the world.
Man Why should you? It's the same old thing everywhere.
Father Anywhere but here.
Man Can you afford such a trip?
Father I used to have a lot of money, but I gave it all away. I had to lend it to my daughter. It's rather impossible to get it back. What do you reckon?

The Man returns the money to the Father.

Man Here is your money.

The Father is counting the money.

Father Where did you get it?

Man You gave it to your daughter, she gave it to her brother, he gave it to me, but it doesn't make any difference whatsoever. Now it gets back to you.
Father You're a decent man.
Man The question is, am I a good man?
Father Definitely.
Man Thank you. Off you go.

The Man cuts Father's throat.

30.

The Girl brings some food to the Woman.

Girl You should eat.
Woman (suspicious) I eat nothing. I do nothing unless I am asked to.
Girl Fine, I'm asking you to. You have to eat.

The Woman sits down and eats.

Girl Any good?
Woman Fucking hell! Fancy some?
Girl Not really.
Woman Have some, do.
Girl I don't really need to eat.
Woman That's why you have a divine body like this. Do you drink a lot of water?
Girl Not really.
Woman But you should.
Girl I hardly ever have a drop.
Woman Not even juice?
Girl I don't drink anything.
Woman Anything at all? How come you're still alive? Right, it just occurred to me, you are...

31.

The Mother and the Boy after Father's funeral.

Mother It was a lovely funeral. He'd like it that way... Isn't it a pity not to be able to see your own funeral?
Boy I don't give a shit.
Mother What's left then? Just the two of us. Mother and son together.
Boy Don't you worry; I'm not going to leave you.
Mother First they kill your sister, then they kill my man and the police do nothing about it. Useless! I'd like to have a gun and push it into the murderer's asshole and pull the trigger. Right into his skinny asshole.
Boy You can't bring them back.
Mother Right...

Boy So why all the fuss?
Mother To pay him justice.
Boy Say you love me.
Mother Why do all of you people ask me the same thing?
Boy Say it.
Mother What the fuck does it mean? What is love supposed to mean?
Boy It's the right feeling at the right time. Go on; tell me, do you love me?
Mother Well, then, I love you.
Boy Say it clear.
Mother I – love - you.

The room turns into seashore. It's a sunny day.

Mother Why are you pulling a [long] face?

Boy (taking his clothes off) I'm going swimming.

32.

The Girl wearing a swimsuit arrives at the beach with the Father.

Father It's nice here.
Girl I've told you, haven't I?
Father I haven't got my bathing suit with me though.
Girl Go in naked.
Father Is it allowed?
Girl Why not? Come on; take off your clothes.

The Father hesitates.

Girl Are you ashamed?
Father Shouldn't be?
Girl I've seen you naked before.
Father Me? When?
Girl As a child.
Father I don't remember.
Girl You didn't know it. One night my bro woke me up and we tiptoed to your room. The door was left half opened. You were fucking mom.
Father Fuck!
Girl You were at it like animals in heat.
Father From behind?
Girl From the front.
Father Better this way.
Girl Your erect meat went in and out her hairy fissure. You were drenched in sweat, your skin was glistening, you were barking like there was no tomorrow, till you had your fill. It was the ugliest thing I'd ever seen.
Father I'm so sorry.
Girl Don't make such a fuss. That's the nature of sex.

33.

Man and the mangled Boy.

Man May I have this dance?

The Man drags the Boy to dance. The Boy can't stand on his feet.

Man You're not a fine dancer. Look at me. Music follows you everywhere. Dead or alive.

Boy Am I?

Man Not yet.

Boy Where am I?

Man You're almost there. They say when you're dying you see your entire life passing in front of you. Bullshit.

Boy I can't see...

Man Bullshit. I told you.

Boy I can't stand it any more.

Man Are you in a hurry, kid?

Boy Mercy me!

Man Bye, kid.

Boy This isn't the end.

The Man takes his gun out and shoots the Boy.

Man But?

The Man keeps dancing.

34.

The Woman and the Mother dressed in black.

Mother I'm half a person... You won't ask why?

Woman Why?

Mother My whole family has been wiped away. Now I have to start from scratch. Some nights when I go to bed I want to wake up for a short while before I get to sleep. Only when I get laid I stop thinking. What else can I do? I'll try to find a hunk. It won't be easy at my age, but thank God I can afford to spend some money on this.

Woman Where did you get it?

Mother My husband left it to me. **(Crying)** The banknotes were drenched in blood. **(She stops crying)**. Luckily enough, the bank changed them with some crisp new ones.

The Mother takes the banknotes out and examines them against the light. The Woman rushes to take it. The Mother resists her.

Woman Lovely... Let me have a look...
Mother It's all mine.
Woman Selfish bitch.
Mother (slapping the Woman) How dare you.
Woman Bloody cow.
Mother What?
Woman I said you're a bloody cow.
Mother Bring me a glass of fresh juice immediately.
Woman You know where the kitchen is.
Mother Aren't you hypnotized anymore?
Woman What do you reckon?
Mother You're obviously not.
Woman Well, of course I am. I'm just teasing you.
Mother I was out of breath. My knees turned into jelly.
Woman Would you like some ice in your juice?

35.

At the beach. The Boy and the Girl with her baby in her arms.

Boy It's lovely here.
Girl Go on, swim.
Boy I am not a good swimmer. Come along.
Girl I am expecting someone.
Boy Whom?
Girl I'm waiting for someone.
Boy Whose baby is it?
Girl Mine.
Boy And?
Girl It's mine.
Boy Is dad here?
Girl He is swimming. Over there. Can you see him?
Boy He is far away. I'll go and find him.
Girl Be careful.
Boy Of what?
Girl You can't swim.
Boy What should I be careful of? Not to get drowned?

36.

Mother has been tied naked with a rope by the Man. From her wrist a pair of handcuffs is hanging loose.

Mother I see you have a soft spot for ropes. Can you untie me now though?

Man Aren't you comfortable?

Mother Would you like me to tie you so that you can enjoy it yourself?

The Man unties the Mother.

Mother Have you ever being fucked?

Man Now watch it.

Mother It's not such a big deal.

Man For you and your pussy of a husband maybe it's not.

Mother You spread some lube on your arse, you take a deep breath and there you have it! You suffer a little, but then it's not that bad.

Man Do you know that by very recent experience?

Mother Have you ever tried it before?

Man I said no.

Mother Then you can't be certain.

Man I don't want to be certain.

Mother You're such a prude. Come on; let's give it a try.

Man No way.

Mother What are you afraid of? You're the man, I am the woman. Let's just change roles for a bit.

Man You're nuts.

Mother If you were a real man you wouldn't be afraid of anything.

Man What are you implying? Are you aware of who you're talking to? (**He takes his gun out**) Are you aware of the number of people I have done in?

Mother Yourself? What are you able to kill?

Man Your husband, your daughter, your son and a couple of dozen more.

Mother Is it yourself you're talking about? (**About the gun**) May I have a look?

Mother grabs the gun.

Man What are you staring at? It's a gun alright.

Mother points it at him.

Mother On your knees.

The Mother goes behind the Man.

Man Don't...Please don't, not there, I've got hemorrhoids.

Mother They say that ice cubes with oil helps. Also avoid spicy food. And get yourself to a gym, you sit around all day.

Mother presses the gun deeper.

Man Not there!

Mother Don't you like it? Why not?

Man Don't! Don't!

Mother I can't quite get it though, you should have liked it.

Mother shoots.

37.**The Father and the Boy**

- Father** Tell me, my boy, have I been a good father?
Boy You've been a great father.
Father Well... I only tried to do my best.
Boy You did it. You were the invisible man.
Father Was I?
Boy There were times I felt like an orphan. I discovered life on my own.
Father We all do.
Boy I suppose, but in my case there was no one to guide me somehow.
Father There is no instruction manual when it comes to life.
Boy I knew from the very beginning what life was all about. I had no illusions.
Father Let me show you how to swim.
Boy I'm all grown up Papa.
Father Please, let me be some sort of a father to you.

The Father puts his hand under the Boy's belly.

- Father** Move your legs. Now your hands, child.
Boy Don't leave me.
Father I won't.
Boy It's deep in here. I can't touch bottom.
Father I know.

38.**The Man is diving in the sea, the Girl approaches him.**

- Girl** What took you so long?
Man Sorry.
Girl I was waiting for you.
Man How come you knew we'd meet again?
Girl There're things left undone, aren't there?
Man You sound like a woman in love.
Girl Do you like me this way?
Man You still have a beautiful neck.
Girl You still have those hairy hands.
Man What about my hands?
Girl They're masculine. I feel I've always known those hands.
Man You know, I kept my promise. I killed them all.
Girl Most of them.
Man Are you satisfied?
Girl Oh, yes.
Man Will you marry me now?

Girl There is no need to.
Man Will you love me then?
Girl Isn't it enough for you that we are together at this very moment?

39.

The Mother and the Woman.

Mother Do you know why the mirrors are covered?... Do you know why the mirrors are covered?... The people left behind won't have to see the grief on their own face.
Woman You and me, you mean.
Mother You don't count... I made up my mind, I'm going to live in an inn by the seaside, throughout the year. My mother did the same when my father died. So did my granny.
Woman Is it a family tradition?
Mother One has to value one's past. You're coming with me.
Woman But...
Mother There is no but. I must have someone to take care of me. Servants cost a fortune.
Woman They do have a certain smell.
Mother Like animals.
Woman Worse than dogs. Don't you ever hire one.
Mother Oh, I won't. I'll have you.
Woman I have other plans.
Mother What plans?

The Woman grabs Mother's neck. The Mother struggles to release herself until she loses her breath. The Woman seizes the money and looks at it against the light.

40.

The Father and the Girl.

Father All my life I've been hoping for an end. It never occurred to me there would be any extras.
Girl Didn't you ever think about life after death?
Father Not even once.
Girl Strange.
Father Is this life after death?
Girl I believe so.
Father It very much resembles everything from the past. Shall it always be like this? Why should there be continuity? I didn't want to take this risk.
Girl What sort of risk?
Father Continuity.

Mother comes.

Father Our gorgeous family together.

Mother (to the Girl) We have to talk. Don't get cross with me.

Girl I'm not cross.

Mother Is this our baby?

Girl It is lucky. It was stillborn.

Mother Now that you've become a mother yourself, you'll feel for me more.

Girl There is no need to be afraid of anything here. You are the same person.

Now that we are here we just have to live here. No reason to be upset.

Mother Do you love me?

41.**The Woman at home.**

Woman I wake up everyday, I go to the toilet, I brush my teeth, brush my hair, make coffee, wait for them to return, turn on the TV., start tidying up, sweep the floor, mop the floor, do the dusting, the laundry, water the plants, go to the market, buy some fish, go home, scratch the scales off the skin, remove the intestines, wash it carefully, pour lemon juice all over it, let it soak for a few minutes, add salt, pepper, oil it, wait for them to return, dip it into flour, then into beaten eggs, then into crushed breadcrumbs, and brown both sides with butter, till it gets a nice reddish tint, I turn on the TV, take the laundry out, lay the clothes on the washing line, wait for them to come, count the money, check if it's still clean, look at it against the light, turn off the TV, switch off the lights...

42.**In the dark.**

Father Is there a way out of here?

Mother The front door.

Father I can't see it. There're too many doors.

Mother Where?

Father Right before your nose, but which one is the front?

Lights are on.

Father: What?

Mother: ...I miss her.

Father: ...?

Mother: My girlfriend.

Father: To tell you the truth, she was a gentle woman.

Mother: She was my dearest.

Girl: You didn't prove it to her lately.

Mother: How do you know?

Boy: She was the hottest machine I've ever met.

Mother: Was she?
Man: I can assure you. We've just had sex and she said that I was the best partner she's ever had.
Boy: What a liar.
Father: She didn't obey me at all.
Mother: She obeyed my every whim.
Man: Me too, actually.
Girl: It looks like nostalgia.
Boy: Let's bring her here.
Mother: And if she gets back to herself on her way up here?
Man: We can afford the risk.
Father: That's no big deal; I can hypnotize her again.
Boy: Yes, let's bring her back.
Father: What?
Boy: Are you deaf? Let's bring her back.
Father: Are we back?
Mother: Why do you ask me?
Father: Is it a sort of game?
Mother: Oh, shut up.
Man: I've got an idea. Let's do it the way she'd like best.
Father: To bring her back?
Mother: Is it a secret?

The Woman appears. The Man whispers into their ears. They are gradually transformed into dogs, wild ones, and approach the terrified Woman.

Woman: Go away! Go! No. Shit no. No!

In the rhythm of a children's song they bite the Woman to death.

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