

BEGA

Half a century later...beer?

MARCO

What were you expecting? Champagne and caviar?

BEGA

No... Of course not...

MARCO

I wasn't expecting a night in.

MARCO

It's your Mum...

BEGA

Don't answer!

MARCO

But it might be important, Bega.

BEGA

Marco, it WON'T be important!

MARCO

I'll answer, It'll just be a minute.

MADRE

Bega...?

MARCO

Hi there, 'Mother', what a surprise!

MADRE

Oh! Marco!

MARCO

What can I do for you at this time of night?

MADRE

Dear, are you having your dinner?

MARCO

No, don't worry, we haven't even got round to it.

MADRE

Dear me... Well tomorrow we'll toast to that. 12 o'clock at my place.

BEGA

Like hell we will ...!

MARCO

Well, we were thinking of going out for a bit. Bega wanted to have a picnic.

MADRE

Picnic!

MARCO

I mentioned it to you earlier, 'Mother'...

MADRE

Oh dear! Stop calling me 'Mother', Marco! For God's sake! Wonderful! A picnic! I've got the perfect dress... you'll love it.

MARCO

You'll have to talk it through with your daughter, ok?

MADRE

Listen. Do you know what, Marco? Yesterday I met Lorenzo. Hey! He could come along too!

MARCO

I don't have a problem with that.

MADRE

You'll see - what a gentleman!

MARCO

Hey Bega, how about lunch tomorrow with your Mother?

MARCO

Almost forgot, I've got something for you!

MADRE

Ah! The osteopath?

MARCO

Exactly! He brought me a bag of dried chestnuts.

MADRE

Chestnuts?

MARCO

Yes! Dried chestnuts!

MADRE

Oh! Dried Chestnuts! Oh but Marco  
Of course, how kind? Dried chestnuts, yes...!

MARCO

Well, I'll hand you over to Bega and you can  
make the arrangements.

MADRE

See you, handsome!

MARCO

Ciao, hugs and kisses.

BEGA

Mum...

MADRE

Darling,

MADRE

Marco told me that tomorrow we're having a  
picnic.

BEGA

Mum! I was standing right next to him and he  
didn't say that. Stop making things up.

MADRE

But doesn't it sound like a great plan?

BEGA

No, tomorrow it's our anniversary, we've already got plans. Mum, you're annoying me. Speak to Marco.

MADRE

Marco? Marco?

MARCO

We can eat with your Mother and then get on with our own plans.

BEGA

Marco, please don't. She's already messing things.

MADRE

Bega, sweetie, You're boring.

MARCO

Fuck!

MARCO

Tuna!

MALINA

Marco? Marco, are you there? Did you manage to cancel the dinner with that friend of yours?

VECINA

Hey guys open the door! It's me. Bega! Bega?

MALINA

Marco? Marco, are you there? Come on, I'll buy you a drink!

VECINA  
Is anybody there?

MALINA  
Marco?

MALINA  
What's all that racket?

BEGA  
Neighbour!

VECINA  
Hi there! And Marco?

BEGA  
In the bathroom.

VECINA  
Follow me! I've got something to tell you!

VECINA  
Hi there, friend! How are things? You are NOT  
going to believe it! She kissed me!

BEGA  
With or without tongue?

VECINA  
Wiiiiittthhhhh...

BEGA  
And are you happy?

VECINA

Very! Seriously, Marco, it seemed like I had some kind of functional relationship aimed at inflating the ego of the lesbian world.

BEGA

So what tactic did you use?

VECINA

Do nothing. Nothing at all! I don't text, I only answer her texts. I don't call her, I only answer her calls.

VECINA

Aw...

BEGA

And does it work?

MARCO

Today she French kissed her.

BEGA

Be careful, you're going to cut yourself...!

VECINA

She treats me nicely and wants to include me in all her plans...and she likes to get up early.

BEGA

But you're no early bird, you know!

VECINA

If I get up early, I get bags.

MARCO

Hey! Neighbour!

VECINA

I prefer sleeping 9 hours and waking up with this face. The thing is that she wants to make lots of plans with me. On Sunday we're doing a photo shoot.

BEGA

Really?

VECINA

Yes

BEGA

Excellent!

VECINA

Bega! If Carmen happens to ask you on Monday in the office, tell her that we had dinner together.

BEGA

Perfect and what did I order?

VECINA

Grilled fish.

BEGA

Now I understand why I'm so hungry! And was the fish served with?

VECINA

With a lot of wine!

MARCO

That explains all your mood swings.

VECINA

Okay, Marco. Listen.

VECINA

I've been getting to know this girl for a month. We've taken things VERY slowly but I really want her to be my girlfriend. Do you know what I mean?

VECINA

I've finally made a mental connection with someone. We understand each other, we laugh together, and we have fun together.

VECINA

Yesterday, we were talking all night long and you know how I hate to talk after 3 o'clock in the morning. 3 o'clock in the morning is the threshold hour between making sense and talking complete gibberish. But, we talked, we talked all night long and she destroyed my theory, do you get it?

BEGA

You're crazy!

VECINA

Possibly...I think I lost touch with reality at 2:59am but what happened was that time stood still. The clocks stopped at exactly 2:59am. And from then on, words began to flow like the spring rain...

VECINA

That's what happened. Time stopped!

VECINA

She's told me that she's lived in four different countries and that she misses the city where she's been living these past three years...

VECINA

It's just that we don't belong to any place, and no city will ever be our own. But we'll surround ourselves with beautiful things, we'll all gaze upon them until we're overwhelmed...and we'll feel a sense of nostalgia towards the beauty of the past.

VECINA

Your boyfriend has always struck me as a bit strange, but I like him. Come here!

VECINA

So as I was saying... that's why we're meeting on Sunday to take pictures, to stop time at the thousandth of a second of our choosing and then look back on these moments together with positive nostalgia. What do you think Bega? Do you like her? Because I like her a lot and it's important that you like her a lot, I think you'll get on really well together. You have lots of things in common. Do you know what? She's Aries like you... and she loves lemons. She's spontaneous, impulsive...then out of the blue, she gets a craving, on the spur of the moment. Bega are you listening?

BEGA

Of course I'm listening.

VECINA

She's going to be my girlfriend, right?

BEGA

She is your girlfriend.

VECINA

What's wrong? You seem sad. Do you want to come up to my place? We can open a bottle of wine and swap bathtubs.

BEGA

Yes, the water's already cold in this one.

VECINA

And we can spend all night talking about things that make us laugh out loud.

BEGA

Laugh so hard that our sides split.

VECINA

Like that trip, do you remember? We knew we'd never experience another trip quite like that one...because it could never be as much fun.

BEGA

What a trip...

VECINA

Never forget those moments.

BEGA

I don't remember to forget them ... we loved  
each other even before we met.

BEGA

That's enough already!