Silvio

(offstage)

Hey, gorgeous. Turn around. Ta-dah! Woo! Be honest, c'mon. Don't hold back. Say what you gotta say. You know what you want to know.

Gately What?

Silvio

Did you ever ask yourself what's the secret of my incredible sexual power over woman?

Gately

No

Silvio

Why the nurses can't resist me?

Gately

The nurses hate you, Silvio.

Silvio

Ah. That's what they would have you believe.

Gately

They got me believin' it.

Silvio

You wanna hear a great line for picking up girls?

Gately

Sure

Silvio

Now this works best for catholic girls.

Gately

OK

Silvio

You tell 'em you're a priest

Gately

A priest.

Silvio

OK. Look we'll set the scene. This is what they call settin' the scene. Now you're sitting there. At the table. What can this table be?

Gately

A table.

Silvio

OK. We'll make it a table. We're in a nightclub.

Gately

Can it be a single's joint?

Silvio

Gatley, you been to a singles joint?

Gately

No.

Silvio

Ok, I tell you what. In settin' the scene we'll make this a single's joint.

Gately

Where you learn all this?

Silvio

Once I hung around a USO group that was re-hersing. A Bob Hope thing. I tell you something Gately...

Gately

Yeah.

Silvio

Never be afraid to mingle in the arts.

Gately All right.

Silvio

OK, so we're in a single's joint. And you're a broad. Everybody's being hustled. It's a fucking meat market!

Gately

What's a nice girl like me doing in a place like this?

Silvio

That's it! That's it! That's what's called getting' into character!

Gately Am I lonely?

Silvio
Are you lonely? A face like that. What do you think?

Gately

I'm lonely, huh?

Silvio

That's right. You're like ugly catholic girls all over the world. You're like a different breed. You sit there being ugly, ruining life for everybody else.

Gately

Are you lonely?

Silvio

Gately! I'm a priest! Of course I'm lonely. I'm one of the loneliest, horniest guys on the face of the earth. Ok, you're sitting there by yourself. So I come in; and I'm very depressed and I'm very mysterious. So I come in.

Gately Hey! Look! It's a priest!

Silvio What are you doing?

Gately I'm saying hello.

Silvio Gately, you don't know I'm a priest.

Gately
But aren't you wearing your priest shirt?

Silvio No. I'm being casual.

Gately
But don't you have your thing on?

Silvio My thing?

Gately
The collar thing

Silvio No.

Gately
But you're being mysterious?

Silvio Very.

Gately
Are you being scary?

Silvio
Gately, I don't want to scare them. I'm being mysterious.

Gately Like Dracula?

Silvio

Gately, you don't listen to me anymore. That worries me Gately. Now, we're gonna do it again. You're sitting there by yourself. You're lonely. Ok, so I come in, and I'm very depressed. Do I come in and look around. No, you don't se me yet, Gately. I see you. I come over and say "Pardon me, miss, is this seat taken?"

Gately Yes, it is.

> Silvio What?

Gately Buzz off.

Silvio
No. You don't say nothing.

Gately
You want me to call the management?

Silvio
That's not the way it goes.

Gately
Male chauvinist pig.

Silvio Gately

Gately What?

Silvio
Don't give me such a hard time, Ok?

Gately
I just want to make it realistic.

Silvio

Ok. But you're making it too realistic. We'll do it again. So you're sitting there by yourself, lonely. I come in very depressed. So I come in. I'm looking around. I'm checking things out. You don't see me yet, Gately – I see you and I come over and I say "

Gately Well, why not.

Silvio Mind if I sit down?

Gately Well, why not?

Silvio
May I order you another drink?

Gately Well sure.

Silvio

Bartender. Two more of the same. Do you mind if I smoke?

Gately

Well, why not? (Silvio takes out two cigarettes, puts them in his mouth, lights them both. He offers her one) I don't want it.

Silvio Why not? Gately
You've slobbered all over it.

Silvio No I haven't.

Gately You've had it in your mouth.

Silvio

Gately, take the fucking cigarette. (Gately takes the cigarette) I hope you won't think I'm being too personal but... what's your name?

Gately Woodruff Gately

> Silvio Woodruff?

Gately Woodruff.

Silvio
I've never know a girl named Woodruff before.

Gately You've never know a girl like me.

Silvio

If I seem a little nervous, it's because I don't usually come to this kind of place. Have you ever come to this kind of lace?

Gately I'm Baptist.

Silvio You must be very lonely.

Gately Why, because I'm Baptist?

Silvio (putting his hand on Gately's leg) Can I tell you something very personal?

Gately Ok, but don't get smutty.

Silvio

I just wanted to tell you that I don't get much of a chance to meet beautiful women. You see, actually I'm a priest.

Gately

Well, I don't get much of a chance to meet men. You see, actually, I'm a lesbian.

Silvio

(angrily) That's it! Forget it, Gately.

Gately I'm sorry.

Silvio

No! No! No! Lets just forget it. I try to teach you something! Give you the benefit of my experience, my life! You know what you are? I'll tell you what you are. A fucking ingrate, that's what you are. Why'd you make her a lesbian?

Gately I don't know.

Silvio

Not even a priest could pick up a lesbian.

Gately
A lesbian could!

Silvio

Who cares! That does me no good. I can't become a lesbian every time I wanna get laid.

Gately No.

Silvio You see my point.

Gately You could become a transvestite.

Silvio What?

Gately Wear women's clothes.

Silvio
But I don't want to wear women's clothes.

Gately
I know you don't.

Silvio I know I don't too.

Gately
You want to wear a kilt.

Silvio That's right.

Gately Which is nearly women's clothes.

Silvio

Don't you like women? Don't you? Don't you? This is a big fuckin' waste. I'll tell you something buddy from now on, you're on your own. And I wish you luck because at the rate you're going you may never get laid. (Silvio exits then returns) Gately, I'm gonna get you laid.

Gately You are.

Silvio
What kink of friend would I be if I didn't want you to get laid?

Gately I don't know.

Silvio

Not much of a friend, Gately. We're gonna go out and we're not coming back till we get you laid.

Gately could be a long night.