# **Silver Linings Playbook**

# TIFFANY

Listen, I haven't dated since before my marriage so I don't really remember how this works

# **PAT**

**How What Works** 

# **TIFFANY**

I saw the way you where looking at me Pat, you felt it, I felt it. Don't lie, we're not liars like they are. I live in the addition around the back of my parents house which is completely separate from the house, so there is no chance of them walking in on us. I hate the fact that you wore a football jersey to dinner because I hate football but you can fuck me if you turn the lights off ok?

# **PAT**

How are old are you?

### **TIFFANY**

Old enough to have a marriage and to not wind up in a mental hospital

#### **PAT**

Look, I think you're pretty but I'm married ok

# **TIFFANY**

So am I

#### **PAT**

No...that's confusing he's dead

### **TIFFANY**

Look, I want to clarify something; I just want to be friends. Why are you giving me such a hard time?

#### PAT

I'm not giving you a hard time

#### **TIFFANY**

I don't know how to act with you when you do this shit

#### **PAT**

I'm not giving you a hard time, you wanna share this?

#### **TIFFANY**

Why did you order Raisin Bran?

### **PAT**

Why did you order tea?

# **TIFFANY**

Because you ordered Raisin Bran

### **PAT**

I ordered Raisin Bran because I didn't want there to be any mistaking it for a date.

## **TIFFANY**

It can still be a date if you order Raisin Bran.

### **PAT**

It's not a date. So how's your thing going? Dancing thing?

### **TIFFANY**

It's good. How's your restraining order thing?

# **PAT**

I wouldn't actually call the restraining order my thing. But getting back with Nikki is and I think I'm doing pretty well... except for a minor incident at the doctor's office.

### **TIFFANY**

And the so called incident with the weight

## **PAT**

Yeah, that was the thing with my parents. I wish I could just explain it all in a letter to Nikki, because it was minor. And I could just explain it and let her know I'm not out of control. I'm not. I'm actually... I'm doing really well.

# **TIFFANY**

I can get a letter to Nikki. I see her sometimes with my sister.

#### **PAT**

It would be so amazing if you could get a letter to Nikki from me.

### **TIFFANY**

I'd have to hide it from Veronica. She's not into breaking the law which this letter would definitely be doing.

# **PAT**

But you would do it?

## **TIFFANY**

I'd have to be careful. I'm already on thin ice with my family. You should hear how I lost my job.

### **PAT**

How'd you lose your job?

# **TIFFANY**

By having sex with everybody in the office

# **PAT**

Everybody?

# **TIFFANY**

I was very depressed after Tommy died. It was a lot of people.

## **PAT**

We don't have to talk about it.

### **TIFFANY**

Thanks.

## **PAT**

How many were there?

## **TIFFANY**

Eleven

## **PAT**

Wow.

# **TIFFANY**

I know.

## **PAT**

I'm not going to talk about it anymore.

# **TIFFANY**

Okay.

PAT

Can I ask you one more question? Were there any women?

# **TIFFANY**

Yes.

**PAT** 

What was that like?

# **TIFFANY**

Hot.

**PAT** 

Jesus Christ. Was it like older women? A sexy teacher who wants to seduce you?

# **TIFFANY**

Made me sit on her lap and do things. Yeah.

# **PAT**

What? You sat on her lap?

# **TIFFANY**

Mm hmm.

#### **PAT**

She told you what to do?

# **TIFFANY**

Mm hmm.

# **PAT**

Oh my god. Nikki hated when I talked like this. It made me feel like such a perv. Maybe we should change the subject.

# **TIFFANY**

I don't mind it.

## **PAT**

You don't do you?

### **TIFFANY**

No. But then people were getting in fights in the parking lot at work and in the bathroom. And the boss called me into his office and tried to pin it all on me. So I accused him of harassment and then they fired me. Sent me home and put me on some meds.

# **PAT**

I get it. The song that was playing when my wife was in the shower with the history teacher-

### **TIFFANY**

I heard about that.

#### **PAT**

It was my wedding song. When I hear it I go kinda crazy. Sometimes I hear it when it's not even playing.

# **TIFFANY**

Wow.

## **PAT**

Yeah, so they put me on medication which I feel ashamed of.

## **TIFFANY**

Yeah.

#### PAT

So I know.

### **TIFFANY**

Mmm hmm.

## **PAT**

I just gotta get a strategy you know?

## **TIFFANY**

Me too.

# **PAT**

We better get back to the letter.

## **TIFFANY**

Yeah, let's get back to the letter.

# **PAT**

What if you told Nikki while Veronica was in the bathroom?

## **TIFFANY**

Yes! Yes, that could work. I love that.

### **PAT**

Oh my god. I'm gonna go write the letter right now.

# **TIFFANY**

Wait- Can I at least finish my tea?

### **PAT**

Wait. What?

## **TIFFANY**

My tea. Can I finish it?

## **PAT**

Wait a minute. Did Veronica tell Nikki about our dinner? Why would she do that? Was it a test?

### **TIFFANY**

I kinda got that feeling. Yeah.

# **PAT**

God damn it. I knew it. It was a test. How did I do? I think I did pretty well.

### **TIFFANY**

Yeah, she said you were cool basically.

#### PAT

Basically? Was I some percentage not cool?

### **TIFFANY**

No, she said you were cool but you know...

# **PAT**

No. I don't know.

### **TIFFANY**

Sort of how you are... its fine... relax.

### **PAT**

What do you mean? How am I? What does that mean?

## **TIFFANY**

Sort of like me.

# **PAT**

Sort of like you? I hope to God she didn't tell Nikki that.

# **TIFFANY**

Why?

## **PAT**

Because it... it's just not right... lumping you and I together it's... I mean it's just wrong. And Nikki wouldn't like that. Especially after all the shit you just told me.

### **TIFFANY**

You think that I'm crazier than you?

## **PAT**

Because... well, we're different.

## **TIFFANY**

Oh my God. Ugh, you're killing me. You know what? Forget I offered to help you. Forget the entire fucking idea, because that must have been fucking crazy because I am so much crazier than you.

#### **PAT**

Keep your voice down.

### **TIFFANY**

I'm just the crazy slut with a dead husband. Hahahahaha. Forget it.

#### PAT

Shut the fuck up.

### **TIFFANY**

Fuck you. You shut the fuck up.

#### **PAT**

Tiffany. Hey, Tiffany!