

SONIA. ^{Start} Well, I was briefly in the bathroom, you couldn't wait?

VANYA. I don't know. The coffee was made, you weren't there, I'm capable of pouring coffee into a cup.

SONIA. But I like bringing you coffee in the morning.

VANYA. Fine. Here, take this cup and give me that one.

SONIA. Alright. (*Vanya hands her his coffee and takes the coffee she's brought.*)

SONIA. Now I feel better.

VANYA. I'm glad. (*Sonia sits. They both look out, staring in the distance.*)

SONIA. Has the blue heron been at the pond yet this morning?

VANYA. Not yet. Or it was here before I was.

SONIA. It'll probably come later. It's such a beautiful bird.

VANYA. Yes, it is. (*Sips the coffee.*) I'm afraid the other cup tasted better.

SONIA. Well it's the same coffee.

VANYA. Well maybe I put in more milk than you did. Maybe that's why it tastes better.

SONIA. Don't I usually put in the right amount of milk?

VANYA. Well, yes. I don't usually think about it. It's just that I was drinking one coffee, and liking it, and then suddenly there's a different cup of coffee, and I'm liking it slightly less. It's no big deal. I'm just making pleasant conversation.

SONIA. That's not making pleasant conversation. It's first thing in the morning, and you're implying I don't do anything right.

VANYA. I didn't say that.

SONIA. Yes, you did.

VANYA. I didn't.

SONIA. Well you implied it.

VANYA. Forget it! The coffee's delicious, I love it!

SONIA. Oh, for God's sake. Here take the original cup back.

VANYA. No, no, it's not that different. I'm sorry I said anything. (*Sonia forces him to take his original coffee cup back, the one he preferred. She takes the second cup back herself.*)

SONIA. I mean I have two pleasant moments every day in my fucking life, and one of them is bringing you coffee.

VANYA. Sonia, I'm sorry I said anything. Really the two cups are almost identical. I should have said nothing.

SONIA. Alright.

VANYA. I'm sorry. Really. *end*

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