

A PARTNER IN CRIME

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Pages: 3

Characters:

Robert, 25+

Lori, 25+

Synopsis:

Robert, an art thief, is on the run from the police when he discovers his new girlfriend is more supportive than expected.

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INT. LORI'S HOUSE - DAY

Lori sits quietly in the living room. She hears a noise from the back room and it scares her. She stands to investigate. Suddenly Robert appears from the bedroom hallway, startling Lori.

LORI

Oh my God! Where the hell did you come from?

ROBERT

I climbed through the kitchen window.

LORI

What?

Robert looks through the window and closes the blinds.

ROBERT

Did you pack a bag for me?

LORI

Yes, it's in the bedroom.

(pause)

Are you going to tell me what's going on?

ROBERT

I promise to tell you everything later.

LORI

No. You're not going anywhere until you tell me.

ROBERT

Alright.

He pulls her close to him and looks into her eyes.

ROBERT

First, let me tell you, I've never lied to you about ...how I feel about you ...but I haven't been completely honest about what I do.

LORI

I know.

ROBERT

You know?

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LORI

I'm not an idiot, Robert. I can tell when someone is lying to me.

ROBERT

I'm sorry, Lori.

LORI

So, let's have it. What's going on?

ROBERT

I work in ...exports ...imports. Mostly art.

LORI

Robert.

ROBERT

I'm an art collector.

LORI

Stop it!

ROBERT

I'm a thief.

LORI

A thief?

ROBERT

Yes. I steal art, antiques, high-valued items...

LORI

Is this what this is all about? You stole something?

ROBERT

Yeah.

(beat)

But, this time I screwed up. I'm sure the police are their way here.

LORI

To my house? Why would they come to my house?

ROBERT

I used your security pass.

LORI

You stole something from the gallery? The gallery I work at?

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ROBERT

Yes. It was supposed to be easy. No one was supposed to even notice it was gone. The cops are going to come here and ask you a lot of questions.

LORI

What did you steal?

ROBERT

Does that really matter, right now?

LORI

Yes. It matters a lot.

ROBERT

I stole the Benelli Statue.

LORI

The Benelli statue? Oh my God. That's worth over 10 million dollars.

She begins to pace back and forth.

ROBERT

Look, let me just grab my stuff and I'll go. Please don't tell them I was here. Just tell them...

LORI

I'm going with you.

ROBERT

What?

LORI

That was my boss's favorite item. I can't think of a better way to say "screw you" to that bastard.

(beat)

Just let me get some things together.

She runs to the bedroom, then peers around the corner...

LORI

This is going to be fun!

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END