

JOE

You haven't started writing.

BECK

I'm still waiting for that surge of inspiration I was promised.

JOE

You you seem like you're doing a little better.

BECK

Maybe it's relative.

JOE

I caught Paco trying to steal a gun from the register today.

BECK

What? Why?

JOE

Ron put Claudia in the hospital. So Paco, I tried talking to him. I think I just made him angrier.

BECK

Well, you got your girlfriend locked up in a cage. A P.I.'s snooping around, and you're worried about your neighbor's kid.

JOE

I know, it's pretty dumb.

BECK

No. It's sweet. Joe. I know there is a good heart in there somewhere. Joe?

JOE

Yeah?

BECK

I have to pee.

JOE

Oh, no, no, tell me you're not using Henry Pelham's cartography as a seat cover.

BECK

Sorry, I couldn't find any Dan Brown.

JOE

All right, I'll get out of here.

BECK

Can I can I just, please use the bathroom? Please, this is dehumanizing. You can trust me. Thank you. Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you. Joe -

JOE

I can't. I'm sorry.

BECK

Joe. Joe, please! -

JOE

I'll be back in a little bit.

BECK

I'm so stupid. This whole time, I was wrong. How did I not see this? -

JOE

If you see this place as a prison, that's all you're going to be, a prisoner. If you see it as an opportunity for introspection, and growth, voilÃ , we have a future together. You say you're a writer. I fell in love with a writer. Maybe you should be

writing.

BECK

Well, what now, Joe? You're going to go to my panties?  
Or do you need to cut someone up before you can get  
hard?