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PARK  
It could cause his stomach to herniate into his chest.

Andrews looks to Olivia and she doesn't disappoint.

OLIVIA  
Not if we cinch up the lower esophageal sphincter with a fundoplasty.

Impressed, Andrews turns to Jordan.

ANDREWS  
What about you, Dr. Allen? See any problems?

JORDAN  
Just that I'm jealous I didn't think of it first.

Andrews smiles, feeling Olivia's victory as his own.

On Olivia, basking in her first win.

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INT. SHAUN AND LEA'S APARTMENT - NIGHT (NIGHT 2)

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Shaun and Lea, with her parents MIKE and PAM (60s), sit around the dinner table, the meal already in progress. An unopened BOTTLE OF WINE stands at the ready. They eat in awkward silence for a long while. Until...

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SHAUN  
This is going very well.

*About on Two*

*Awkward smiles.*

PAM  
Lea tells you you're a doctor. What's your specialty?

SHAUN  
I am a surgeon. But we are not all arrogant. Though many of us are.

*2 Mike  
PAM  
Allen*

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MIKE

What do you think of vaccines?  
Because I have to say, they worry  
me.

Lea tenses as Shaun considers his answer.

SHAUN

They don't worry me.

PAM

Really? We've read a lot of stuff.  
Especially after Lea told us about  
you.

LEA

Vaccines don't cause autism, Mom.  
Want to talk about religion now?

Now Shaun's confused.

SHAUN

That was on the list of things *not*  
to talk about.

MIKE

Lea made you a list?

LEA

Dad.

PAM

Honestly, Lea, if you think we're  
so impossible to talk to, I'm not  
sure why we're even here?

SHAUN

Hemorrhoid surgery.

PAM

Excuse me?

SHAUN

I removed a hemorrhoid from a patient  
with terminal cancer. He only had a  
few months to live, and nothing  
would change that. But the surgery  
*did* make him more comfortable.

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SHAUN (CONT'D)

I suggest we treat this evening like hemorrhoid surgery.

Silence. Mike suddenly bursts out with a laugh.

MIKE

Good point.

(to Lea)

Don't give him lists, let him talk.

I like this guy.

PAM

(pouring wine)

To hemorrhoid surgery...

← END

Lea looks stunned as Mike pats Shaun on the back (as much as Shaun can tolerate) and Pam pours everyone a GLASS, as the evening takes a surprisingly positive turn.

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INT. HOTEL LOBBY BAR - NIGHT

MUSIC plays, as we find Lim and Claire drinking. And the empty glasses in front of them (more Lim than Claire) tells us they've been here for awhile. It's quiet for a beat. Finally...

LIM  
I went.  
(off Claire's look)  
Obviously you're going to consider yourself glued to my side until I tell you what you want to hear so... I went to a psychiatrist.

CLAIRE  
That's great.

LIM  
After I crashed my bike... which could have happened to anyone... I decided to take it as a wake-up call just in case. So, I bought that ugly-ass car and I started seeing a therapist.

CLAIRE  
I am so relieved to hear --

LIM  
Once.

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