

## Punchline

Steve on the phone. Look Randy don't be a prick alright? The lady is crazy about me, she is bringing the main guy to see me tonight, so screw the bad rent man. I'm going to be rich! I'm going to be discovered tonight, no alright that is it, I can't get you \$600 dollars..Where the fuck am I gonna get \$600 dollars? So sell the fucking stereo I don't care. Look if you are gonna lock me out of my own house do me a favor feed the birds that are outside the window. Give them some of your food, that is what I do. Randy don't, oh fuck you!

Steve- You want to buy some jokes?

Lila- Sell some

Steve-Oh you've gotten that good have you?

Lila- Back, sell some back.

Steve- Oh they didn't work?

Lila- No not for me they didn't.

Steve- Well a jokes a joke babe, you just bought from the wrong guy. Hey Pedro! Give me something awful. Are you having lunch?

Lila- Sure..

Steve- Spaghetti special? Sounds awful enough for me. One for the lady.

Lila- do you recognize me?

Steve- of course, why?

Lila- uh, I don't know, you aren't usually this nice.

Steve- Well I'll tell you a secret about me I get jealous when I see somebody who's got it up on stage, I can't help it.

Lila- Me?

Steve- Yeah you! With 5 minutes of the right material you'd be fucking unbelievable, you've got that thing. People love you on stage. You know that.

Lila- You mean it?

Steve- All you need is the right gags, so...

Lila- You know I try to write my own jokes, like last night-

Steve- What are we here for but to help each other out huh?

Lila- You'd be willing to do this for me?

Steve- Sure yes, Ycah where are you from? Jersey? Jersey?

Lila- Yeah I'm from Jersey.

Steve- Okay you got any kids or anything?

Lila- Yeah I've got 3 kids.

Steve- Three kids ok, great..

Lila- My feeling is that-

Steve- What did this Arnold guy charge you?

Lila- \$500 dollars.

Steve- Okay alright, this is the right ball park..now Jersey, 3 kids, there is something there..

Lila- Look I couldn't pay you right away. I mean I could pay you, I could pay you. I just couldn't pay you right away...

Steve-Uhm, how long does spaghetti take?

Lila- If I could find Arnold I, I could pay you right away.

Steve- Forget it, it's alright.

Lila- Look I spent my vacation money my husband's and I.

Steve- Well you got your priorities then don't you? Spend your money on your vacation and don't worry about jokes. It's not that important to you.

Lila- It's very important to me.

Steve- What do you need it for?

Lila- What do you need it for?

Steve- Ask my shrink, Jez, Jez..

Lila- You didn't mean it did you?

Steve- Yes I did.

Lila- That I've got something?

Steve- That I would sell you jokes. Do you want to buy some?

Lila- Not from you, you piece of crap! How do you get off treating people like this all the time? I mean I don't see your name up in lights over there. So what if you are funny? If that is all you are then so what! Jesus no wonder you are there every night. You've got no where else to go that's it!

Steve- Pedro hold the spaghetti, bring this lady that testicle salad! Ball buster special you know the one with the fork!

Lila- If their yours I'll need a pair of tweezers.

Steve- Ha, Huh, Ha, Huh!

Lila- I thought you'd like that, everything is a great big joke to you.

Steve- Lady nothing is a joke to me, that is why I do stand up comedy and that's why you don't. Yours is a \$1.50 (goes out of restaurant, leaves)

Lila- Hey! What do you mean?

Steve- Oh lady please.

Lila- No you said nothing was a joke to you. Now what do you mean by that?

Steve- Lady I have to be somewhere and I am running late, so you'll pardon me-

Lila- You don't like women is that it?

Steve- Oh Jesus Christ!

Lila- Oh I see you'll help Mr. Balls-

Steve- Mr. Balls has guts.

Lila- And I don't?

Steve- You've got gall not guts you stand up you tell dirty jokes, what does that have to do with you? Are you a sex pot? Give me a break, you're a jersey housewife with snot nose kids a car that wont start.. you tell me about that! That's what takes guts and that's what you don't have. Am I making myself clear?

Lila- I got laughs..

Steve- Fine then take them and go home.

Lila- I want to learn!

Steve- Lady it takes every night, 6 clubs a night all night. It takes working stag parties, and Elks club banquets where you open for a fucking accordion player.

Lila- I don't have time for that.

Steve- Well how about right now? I am going to Queens do you want to learn something?

Lila- Are you serious?

Steve- Yeah I'm serious are you?

Lila- Uh, uh..

Steve- I guess not..

Lila- I am cooking for a dinner party!

Steve- Ladies and gentleman I rest my case..