

W I just meant
 M I mean you can see it, you can, you're definitely
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 M there's a bump.
 W A bump. I've got a bump.

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W According to the Internet, my uterus is the size of a grapefruit.
 Why do they use food to explain everything?
 And why do they call the baby 'baby'. Not 'your baby'?

'Baby is the size of a lentil.'
 'Baby is the size of a kidney bean.'
 'A peanut.'
 'An olive.'

M Are you hungry?
 W Famished.
 M I'll make you breakfast.
 W I want bacon and washing powder.
 M You can have bacon.
 W Close your eyes.
 M What have you done?
 W We have a nursery.
 M Green?
 W We don't want pink or blue and yellow is so

M you're covered.
 W I've painted little trees.
 M I brought you chilli chocolate.
 W You're my hero.
 M Is it crazy I've been looking into local schools?
 W Do you want to know? Boy or girl? Or should / we
 M should it be a surprise on the day?
 W Not that the day won't be special enough as it is.
 M I'm too curious to wait.
 W Me too.
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 I was thinking.
 It's silly.
 What if I don't
 what if I can't
 love it?
 What if I look in its eyes and I let it grip my little finger
 and I hold it in my arms and I don't feel a thing? That
 happens doesn't it?

M Not to us.
 W I'm so terrified. I have no idea how I'm going to be.
 M You're going to be a wonderful mum.
 W You don't know that.
 M Yes I do.

W Thank you for being my person. For putting up with me when I'm

we should get married. I know that's old fashioned or whatever. I know you're against the idea.

I love you. I don't say that enough.

M You look beautiful.

W Not fat?

M Fat and beautiful.

W Going to get bigger.

M I expect so.

W Much.

M Yes.

W I'll be a planet.

So
you know.
Brace yourself.

M Okay.

W Ouch.

M What is it?

W Oh.

Oh no.

M Blood.

W Not this. Not to us.

M Hospital. Now.

W I can't bear this.

M I'll wait outside.

W No.
I need you.

M Okay.

W At least I can start smoking again.

M Oh sweetheart.
Shit.

W You were right. We shouldn't have got excited.

M Don't be silly.

W We shouldn't have told anyone. We knew this could happen.

Do you have change for the coffee machine?

M Give me the keys.

W I'm not an invalid.

M What do you want me to do?

W It's for the best probably isn't it? Would have completely taken over our lives. So much time and money, so much that could go wrong. End up

sleepless with worry or with our heads in the sand. The world. Who'd want to have a child now? We should be happy. This is a relief it is it is it is we should take a deep breath and give a huge sigh of thank fuck for that because we're not going to add to any of it, we're not going to add yet one more lost person into this crowded little world so good for us. Let's crack open some champagne. Let's fly somewhere. Spend our money on us before the global economy completely implodes. When the riots start let's join in. Let's smash something. Start some fires. If we see an electric car with a baby on board sticker let's ram it off the road the fucking hypocrites. The damage they're doing.

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It's a relief for you I suppose.

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M Why would you say that?

W Just
you never quite seemed as

M that's not true.

W It wasn't as necessary or

M it was my idea.

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W Yeah. I'm just trying to

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M get some sleep.

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I'm here.

I heard you get up, can I sit with you?

You fell asleep. I brought you in here.

Goodnight.

Good morning.

Goodnight.

I made some tea.

I'll see you after work.

Have you been sat there all day?

It's getting dark.

It's getting light.

Come to bed.

You fell asleep.

I woke up and you were gone.

You've not said a word to me for days.

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Baby.

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We need to get on with things.

W Please don't.

M It feels like you're punishing me.