

Love, Billy Bunny

a short play by
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CAST OF CHARACTERS:

ROBERT
JEAN

*Scene: The living room of ROBERT's apartment.
There are several chairs, and a door leading to
the hallway outside.*

*ROBERT and JEAN are present. JEAN is holding a
large overstuffed plush rabbit and a pistol,
which she is aiming at the rabbit's head.*

ROBERT
Put that down!

JEAN
Stay back!

ROBERT
Put it down!

JEAN
Put what down? The rabbit or the gun?

ROBERT
...Both?

JEAN
No.

ROBERT
Look. Jean. Nothing's happened yet. We can still walk away
from this. *(He takes a step towards her.)*

JEAN
Stay back!

ROBERT
Look...

JEAN
Stay back! I swear to God I'll put a bullet through his
little bunny brain!

ROBERT
Look. You know and I know that you would never do a thing
like that.

JEAN

Wouldn't I? Just watch, Robert.

ROBERT

If you're trying to make an impression on me you've managed. Now, you have my attention.

JEAN

Good.

ROBERT

But. I admit I'm a little distracted by the fact that Billy Bunny's got a gun pointed at his head right now. That makes me anxious, and prevents me from really listening to what you're saying. If you set him down, and put the gun away, then I can really focus on whatever point you're trying to make.

JEAN

No deal. Nice try, though.

ROBERT

Jean, come on. Why are you doing this?

JEAN

As if you don't know.

ROBERT

I *don't* know!

JEAN

Well, you *should* know.

ROBERT

Well, I *don't*. So, explain.

JEAN

I think you've got an unhealthy fixation on Billy Bunny.

ROBERT

I've got an unhealthy fixation? You're the one standing there with a gun to his head!

JEAN

See, I'm trying to make a point, that's all. This is just a stuffed rabbit.

ROBERT

I know.

JEAN

It's not like it's a real person.

ROBERT

I know! Jeez, do you think I'm stupid?

JEAN

...So you don't have any emotional investment in Billy?

ROBERT

...No.

JEAN

So you won't mind if I decorate the room with his stuffing, then? *(She makes as if to fire the gun into Billy's head.)*

ROBERT

No! Wait, stop, don't!

JEAN

Uh-hunh.

ROBERT

I just don't to see you get into any trouble.

JEAN

I'm sure.

ROBERT

You know, firing a loaded weapon... You could get into real trouble.

JEAN

Okay, okay. What if I just rip Billy's head off?

ROBERT

No!

JEAN

No shooting, no running afoul of the law.

ROBERT

You wouldn't do that!

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