

EMMA

(explodes)  
Okay! That is ENOUGH, Dad!

PENNY

(to BRIAN)  
Honey.

MARSH

I get to say when it's enough, Emma!

EMMA

Not in my house, you don't!

Brian grabs his coat and  
heads outside.

JILL

(grabs her coat, following  
him outside)  
Brian.

PENNY

(turning to MARSH as she  
gets to the door)  
Why?

She grabs her coat and  
follows them out.

CATE heads to the bedroom  
and closes the door, leaving  
EMMA and MARSH alone.

EMMA

Why are you being so hard on him?

MARSH

Because he needs a swift kick in the ass and god knows your mother  
won't do it.

EMMA

So you have to pick this weekend? And you have to do it in front  
of his girlfriend?

MARSH

He needs to grow up. You aren't there every day, Emma. We gave  
him every opportunity -

EMMA

- And what about support?

MARSH

You think we needed it when we were his age? Why does he have to act like such a goddamn child?

EMMA

You know, maybe that's part of the problem. That you didn't get it. Maybe that's why you're...

MARSH

Why I'm what?

EMMA

I don't know, but Brian needs you. You get that, right? He doesn't need you to fix him, he just needs you to be there.

MARSH

Well, somebody needs to fix him.

EMMA

Oh, and so you have to be the one to do it?

MARSH

I'm not going to sit here and be patronized.

EMMA

We're adults! We're all supposed to be enjoying each other's company at this point! We could be friends! Other people are actually friends with their parents. We're supposed to be having fun!

MARSH

You think this is fun? You think this is enjoyable?

EMMA

You won't let it be!

MARSH

Oh, come on -

EMMA

- No, you come on, Dad! You just called him a failure! Didn't he just get a promotion?

MARSH

He's not even a manager!

EMMA

It's still a promotion!

MARSH

He's a "Specialist." Whatever that is.

EMMA

Why is it so hard for you to be proud of us?

MARSH

(realizes where this is  
going)

I don't want to get into this.

EMMA

You started it.

MARSH

I mean it.

EMMA

You realize that the only reason we didn't tell everybody weeks ago was because I was worried about what you'd say?

MARSH

Well.

EMMA

Well, what?

MARSH

You do realize that we aren't biologically related to this baby. You do realize that?

EMMA

Why does that matter? You're going to be grandparents.

MARSH

It's Cate's and some moron from Seattle who makes money jacking it into a jar!

EMMA

He's a donor! He's not - Okay. We wanted a family and we're making one. And this is how we have to do it. If we could get each other pregnant, we would -

(This makes Marsh extremely  
uncomfortable.)

EMMA

- But we can't. So this is how we have to do things. And I hate to break it to you, Dad, but there are plenty of straight people who have to do this, too. What's the fucking problem?

MARSH

I don't appreciate the language and -

EMMA

- And I don't appreciate being told that this life I've built doesn't count!

MARSH

Now you're starting to sound like your brother.

EMMA

We're having a baby! How is that not enough?

MARSH

Your brother could be having one, too.

EMMA

You need to let that go.

MARSH

That's my grandchild those idiots plan on killing! And you think that's none of my business?

EMMA

So theirs is your business but ours isn't?

MARSH

That's not what I said.

EMMA

That's exactly what you said! Why don't we count?

PENNY quietly enters  
unnoticed.

MARSH

You're not going to back me into this corner, Emma! Your mother does this and -

EMMA

- Why don't I count, Dad?

MARSH

You count.

EMMA

No, I don't. Why do I make you so angry?

MARSH

I'm not angry. I'm disappointed.

PENNY goes to say something.  
Doesn't.