

- HARRY A week isn't going to kill us.
She continues to surf.
Can we at least talk about the possibility
- JO Ah, *The Boy Who Gave Birth to his Twin*?
- HARRY You've seen that one.
- JO Shock docs make me happy – don't you want to know what's going on in the world?
- HARRY Tell me what's going on in the world.
- JO A fetus can pitch its placenta on a little child's lower intestine.
- HARRY Why do I need to know that?
- JO It's enhanced our understanding of fetuses. And what better night to polish up on that specialist subject?
- HARRY Yes.
- JO Yes. So?
- HARRY So?
- JO So, watch it with me. And afterwards, there's a documentary for you, about the British Museum.
- HARRY D'you know I've never been to the British Museum.
- JO It was made for you.
- HARRY What's it like?
- JO British.
- HARRY You've never been either.
- JO Let's go some time.
- HARRY When?
- JO Let's go tomorrow.
- HARRY If we're not at the hospital.

- JO Sure.
She continues to watch the TV.
- HARRY Would there be any point in asking you to turn that off?
- JO I'm gonna do my CV in a minute.
- HARRY Jo!
- JO Okay okay. Okay.
JO turns off the TV.
Okay.
- HARRY Now then.
- JO Now then.
- HARRY Wait – have they texted?
- JO Not
JO checks her phone.
No.
- HARRY Because three centimetres is not the same / as two centimetres.
- JO You said.
- HARRY So which is it?
- JO I don't know, it's not my vagina.
- HARRY Cervix. It's your sister's though, aren't you getting sympathy pangs?
- JO Two.
- HARRY Alright so it looks like we're in for the long haul.
- JO Hm strap in.
- HARRY Now then.

JO has been studying her arm.

JO Did you ever notice these tiny white spots on my arm? They totally freak me out. I keep thinking I'm getting skin cancer or something

HARRY You're not getting skin cancer

JO It's a condition called.
Well it has a name.

The skin loses its pigment and if overexposed to sunlight the effect can be carcinogenic.

HARRY I said keep off those websites

JO Imagine being encased in the thing that's killing you. Skin's the biggest organ of the human body. Once you get it, it spreads at an uncontrollable rate.

HARRY Your paranoia spreads at an uncontrollable rate.

JO I might have stage three melanoma.

HARRY You have no symptoms.

JO (*Darkly.*) Exactly.

JO begins to fiddle with the remote again.

HARRY I think a good grounding in statistics would really enhance your life.

JO goes to turn the telly on again. HARRY takes the remote out of her hand and looks at her.

Why don't we just try it, for a week?

JO Do you think I'd make a good teacher?

HARRY A thinking week

JO Because I *am* very encouraging

HARRY When we both *think* about what we want

JO Well I'm starting to *think* I could really be a good teacher.

HARRY I think you'd make a brilliant teacher but it's not what you want to do

JO Maybe it is. Maybe I just haven't done it. Don't leave me.

HARRY We're not leaving each other. That's not what I'm saying.

JO It is.

HARRY I'm saying there are certain things I can't

JO I know

HARRY Take, again

JO I know

HARRY And I need you to be sure.

JO Ha! Rob told me the best chat-up line today, it's for boys so you have to do it to your students.

HARRY I don't want to chat anyone up.

JO Wait, wait, so a guy walks into a nightclub right and

HARRY JO

JO A GUY walks into a nightclub right and

HARRY This is stupid

JO And he says to a girl, 'excuse me,'

HARRY Please stop it

JO He says 'excuse me, but do you know if there's a vet in the house?' And the girl says 'no', like, 'why?'

JO is bending both her arms with the hands facing outwards, pulling an arm flex, resembling two swans.

and he says
'cos these swans are siiiickkkk'.
Because they look like swans

HARRY (*Mildly amused.*) Very good

JO You can have that. In your week off. You can use that.

HARRY I'm not sure I've got the swans for it.

JO There's a girl outside.

HARRY You want me to try it *now*?

JO No I think you know her.

HARRY Where?

He looks out.

It's Kerry

JO I know it's Kerry

HARRY How long's she been standing there?

JO Couple of minutes.

HARRY Why didn't you say so?

JO Dunno

HARRY Why didn't you say it was Kerry before?

JO I wasn't sure it was Kerry before.

HARRY Does she want to come in?

JO Well she hasn't knocked so let's assume not.

HARRY Shall I open the door?

JO She hasn't knocked!

HARRY No. But she's here.

JO Yeah but she might change her mind

HARRY What's she doing here? It's

He looks at his watch.

JO She's your friend.

HARRY She's our friend.

JO Let's just pretend we haven't seen her, she might go away.

HARRY Right this is stupid.

HARRY goes to open the door.

JO Wait!

HARRY ignores her and goes to let her in.

HARRY (*Off.*) Kerry!