

**Scenes M/F**

**DRAMA**

*X couple want  
to announce  
marriage to  
kids*

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

JACKIE is sitting at a table waiting for her ex-husband, LUKE. He enters.

LUKE

Hi.

JACKIE

Hi.

LUKE

How are you?

JACKIE

Thanks for coming.

LUKE

You're welcome. You look pretty.

JACKIE

Thanks. Listen...

LUKE

I'm glad you called because there's something I want to tell you, too.

JACKIE

Oh. Okay. Well you go first.

LUKE

I'm going to ask Isabel to marry me.

JACKIE

Wow.

LUKE

I know you don't think much of her.

JACKIE

Oh.

LUKE

She's a special person.

JACKIE

Uh huh.

LUKE

She really is, Jackie. And I  
...

JACKIE

Why are you telling me this?

LUKE

I want you to tell me that it's  
okay.

JACKIE

You don't need my approval.

LUKE

The kids do.

JACKIE

Ah.

WAITER

Good evening. Would you and  
your wife care to look at a  
menu?

JACKIE

I'm not his wife.

LUKE

No thank you. Would you get me  
a drink though please?  
Whatever this is. (indicates  
Jackie's drink) I think it's  
going to be hard for the kids  
and I was hoping that we could  
tell them together.

JACKIE

And that'll make it easier for  
the kids. Or for you? Because  
you know you can't just decide  
to be a we and us whenever it's  
convenient for you.

LUKE

We are...

JACKIE

No. We are over. We are over.

LUKE

We are still their parents for the next hundred years.

JACKIE

Yeah. Why. Just tell me why you think this marriage is going to work and ours didn't.

LUKE

Well what did you want to talk to me about?

JACKIE

Nothing. I think we have quite enough to deal with, just with your news.