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Side 6- Robert, Gloria

ROBERT Oh really? Why's that?

GLORIA It's very rare for an American woman to give presents! But you said, "No!" when I wanted to go into my own bedroom! So you're not a baby. It takes a man to say, "No!".

ROBERT Oh. I see. I understand. Yes, well...a man...yes, I think...

GLORIA You know, people wonder why America is such a great country.

ROBERT Yes, people do wonder.

GLORIA Well, it's quite simply because American men stay babies all their lives.

ROBERT As long as that?

GLORIA The Kinsey report proved it.

ROBERT Did it?

GLORIA In my country the woman is stronger than the man because he always says yes to her. And so by demanding more everyday, she can make the man work his way to total exhaustion.

ROBERT They don't mind?

GLORIA Oh, they mind. But one little mutiny and we're off to Reno. You can get a divorce in six weeks- for mental cruelty. And that means alimony.

ROBERT What happens if they don't pay it?

GLORIA Jail.

ROBERT Jail?

GLORIA So to avoid going to jail, they pay up and to pay up, they have to work. They have to produce. This ensures a stable economy. And that's why America is such a great country.

ROBERT Although he could produce, while in jail, baskets, espadrilles, little rubber like things..... Poor Bernard.

GLORIA Why?

ROBERT You're going to marry him.

GLORIA Never.

ROBERT Why not?

GLORIA He's a Frenchman. He's grown up. He might argue with me, and I couldn't take that. I shall just have to find an American, But I shall always love Bernard.

ROBERT So you'll marry an American but you won't necessarily love him?

GLORIA How could I? How can you love a man who spends his whole time working?

ROBERT It's not impossible.

GLORIA Oh! Say that again.

ROBERT What?

GLORIA 'It's not impossible.'

ROBERT Why?

GLORIA Your lips are just so cute when you say that.

ROBERT Really?

GLORIA Truly... Say it again.

ROBERT What was it again?

GLORIA It's not impossible.

ROBERT It's not impossible.

GLORIA Oh, your mouth really is a gorgeous shape. (*she comes closer*)

ROBERT Really?

GLORIA Yes...say it again!

ROBERT Again?

GLORIA Yes, please. For me.

ROBERT It's not impossible.

GLORIA There they go again. It's like a tiny flower opening.

ROBERT You're embarrassing me.

GLORIA No, no, honestly... Say have you ever kissed an American woman?

ROBERT No! No, in Aix the chance never really came up.

GLORIA That's a great shame. We Americans are like the French, really. Very rational about love.

ROBERT Really?

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