

THE DEAD GIRL

Rosetta

Tommy, just come and get me... Who the fuck was that? Go fuck yourself, Tommy!!!

Melora

Excuse me. Excuse me.

Rosetta

Do I know you?

Melora

I'm sorry, I just wanted, I spoke to the woman inside the office. I was wondering if I could see your room. **(Gives her money)**.....Did you know the girl who used to live here?

Rosetta

Yeah, I knew her.

Melora

Were you friends?

Rosetta

We lived together.

Melora

It was a nice picture.

Rosetta

Yeah, she liked that one.

Melora

What kind of things do they make you do?

Rosetta

What?

Melora

The men who pay you.

Rosetta

You're asking me what I do on a date?

Melora

When you get paid.

Rosetta

Yeah, that's a date...I don't know, whatever they want. Head, usually.

Melora

How much do they pay you?

Rosetta

You a reporter? You want to do a story on me? ...Let's see, my mom's dead. She was a junkie. She got shot in the head in a parking lot. My dad, I never knew him. I got two half brothers and grew up in East L.A. Now I live here and suck off assholes for cash. What do you think about that?

Melora

I think it's sad.

Rosetta

Yeah, well---

Melora

Did Krista ever tell you where she came from?

Rosetta

A La Walla, Washington. Some fucking place, I don't remember.

Melora

Did she tell you why she ran away?

Rosetta

She probably wasn't happy.

Melora

Did she tell you why?

Rosetta

Other than her stepfather sticking his dick in her, I don't think so....She probably thought, "Hey man, fuck it, if I'm gonna do it, I might as well get paid."Fucking mother was too much of a dishrag to do anything about it you know, typical....The husband or the kids, they always choose the husband.

Melora

Did she tell you that?

Rosetta

What?

Melora

That her mother knew and---chose him?

Rosetta

She probably liked it, right? Took some of the load off. Like having one of your kids help with the laundry.....Your her mom?

Melora

I didn't know.

Rosetta

Okay.

Melora

I had no idea.

Rosetta

Well now you know.....This has been really fun and all but I gotta get to work.

Melora

Maybe I can take you to lunch.

Rosetta

I don't think so.

Melora

I'll pay you.