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(EXCERPT)

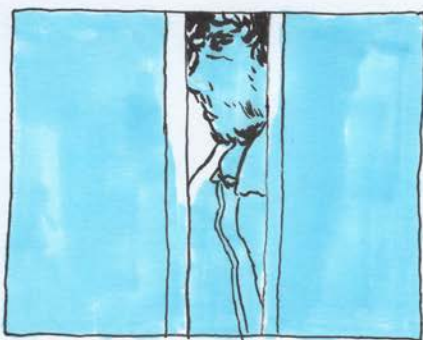








you know, I don't care what you do with yourself. It's only that you are the one person who has any authority over David. I don't. And he hasn't got any mother. Do you really think it's a good idea for him to see you staggering home drunk all the time? He knows where you go.



All of Ellen's prophecies about me came true. She said there would come a time when nothing and nobody would be able to rule me. Not even my father.



It was after Joey. The incident with Joey had shaken me profoundly, made me secretive and cruel. I couldn't discuss it with anyone, admit it to myself.



Soon it was I who came staggering home late at night.

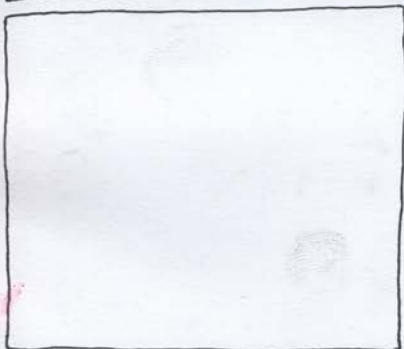
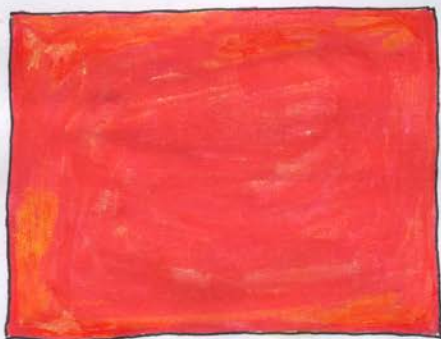
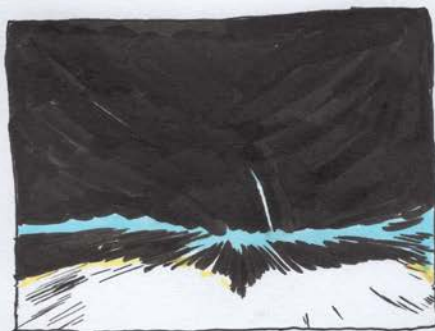
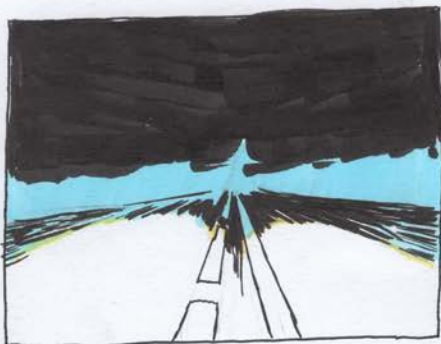


My poor father was baffled and afraid. He was unable to believe there could be anything wrong between us.



One night, the car I was driving smashed up. It was my fault.







I screamed for my mom



How do you feel?



I was drunk



You all could have been killed.



I'm sorry



Don't be sorry  
Just be careful

You're all  
I've got.  
be careful

