

**SCENE FIVE****Bill and Rosie**

*The Courtyard*

*The Courtyard is ready for the wedding. ROSIE is putting the final touches to the arrangements. BILL comes on, holding a note from SOPHIE.*

**BILL**

Rosie—

**ROSIE**

Go and wait with the others, till I've finished.

**BILL**

*(holding out the note)*

I got this note from Sophie. She wanted me to give her away, but now she's changed her mind. I'm confused. I don't know where I am, I don't know who I am. I just came here for a wedding. I'm Sophie's dad.

**ROSIE**

Whoa! You need a conversation with Donna.

**BILL**

Yes, I'll go tell her now —

**ROSIE**

You'll do no such thing! Sophie's getting married in five minutes! Take a pew and button it.

**BILL**

*(Sitting)*

Will it be all right for me to be here?

**ROSIE**

Oh for God's sake Bill!

**BILL**

Well to tell you the truth—I was dreading that walk down the aisle. I might come across as the intrepid traveller, but I go all wobbly at the thought of a wedding.

**ROSIE**

Tell me about it.

**BILL**

Marriage. Children. Responsibility.

*(HE shakes his head)*

I'm a writer, I made up my mind long ago, I walk a lone path.