

Senior Division, Dramatic Script

Sara Tilley, St. John's

White or Red (an excerpt)

TONY Please, *signora*. You / take.

LEAH / It's too much.

TONY *Un regalo, si*. Gift.

LEAH Give it to your wife, Tony.

(TONY laughs, then LEAH laughs)

TONY Souvenir. You go to bed, you put on skin and dream of me. *Si*?

LEAH No, Tony.

(TONY takes LEAH's hand and kisses the back of it)

TONY *Signora!* // You have good dreams, safe dreams.

LEAH // Tony.

(TONY turns LEAH's hand over and kisses the palm of it. She tries to pull away and he tickles her wrist)

TONY Cute dreams for good American *turista*.

LEAH Canadian. Stop it.

TONY You are *sola*. Is how I know you are *un americana*.

LEAH Canadian. Barely Canadian, even, I'm from Newfoundland.

TONY Finland?

(LEAH tries to get away. TONY pulls her closer and holds her hand to his chest)

LEAH I'm not alone.

TONY Feel the beats of this heart.

LEAH I feel them.