

Script Cherry, ROLE: AARON, 17-19, MALE

WILD BILL PERRY Male, 18 years old. Wild Bill is Aaron's roommate at Brown. Good-natured, lively, a hard partyer, more worldly and experienced than Aaron, Wild Bill grows increasingly impressed with Aaron's complicated love life. Not a stereotypical jock, suave, intelligent, and sexy. He could be from a New England prep school or from New Jersey, the mid-west or Texas. Not a California type...

LEAD STORY LINE: 17 year old AARON MILTON is a talented engineering student and even more talented artist who's pushed by his overbearing mother SUSAN into accepting a scholarship to an intensive engineering curriculum at Brown University. Intrigued by a fellow art student, LINDA SUMMERS, a woman in her 30s with a 14 year old daughter, BETH, Aaron becomes involved in their very messy personal lives and discovers to his surprise that it's okay to flout rules that stifle, but that doesn't mean forgoing personal responsibility...

INT. PERKINS 209 - NIGHT

Aaron and WILD BILL "decorate" their room. Aaron hangs an antique poster of Harry Houdini wrapped in dozens of chains.

WILD BILL  
Chicks or dicks?

AARON  
What?

WILD BILL  
You into chicks or dicks?

AARON  
(defensive)  
Chicks.

WILD BILL  
I'm just fucking with you. Look,  
you know the doorknob deal?

AARON  
No.

Wild Bill sips a Bass Ale as he dusts off a bust of Freud.

WILD BILL  
Say, you've got someone in the room  
and you don't want to be disturbed.  
The doorknob's the deal. Just put a  
(MORE)

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WILD BILL (cont'd)  
necktie around it and the other  
person knows - ocupado - come back  
later.

AARON  
What about a note on the board?

WILD BILL  
What, "Busy fucking?"

AARON  
No, it could be code. I don't  
know... "Zebra. Tango. Niner."

WILD BILL  
Fuck, don't tell me I'm gonna have  
to break in a virgin.

AARON  
What? I'm ... I'm not a virgin.

WILD BILL  
Man, we gotta get that new car  
smell off you before you scare off  
all the chicks.

AARON  
I'M NOT A VIRGIN.

WILD BILL  
Okay. Don't get freaky on me. Just  
remember the necktie. Trust me. My  
brother's a junior at Columbia and  
this is what works.

AARON  
Fine.

Aaron pulls the Eagle Scout shrine from under his bed, takes  
a deep breath and rips the backing off with a loud crack.

AARON (cont'd)  
How about this?

He pulls out his metal-encrusted Eagle Scout scarf.

WILD BILL  
Pretty perverse, Milton. Good  
choice.