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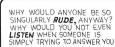




YE -- YES, I AM AWARE THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE PLUMBING --

HE DIDN'T EVEN EXTEND ME THE COURTESY OF A GREETING... HE JUST BEGAN BY YELLING AT ME...

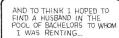






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BESIDES, I KNOW WHAT I CHARGE IS VERY COMPETITIVE.
I'VE LIVED IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD MY WHOLE LIFE, AND I ONLY EVER AS:
I NEED TO GET BY...













I'VE LIVED MY WHOLE LIFE AFRAID OF PEOPLE ...

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AS IT TURNED OUT, IT WASN'T THE PLUMBER (OR ANYONE ELSE, FOR THAT MATTER) LETTING HIMSELF IN, IT WAS JUST THE GUY DOWNSTAIRS YELLING AT SOMEONE ON THE PHONE...HIS GIRTERIEND AGAIN, PROBABLY...
THING IS, THE MORE I.
HEARD HIS VOICE, THE MORE IT SEEMED TO REMIND ME OF SOMEONE, LIKE WHEN AN ACTOR REMINDS YOU OF ONE OF YOUR FRIENDS, BUT YOU CAN'T THINK WHO...





