

BLONDIE

by CHIC YOUNG

HERB--MY BEST FRIEND! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY HE'S MAD AT ME

TOOTSIE SAYS YOU MADE VERY MEAN REMARKS ABOUT HIS NEW SPORT COAT

SO THAT'S IT

?

HIS COAT IS REALLY A HORRIBLE LOOKING THING, BUT I SURE HATE TO LOSE HIS FRIENDSHIP OVER IT

BLONDIE, I'VE GOT AN IDEA THAT WILL MAKE HERB LIKE ME AGAIN

YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN SUCH DEAR FRIENDS

I WANT ONE OF THOSE SPORT COATS JUST LIKE HERB WOODLEY BOUGHT

NOT REALLY?

LOOK, HERB... I LIKED YOUR COAT SO MUCH I BOUGHT ONE JUST LIKE IT

THAT SHOWS YOU HAVE GOOD TASTE AFTER ALL

NOW WE'RE FRIENDS AGAIN-- YOU'RE NOT MAD ANY MORE ARE YOU?

OLD BUDDY-- WE'RE PALS AGAIN

TO CELEBRATE THE RENEWAL OF OUR FRIENDSHIP I'LL TAKE YOU ALL OUT FOR DINNER AT THE BEST RESTAURANT IN TOWN

DO I LOOK AS REPULSIVE AS HE DOES IN THIS NEW COAT?

I'D RATHER NOT SAY, DEAR

I WANT TO CHANGE THIS COAT FOR A NICE CONSERVATIVE ONE IN PERFECT TASTE

NOW YOU'RE SHOWING GOOD SENSE

WAIT!! I GET YOU ALONE OUTSIDE!

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BEETLE!

YES, SIR?

GOSH! I'M SORRY, SIR. I FORGOT I HAD THE HOSE IN MY HAND

☆!☆!☆ NOW I FORGOT WHAT I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU---

--LET'S SEE-- WHAT WAS IT?...

--OH, YES. THIS WINDOW IS BROKEN. DON'T SQUIRT AT IT OR I'LL GET WET!

OH, OH! I SEE BEETLE IS BUSY WASHING THE WINDOWS AS I TOLD HIM

THE WAY HE SWISHES THAT HOSE AROUND, I KNOW I'LL GET SQUIRTED BEFORE HE'S THROUGH!

HE ALWAYS MANAGES TO HAVE AN ACCIDENT LIKE THAT

(SIGH) SO FAR HE'S REMEMBERED TO CLOSE EACH WINDOW, BUT I KNOW IT'S INEVITABLE

IT'S NOT SO MUCH THAT I MIND GETTING SQUIRTED-- IT'S THE SUSPENSE OF NOT KNOWING WHEN!

I CAN'T WORK FROM THINKING ABOUT IT!!

HERE! LET'S GET IT OVER WITH!!

NOW I CAN GET DOWN TO WORK

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