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Monologue about a young crazy woman

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**Girl**

I want so much to have a normal life, but I can't have a normal life, can I? I'm hidden away, locked away in this box, like sumthin' in an attic, a dirty doll, broken and forgotten. You can't trust food that you can't see being prepared. Someone might put foreign objects, like razor blades in your pizza or they might piss on your precious Chinese food. Out there, out there, people are so angry that they can't control themselves and they strike out at people. They put poison in the food... Last night I had a dream, a strange, strange dream. Mother was in a little boat dressed all in white, and she had a white... parasol, those little umbrellas, like they had in the old days. And she was singin', singin' in her little boat. She didn't sing words, just these beautiful, beautiful notes. And you were all twisted on the banks of the stream in some ugly old tree. And your eyes were filled with tears, and I could hear you cryin', like you were trapped and couldn't move, couldn't reach out ... And me? Well, the stream wasn't water, it was made of blood, and I was tryin' to reach you, tryin' to swim through streams of thick blood. And my arms were gettin' so tired and I was being pulled under where I couldn't breathe and then I heard screamin' and I woke up, and the sheets were all wet with fear. And my heart was racin', and I couldn't breathe, couldn't catch my breath. Do you ever have dreams like that? Do you ever see stuff like that? When I woke up, when I woke up in my box, I could hear voices, but they weren't talkin' to me. They were outside, and I was just a doll in a box without feelin's who watches life go by, but for one moment the doll wakes up and does sumthin', for one moment the doll comes to life and does sumthin', does sumthin' awful because a doll, it don't know the difference between wrong and right. I'm so tired. Lie down with me for a moment and we can sleep and the dream will be over. Lie down with me. Lie down with me for a minute.