

MOVING ON

By

Below Average Score

FADE IN:

**INT. BEN'S CAR (PARKED) - NIGHT**

Cars whizz by BEN SWIFT'S (45) SUV. He presses his cellphone to his ear and stares at the fuel gauge blinking red.

BEN

...I'm so, so sorry. Goodbye.

He hangs up as the passenger door opens and JADE KNUTSACK (25) climbs in. She realizes something has happened.

**INT. SWIFT'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - SAME TIME**

SONIA SWIFT (40) squeezes the bedside telephone as she fights the urge to scream.

**INT. BEN'S CAR (MOVING) - MOMENTS LATER**

JADE

How did she react?

BEN

She was speechless. I don't know how she'll cope, I've always been the centre of her world.

Ben hits the breaks and the car screeches to a halt.

BEN

I'm sorry, I can't do this. She needs me.

**INT. SWIFT'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - SAME TIME**

JOEY EAGER'S (25) head pops up from under Sonia's duvet; his face red and sweaty.

JOEY

Who was that?

SONIA

Nobody important.

Sonia pushes Joey's head back under the duvet and places the phone back on the receiver which is beside a one-way ticket to Europe.

FADE OUT.