

## Near-Love Songs

Book, Music, and Lyrics by Ethan Treiman

### Scene Nine **Fly With Me**

(KATE sits criss-crossed on a bench, reading. LIAM enters. He sees Kate, but, unable to think of what to say, sneezes loudly and turns around. She sees him. )

KATE Liam?

LIAM Kate? That's you?

KATE It's me. Oh my god.

LIAM What do you mean Oh my god?

KATE I mean I haven't seen you in a what it's been three, four... weeks?

LIAM Yeah, it's been awhile. I've kind of been keeping to myself.

KATE I'm sorry to hear that.

LIAM No, it's been a rip-roaring time, I've had a blast.

KATE I'm sorry to hear that.

LIAM What are you reading?

KATE What are you doing here?

LIAM Aren't I allowed to come to parks?

KATE No, I mean.. Yes, actually, I.....

LIAM (*overlapping*) Kate, I've been...

KATE I'm still talking, Liam.

LIAM Wait, wait, this one's important. I've been thinking...

KATE No, don't do this.

LIAM But we were so....

KATE Done?

LIAM Absolutely. And....

KATE Then what on Earth could you be thinking.

LIAM Just think about it.

KATE Think about what? There's nothing to think about.

LIAM Just think about it.

KATE Okay now you're just being... now you're just being  
Liam. And that's too much. I'll see you.

LIAM Wait, just..

KATE (*sharply*) If you say think about it.

