

Tasha "Every Other Weekend" inc. dialogue

* other characters will be read in by non-auditionees

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BROOKE: I agree. I just want my kids to run around so they fall asleep quickly at bedtime.

TASHA: Barb, I have an idea. I can pick up Steven at Boy Scouts on our way to the game and then he can sleep over.

(AMY re-enters)

BARB: Are you sure?

TASHA: No problem. It's my weekend with the kids anyway, and Trey will be thrilled to have someone to play with.

BARB: Thank you so much. That would be a huge help

AMY: So how's it going with that new arrangement?

TASHA: Well, it's going okay. We talk more now than when we were married. (*underscore*) I don't know...I guess we're all getting used to it.

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND

TASHA: EVERY OTHER WEEKEND

HE PULLS INTO THE DRIVEWAY

BEEPS HIS HORN THREE TIMES AND THEN HE WAITS

THEY COME LEAPING DOWN THE STAIRS

WITH THEIR SUITCASE AND THEIR TOOTHBRUSH

AND KISS ME AS THEY QUICKLY RUN AWAY

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND

THE HOUSE IT FEELS SO EMPTY

I SPEND THE FIRST FEW HOURS PICKING UP THEIR THINGS

I TAKE THE LONGEST HOTTEST SHOWER

AND CATCH UP ON A GOOD BOOK

BUT SOMEHOW IT JUST DOESN'T FEEL THE SAME

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THEY'RE HIS

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THAT'S HOW IT IS

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND

THERE'S NO SCHEDULE TO FOLLOW
 IT'S STRANGE TO KNOW THERE'S NO ONE TO TUCK IN
 I MIGHT GO OUT ON A DATE
 AND I KNOW I'M SO MUCH STRONGER
 BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M DOING THIS AGAIN

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THEY'RE HIS
 EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THAT'S HOW IT IS

HE ALWAYS TAKES THEM OUT TO DINNER
 TO THE ZOO OR TO THE MOVIES
 HE GETS THEM EVERY LITTLE TOY THEY WANT
 HE LETS THEM STAY UP PAST THEIR BEDTIME
 HE ALWAYS GETS TO BE THE HERO
 AND LEAVES ME HERE TO JUST BE PLAIN OLD... MOM

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND
 I MAKE MYSELF REMEMBER
 WHAT WE DID AND WHY WE'RE BETTER OFF THIS WAY
 AND SOMETIMES WHEN I SEE HIM
 I CAN'T HELP BUT WONDER
 WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE IF HE HAD STAYED

EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THEY'RE HIS
 EVERY OTHER WEEKEND THAT'S HOW IT IS
 I'M ACHING WHEN THEY'RE LEAVING BUT THEN ON SUNDAY EVENING
 THEY'RE MINE AGAIN....EVERY OTHER WEEKEND

TASHA: I just never pictured myself as a single mom. I mean we were married for twelve years.

AMY: I think you're handling it really well.

BARB: You know, Chris and I have been married for 5 wonderful years.

BROOKE: What?

BARB: Yea, 15 altogether but only 5 have been wonderful.