I Guess So

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Cast of Characters

<u>CLAIRE</u> 30s, female, any race, she is social, friendly, smart, but has a hard time making up her mind

Place

At the front door of her fiance's house or apartment.

Time

Present Day.

Synopsis

Claire worries that her inability to choose a pizza topping might be an analogy for the rest of her life.

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AT RISE: Clair has just opened the door to get the pizza.

CLAIRE

(calling off camera)

Pizza is here!

(to the pizza deliveryman, squinting at his nametag)

Hi, Todd is it? Let me get you a tip.

(She grabs her purse and starts digging inside for cash, conspiratorially)

Do you know what he ordered? It's sausage, isn't it? I can never pick, so I said, surprise me! Sausage or pepper-ope!

(she looks down at her hand in the purse, tries to yank it out)

My ring is stuck. Shoot, hang on, I can't quite-

(she continues attempting to pull her hand out of the purse as she continues)

It's a new ring. (feels the need to explain) Diamond. (feels the need to explain further) It's an engagement ring. (short pause as she struggles) Awkward.

I didn't say yes, you know. I said, I guess so. Who says that? I guess so. (*defensively*) But then who proposes over a pizza menu and true crime dramas?

He'll want to get married soon. That's what engagement leads to. We're not young anymore. Then he'll want to buy a house with a picket fence and a porch swing. Have a dog or a cat.

(suddenly realizing in horror)

Oh my god, he's going to want a kid, Todd. Kid-SUH! Plural. And I can't even decide between pepperoni and sausage! What was I thinking, I guess so? (angry) I guess no! (insistent) I'm not ready for a house and kids and marriage.

(short silence, desperately)

Am I, Todd?

(the purse drops to the floor)

Oh! Look at that. (awkwardly) Here, all I have is a ten, just keep it for your trouble. I think I smell sausage, it is sausage, isn't it? It's exactly what I wanted, he gets it right every time.

(she stares down at the diamond ring for a moment, musing to herself)

I guess so. (to Todd) Have a good night!