**Ricky**: The lines have not been paid. The water hasn’t been paid. The phone
hasn’t been paid. Why they haven’t been turned off, I don’t know.

**Lucy**: Well I’ve been going around stalling our creditors.

**Ricky**: Lucy, this is absolutely fantastic. It’s just unbelievable. I would like a logical explanation of it.

**Lucy**: Well I would like a logical explanation of it too.

**Ricky**: I make good money. I bring it home and it and it disappears. So, what have you been doing with it?

**Lucy**: I sank it all in a phony gold mine? (*Lucy laughs*)

**Ricky**: Ha ha ha. That’s very funny.

**Lucy**: I thought you’d like it.

**Ricky**: Yes. Well I got something very funny to tell you, too.

**Lucy**: You have?

**Ricky**: Yes, I have. You know you’ve used up your allowance until next February. Yes, and you’re not going to get any more money until then.

**Lucy**: But Ricky!

**Ricky**: And not only that but you can’t have anymore charge account. I will handle all the money and pay all the bills. Now isn’t that funny?

**Lucy**: (*whines*) But Ricky, you can’t do that to me.

**Ricky**: Well now honey I know that this seems very harsh to you right now but we’ve got to get our finances in order and teach you a lesson. And this is the only way.

**Lucy**: But Ricky, you’re so smart. Can’t you think of another way?

**Ricky**: No. (*Lucy cries*) Look, if you can get the bills paid we’ll go back to the old way arrangement. Until then it’s got to be this way. (*Lucy cries*) Now come on, come on, give me a kiss. (*He kisses her while she is still crying*) Hm. Salty but nice. See you later.