

# Practice Escapes

A monologue by Dennis Bush  
Selected from his collection,  
“Life and Death, Laughter and Love”

**Cast:** 1 female

**Length:** 1 page of dialogue (249 words)

**Performance time:** About 2 minutes

## The Story

Vanessa, a teenage girl, recalls her father humming when he left the family on weekends; perhaps it didn't rate the full-out whistling he did when he finally walked out on the family forever. She cried when he left that time, but wonders if it wasn't from her sense of relief, knowing she wouldn't have to experience his disappointment in them anymore. (drama)

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