

LEAVE ME ALONE

By Lauren Rose

As the lights come up we see a woman lying in bed. She is asleep. There is an alarm clock next to her that reads 2:43 am. A few moments pass and we hear a rattling of noise offstage. The woman turns over in her bed groaning, She tries to ignore the noise. We hear the noise again. She groans louder. All of a sudden we hear an extremely loud crash from offstage. The woman sits up.

WOMAN: What the hell was that!?!

(pause)

WOMAN: Helloooo???

(another pause)

WOMAN *(incredibly agitated and yelling offstage)*: Alright that's not fair! You don't get to just sit around here all day and sleep and stare out the window or WHATEVER you do when I'm not here and then keep me up all night long with your stupid shenanigans. Some of us have to wake up earlyyy and go to work so that OTHERS have food to eat. Oooh and then you have the nerve to complain that I don't give you enough attention when I finally have a chance to sit down and relax after a long day. You're ALWAYS nagging me about it, wanting me to rub your back or massage your head. It's ridiculous! I mean seriously I do everything around here. I pay the bills. I buy the groceries. I clean up all your shit. Have you ever thought that maybe I want a goddamn backrub! But I don't ask for one. All I ask is for some peace and quiet so that I can get a decent night's rest before I have to go to work and do the same thing tomorrow that I did today and will continue to do until the end of time! So can you pleeeassse just keep quiet and LEAVE ME ALONE!?!

A small cat walks on stage looking at her. The cat goes up and rubs his head against her, purring.

WOMAN *(defeated by the cuteness)*: Alriiiight, you win.

The woman pets the cat.

END OF PLAY