

CASABLANCA (1942)

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INT. RICK'S CAFE AMERICAIN - NIGHT

Sam is playing the piano. Rick sits alone at a table, a drink in front of him. The cafe is mostly empty. The lights are low.

ILSA and LASZLO enter. Rick looks up. He sees her. He doesn't move. His expression doesn't change. But the glass in his hand goes very still.

RICK

(to Sam)

Of all the gin joints in all the towns in all the world, she walks into mine.

Sam looks at Rick. He knows. He says nothing.

RICK

Play it, Sam. Play "As Time Goes By."

SAM

I don't think I can remember it, Mr. Rick.

RICK

Play it.

Sam begins to play. Rick stares at his drink. The music fills the empty cafe.