

**SCENE 8**

THE KLEIN HOME IN BROOKLYN.

CAROLE is walking with the baby in her arms, trying to get her to sleep. GENIE comes in.

GENIE

It's almost ten — why is Louise up?

CAROLE

I don't know. I fed her. She's dry.

GENIE

She's probably upset her father isn't home.

CAROLE

Ma, she's five months old. I don't think she knows Gerry's not home.

GENIE

Believe me, she knows. Your father used to say he was at work when he was actually with her.

CAROLE

Gerry is not Daddy. Believe me, he wants to be here. We only have till tomorrow morning to do the song.

*The door opens. It's GERRY.*

GENIE

Finally.

GERRY

What's that supposed to mean?

CAROLE

Ma, I love you. But go to bed.

GENIE

Here, I'll take her up.

*GENIE kisses her and takes the baby.*

GERRY

Hold on.

*HE kisses the baby.*

Night, little sweetheart.

GENIE

You'll notice she's stopped crying. Is all I'm saying.