

EXTRACT

FIVE KINGS

A ten minute play

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Cast

TERRY

KEN

RYAN

STEVE

ANT

Setting

Inner City pub.

Time

Early Evening

FIVE KINGS

LIGHTS SNAP UP

Five men TERRY, KEN, RYAN, STEVE and ANT - sit on bar stools.

They all wear similar blue uniforms – but there is a point of difference with each. TERRY has a jumper, KEN has a vest, RYAN has a short sleeve shirt, STEVE a long sleeve shirt – buttoned up - and ANT a large padded coat.

All five men hold a schooner of beer. They stare out at the audience.

LONG PAUSE.

TERRY takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN takes a slurp of his beer.

Beat.

TERRY takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN takes a slurp of his beer.

KEN, STEVE and TERRY turn to stare at RYAN.

Beat.

KEN, STEVE and TERRY look out to the front once more.

Beat.

TERRY takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN raises his beer to his mouth. He is just about to take a sip of beer but something catches his eye – he lowers his beer.

ANT: One King.

Beat.

RYAN: How long have we been here ?

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer – looks at TERRY.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN: I said, how long have we been here ?

Beat.

TERRY takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

KEN: Six.

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer – looks at RYAN.

Beat.

RYAN: What time is it now ?

Beat.

TERRY takes a sip of his beer – looking at RYAN.

Beat.

KEN: Ten.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN: Four hours.

Beat.

STEVE takes a sip of his beer – looking quickly at TERRY then RYAN.

Beat.

KEN: Yep.

Beat.

KEN takes a sip of his beer.

Beat.

RYAN: But in all that time ...

Beat.

RYAN slurps his beer.

Beat.

TERRY, KEN and STEVE all turn to look at RYAN.

Beat.

TERRY: What's your point ?

RYAN: In all that time –

STEVE: We're listening.

RYAN: Why hasn't he ...