

Report

# A Study on the Impending

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GROUP: Write the World

**I**t was like those scenes in films where someone coughs, revealing blood on the tissue, and you know it's all coming to an end. Something is eating them from the inside - a concise shorthand for death. The more cynical audience members might at this juncture begin rooting around in the dark cinema for their belongings, eyeing the exits. She had this same look, her eyes flitting around the apartment. She must have resolved herself, then, to leave. I wondered how I would cope, eventually, in the wake of it. I've always had this tendency to stay till the credits.