

Freshmeat

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FADE IN:

EXT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

TYLER PITTMAN, 14, a scrawny and slightly nerdy kid is standing in front of SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL, staring at it in awe. He begins walking towards the school.

TYLER (V.O.)

High school, the place where young men and women graduate and become working members of society, the place where adolescents learn the value of responsibility, social skills and hard work, the place where we are expected to give it our best because this is where it counts the most, this is the moment I've been waiting for my whole 14 years of living. I'll be spending the next 4 years here. So I might as well make the most of it!

Tyler reaches the door, takes a pause, and a deep breath.

TYLER

Well, here goes nothing.

Tyler finally opens the door.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - DAY

Tyler enters the school and it is in complete chaos. All the freshmen are running away from the seniors. The seniors are dumping the freshmen in garbage cans, beating them up, stuffing them in lockers, and etc.

Tyler looks terrified, one of the seniors makes eye contact with Tyler.

TYLER

Oh shit!

Tyler runs and the senior chases him.

INT. TYLER'S HOMEROOM - DAY

Tyler enter his homeroom class and sits down at a desk.

He looks around the classroom and notices that everyone has bruises.

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He looks up at the teacher; it is the same senior that was chasing him.

DREAM SENIOR
 Welcome class to Freshmen Ass
 Whopping 101. I'm your teacher.
 I'll like to give you all an
 example of my exquisite freshmen
 ass whopping skills. Make sure to
 take notes kids. Do we have any
 volunteers for an example?

Tyler sinks in his seat, petrified.

DREAM SENIOR (CONT'D)
 (to Tyler)
 How about you, fresh meat!

DREAM SENIOR points at Tyler. Tyler is terrified.

DEAM SENIOR (CONT.)
 You look short, scrawny, and
 fragile. Easy to bend, bruise and
 break. How about it?

TYLER
 No.

DREAM SENIOR
 Get up here right now!

TYLER
 No!

DREAM SENIOR dashes to Tyler's desk angrily. He grabs Tyler and drags him in front of the classroom.

TYLER (CONT'D)
 Help me!

Everyone is laughing in the classroom including some adults who are teachers.

DREAM SENIOR
 This is what happens when you don't
 obey the teacher!

The senior pulls his fist back, he's about to punch Tyler.

TYLER
 NOOOOOO!!!

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - NIGHT

An alarm goes off; Tyler frantically wakes up, and realizes he was dreaming. He's gasping for air and is bedraggled with sweat.

VALERIE PITTMAN, 38, storms in the room with her night gown and cuts the light switch on.

VALERIE
Tyler!?! Are you okay!?!

TYLER
Yes, I'm fine mom, just had another nightmare that's all.

VALERIE
You scared me again.

TYLER
I'm sorry, I'm fine now, have a good night mom.

VALERIE
Goodnight.

Valerie turns the light switch off and closes the door. Tyler lies back down.

INT. VALERIE'S CAR - MORNING

Valerie is driving, Tyler is in the passenger seat.

DYLAN PITTMAN, 8, Tyler's little brother, is in the back.

Tyler is absorbed in his own thoughts with a nervous look on his face, fidgeting.

TYLER (V.O.)
You know, once upon a time, I was really excited for my first day of high school now I don't know how to feel. So many people told me the horrendous things seniors do to freshmen...

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RANDOM PERSON #1
The seniors eat the freshmen for lunch!

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RANDOM PERSON #2

Don't try to hide from them, they have a sixth sense for detecting freshmen, they can smell you from a 50 yard radius!

RANDOM PERSON #3

You gone get your ass whooped!

INT. VALERIE'S CAR - EARLY MORNING

We are back to Tyler who is sitting with a disapproving face. Despite Tyler's desolate appearance, Dylan is pretty chipper.

DYLAN

So you're going to high school?

TYLER

Yes.

DYLAN

Cool! You're going to see a lot of big kids!

TYLER

Yep.

DYLAN

They're going to be giants! They're going to squash you and make your guts ooze out like Gushers!

TYLER

Thanks.

VALERIE

Hush Dylan, you're making it worse.

Valerie's car pulls at the front of South Bay High School.

TYLER

I think I'm going to be sick. Mom, can we go back home? I feel a fever coming.

VALERIE

(giggling)

Oh lighten up, it's supposed to be the best years of your life. After high school you go to college, find a career, get married, have kids, get fat, and work until you die.

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VALERIE (CONT'D)

Just go out there and enjoy your youth, okay?

Tyler gives her a slight smile and opens the car door.

TYLER

I'll try my best. Good luck in third grade, Dylan. Bye mom.

Tyler exits the car.

VALERIE

Bye sweetie!

DYLAN

In case you die can I have your Mac computer?

TYLER

Since I'm about 2,563 percent sure I'm going to die as soon as I step inside it's all yours.

DYLAN

Awesome!

VALERIE

Tyler is not going to die! Bye Tyler see you later tonight, love you, and be optimistic!

TYLER

I'll try.

Valerie stares at Tyler with pride in her smile.

TYLER (CONT'D)

What?

VALERIE

My baby is finally in high school!

TYLER

(sardonically)

Bye mom.

Valerie gives him one more big smile; Tyler closes the car door and walks away. Valerie drives off.

EXT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL - EARLY MORNING

Tyler begins walking to the front doors of South Bay Highschool and takes a pause before entering. He pinches himself.

TYLER (V.O.)

Okay, this is actual life, had to make sure. Well, here it goes, my first day at high school, the place where young men and woman graduate and become working members of society. The place where-

RUDE GIRL

Get out the damn way!

Tyler scoots out of her way and the RUDE GIRL walks inside the school.

TYLER (V.O.)

Well, here goes nothing.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - EARLY MORNING

Tyler nervously opens the door and enters the school. It looks like a typical day of school. Students are hanging around their separate groups talking and chit chatting.

Tyler pulls out his schedule and begins searching for his class. There are a few SENIORS around the hall who are laughing at him.

TYLER (V.O.)

I guess they're laughing because I'm obviously a freshman. I'm holding on to my schedule for dear life, looking around the school like I'm a tourist, the only thing that's missing is my cheap Hawaiian shirt and my Polaroid camera and I also have a 175 pound book bag, I couldn't blend in even if I tried.

While Tyler is walking to class we spot LOST FRESHMAN who is approaching a group of SENIORS.

LOST FRESHMAN

Excuse me but can you please show me where room 207 is?

One of the seniors snatches the schedule from his hand and began scrutinizing it. The seniors are smiling villainously.

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SENIOR #1
Yeah we'll show you, follow us.

The seniors begin walking, LOST FRESHMAN smiles, and follows them.

Tyler takes a look at his watch and begins running to class.

INT. TYLER'S HOMEROOM - MORNING

As soon as Tyler walks inside the room the bell rings. He is out of breath and sits down at an empty desk.

MRS. HUNT, the homeroom teacher, cuts the television on.

The television shows PRINCIPAL BOWES, he is getting ready to give the morning announcements.

PRINCIPAL BOWES
Good morning South Bay High School.
Welcome to a brand new year of
academic excellence, well for some
of you. This is your principal,
Principal Bowes speaking. I would
like to welcome all of you back. I
would especially like to welcome
our latest addition to our family,
our freshmen. I hope you seniors
are making them feel at home.

LOST FRESHMAN walks in the classroom. He is drenched; he sits down at a desk and spits water out of his mouth.

MRS. HUNT
What happened to you?

LOST FRESHMAN
A senior pushed...

LOST FRESHMAN looks outside the doorway and sees SENIOR #1 in the hall pounding his fist.

LOST FRESHMEAN
I mean, I fell in the school pond.

We are now back to Principal Bowes who is still on the T.V. screen.

PRINCIPAL BOWES
May you all have a wonderful year.

INT. HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

Tyler is walking down the hallway, shamefacedly. All of the taller students keep bumping into him.

TYLER (V.O.)

The rest of my day was a disappointment as expected, seniors were laughing at me the entire day while I was trying to find my classes.

A SENIOR runs into him, Tyler falls to the floor, and all of his books are scattered. Students around him are pointing and laughing.

INT. CULINARY ARTS CLASS - DAY

Tyler walks into his class, he's eager to meet someone new so he walks up to the first person he sees.

She is SAMANTHA GENE, 15, she looks like an artsy type, a bit of a rebel. She is sitting next to DEAN CHO, 15, a chubby Vietnamese kid.

TYLER (V.O.)

In culinary arts I tried to introduce myself, to make new friends.

TYLER

Hi, I'm -

SAMANTHA

Shut up and die!

Dean laughs. Tyler sits back down.

TYLER (V.O.)

But it didn't work.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Tyler is in line getting lunch.

TYLER

And when it was time for lunch I had nowhere to sit.

Tyler looks around the cafeteria trying to find somewhere to sit but has no luck.

EXT. COURTYARD - AFTERNOON

Tyler walks outside and sits where the LONERS are sitting. Tyler approaches a LONER with his hand out.

TYLER
Hi, my name is-

The LONER hisses at him. Tyler jumps in fright.

TYLER (V.O.)
And that's when I gave up
introducing myself.

Tyler sits by himself and despondently eats his lunch.

TYLER (V.O.)
And everything got even better when
it was time for gym class.

INT. THE SCHOOL'S GYM - AFTERNOON

Tyler is pegged in the head with a ball and he falls hard to the floor.

COACH CHALLIS, 47, a bald headed beefy man, runs up to Tyler heated, blowing his whistle manically.

COACH CHALLIS
Got dammit! What was that?! You
can't even catch a god damn ball!
You freshmen are useless, got
dammit!

Tyler sits up on the ground. Tyler hears some laughter and turns around. We see a group of three seniors, who are watching nearby pointing and laughing at Tyler together.

They are: CLYDE OWENS, 18, the slimiest of the three, he has blonde surfer hair.

RODNEY ODOM, 17, a built black guy with a shaved head.

JEREMEY O'NEAL, 18, he has short brown spiky hair; he's very handsome, an All-American boy type.

TYLER (V.O.)
God help me.

Tyler is still sitting on the ground. Coach Challis blows his whistle frenziedly again. Tyler covers his ears in terror.

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COACH CHALLIS

Get off the ground got dammit!

INT. BOY'S LOCKER ROOM - AFTERNOON

Tyler is at his locker packing his clothes in his gym bag.
Clyde points at Tyler.

CLYDE

(imitating Coach Challis)
Got damn it! You stupid freshmen
are useless got dammit!

RODNEY

Ain't that the truth? This chump
couldn't catch a ball if you handed
it him.

Jeremy imitates Tyler trying to catch a ball and getting hit
on the head, Jeremy falls down to the floor.

Everyone in the locker room laughs. Tyler runs out the locker
room embarrassed.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/KITCHEN - DAY

The phone rings. Tyler grabs the phone and answers it. The
screen splits in half.

VALERIE

So how was your first day at high
school?

TYLER

Umm...fun! I love my classes and
I'm already making cool new
friends.

VALERIE

Great! I'm glad you're enjoying
yourself. To be honest, I was
worried some seniors were going to
dump you in a pond or something.

TYLER

No, that was another kid.

VALERIE

Where is Dylan? I want to see how
his first day went.

Dylan comes running into the kitchen playing with a toy.

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TYLER

Hey Dylan, mom wants to talk to you.

Tyler hands Dylan the phone.

DYLAN

Hello?

VALERIE

How was your first day?

DYLAN

Great, I ate a grasshopper today!

Dylan hands the phone back to Tyler and runs down the hall. Tyler puts the phone to his ear.

VALERIE

At least he had fun.

Tyler smirks and giggles.

VALERIE (CONT'D)

We'll, I'm glad to know that you two had a wonderful first day but it's time for me get back to work before my boss catches a fit. See you tonight, love you bye!

TYLER

Love you too bye.

Tyler puts the phone on the charger and begins walking down the hall.

TYLER (V.O.)

Since my mother is working two jobs and doesn't get home until around ten. I have to make sure that my brother does his homework, eats his dinner, takes a bath, and gets to bed at nine. Oh yeah and put on deodorant; he's at that age now.

TYLER

(calling)

Hey Dylan time for a bath!

DYLAN

Ahhh!

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler is sitting on a couch reading his biology book. Valerie walks through the front door.

VALERIE
Hey, is Dylan in bed?

TYLER
Yes ma'am.

VALERIE
Okay let me go kiss him good night.

Valerie walks down the hall and Tyler follows.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/DYLAN'S ROOM - NIGHT

Valerie enter Dylan's bedroom and walks towards Dylan's bed, Tyler follows. Valerie is about to kiss Dylan good night, she stops for a moment.

VALERIE
(whispering)
Does he have deodorant on?

TYLER
Yeah.

VALERIE
Good.

She continues and kisses him good night; she exits the room. Tyler grabs papers from Dylan's desk and exits the room.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/HALLWAY - NIGHT

Tyler hands Valerie the papers in his hand.

TYLER
Here are all the papers you have to sign for him by tomorrow.

VALERIE
Thank you. You know what I just want to let you know. It is so great, to come home and see how much you're helping me with Dylan. I don't know what I'll do without you.

TYLER
Stop mom, you're making me blush.

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VALERIE

Aww, look at those cheeks turning red.

Valerie begins pinching his cheeks.

TYLER

Mom stop it, stop it, I'm going to bed good night.

Tyler brushes his mother's hands away from him and walks off to bed.

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY - DAY

School bell rings, Tyler is walking to his next class.

TYLER (V.O.)

It is now day number two maybe this day would be better. Sure yesterday I was laughed at in the hallways and humiliated in gym but hey, maybe seniors only picked on freshmen the first day-

Tyler is knocked down to the floor and all his books are scattered on the floor.

He looks up and see The Three Stooges; Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde.

TYLER (V.O.)

Or maybe not.

JERMEY

Watch where you going!

TYLER

(terrified)

But you bumped into me.

JERMEY

Don't correct me! You know what I do to freshmen who try to correct me?

Tyler shakes his head nervously.

JERMEY (CONT'D)

Rodney, tell him.

RODNEY

We 'stuff em!

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Rodney, Jeremy, and Clyde all pick up Tyler and is stuffing him into the nearest locker.

TYLER
Stop it! I didn't even bump into
you!

They are finished stuffing him and closes the locker door. Jeremy and the gang walks away laughing and high-fiving each other.

Students around Tyler are pointing and laughing.

TYLER (CONT'D)
Someone please help? No? You're
just going to keep on laughing?
That's fine. I'll just chill here
then.

Tyler hears the locker unlatching and it opens. Samantha and Dean help him out of the locker.

SAMANTHA
(yelling back to the
seniors)
Imbreds!

Tyler is now out of the locker brushing himself off, catching his breath.

TYLER
Thanks so very much that was very
kind of you.

Samantha glares at him.

TYLER (CONT'D)
My name is Tyler by the way.

SAMANTHA
Shut up I don't care!

Samantha stares at him with a mean look in her eyes. Tyler looks frightened, then Samantha and Dean begins laughing hysterically.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)
Dude, I'm totally kidding don't
piss your pants.

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DEAN

My name is Dean and I'm Asian,
ching wong wong, and this chick
right here is Samantha.

SAMANTHA

But you can just call me Sam for
short.

TYLER

Hey Sam, for short.

DEAN

You look small, lost, and just got
stuffed in a locker by seniors you
must be a freshman.

TYLER

You guessed it.

DEAN

It's okay, we understand, we we're
in your position last year.

TYLER

Oh cool, you guys are sophomores!?

DEAN

Don't get happy, we're not cool.

TYLER

Oh.

SAMANTHA

Hey, wait a minute, you look
familiar aren't you in our culinary
arts class?

TYLER

Oh yeah, that's right. You're the
girl who told me to die.

SAMANTHA

Oops, sorry about that. It's not
because you're a freshman or
anything, I'm just a bitch.

DEAN

Oh yeah, I remember you. I didn't
want to talk to you yesterday
because I thought you were
irrelevant.

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TYLER

Thanks.

SAMANTHA

Is that where you were headed
before those ass-cups stuffed you?

TYLER

Yeah.

SAMANTHA

We'll we better hurry, we're almost
late. Come on!

Samantha begins jogging and Tyler follows. Dean jogs too,
about 5 seconds later he stops gasping for air.

INT. CULINARY ARTS CLASSROOM - DAY

MRS. PETERSON, 45, is in front of the class, happy as always,
she's very perky.

MRS. PETERSON

Good morning, good morning, good
morning class! Welcome to our
second day of culinary arts. Who's
all excited?!

No one looks excited but Dean happily raises his hand.

MRS. PETERSON (CONT'D)

Well, I'm glad to see one eager
student. Our first assignment is
making snicker doodles! Aren't we
all excited!?

No one in the class is thrilled apparently. Everyone gives
her a vacant expression.

MRS. PETERSON

Snicker doodles make me excited,
don't judge me. Now I want you all
to get into groups of threes and to
go to a cooking station.

All of the students begin to form groups at cooking stations.

DEAN

Me and you Sam.

SAMANTHA

Of course Dean-O.

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TYLER
Can I be in your group?

SAMANTHA
No! Shut up and die!

Tyler looks sadden. Samantha and Dean laughs again.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)
Come on, where's your sense of
humor?

Tyler smiles, the three of them walk to a cooking station and
sits down.

MRS. PERTERSON
Okay, at your stations you'll find
the recipe and all the materials
needed to complete the assignment.

Dean sticks a finger in the ground cinnamon and tastes it.
Samantha slaps his hand.

SAMANTHA
Dean, stop it.

DEAN
Sorry, I love my confectioneries.

MRS. PETERSON
Let's begin!

INT. CULINARY ARTS/ABOUT 30 MINUTES LATER - DAY

We see all the greatly baked cookies in the class.

TYLER (V.O.)
Overall, the class did a swell job
on making their cookies. Mrs.
Peterson was pleased with everyone,
until she saw our cookies.

We see Tyler's group burnt cookies. Mrs. Peterson walks by
them and sees the cookies.

MRS. PETERSON
Oh dear, what happened here?

SAMANTHA
We suck at life.

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MRS. PETERSON
I'm sorry kids but these cookies
aren't looking too orgasmic to me.

Mrs. Peterson walks away, shaking her head.

DEAN
I'll still eat them.

The bell rings for lunch.

TYLER
See you guys tomorrow.

Tyler begins packing his book bag and walks off.

SAMANTHA
Wait, if you want you can have
lunch with us.

Tyler turns around smiling.

TYLER
Really?

DEAN
Yeah you're cool.

Tyler smiles happily again.

SAMANTHA
You're cool enough to hang with us
sorry but that's not saying much.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

Tyler, Dean, and Samantha are walking to the cafeteria for lunch. Dean is munching on the burnt cookies.

SAMANTHA
So how do you like South Bay so
far?

TYLER
It's a blast you know, getting
tripped in the hallways, getting
stuffed in the lockers while
everyone around laughs.

Samantha laughs.

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SAMANTHA

Yeah, I guess that was a stupid question.

TYLER

I just don't understand why the seniors can't leave us freshmen alone?

DEAN

(face stuffed)

Say no more we know exactly how you feel. We felt the same way last year.

SAMANTHA

Yeah dude, it's how all freshmen feel. Being a freshman is difficult. When you're a freshman, you have to explore this whole new world and adapt to it. Plus, as you already know, you have to watch your back for seniors. High school is a food chain and I hate to say it but you're at the bottom of it. We're at the bottom too but you're at the very bottom.

DEAN

You're the scum of the Earth. You're the sleaziest, nastiest, lowest, down dirty shame in this school.

TYLER

Okay! I get it.

SAMANTHA

But don't worry; we got your back we can be your mentors.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

The group finally reaches the cafeteria.

DEAN

Ooh, fish sticks!

Dean dashes off to the lunch line with pure excitement in his face.

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SAMANTHA

Okay, I'll be your mentor. Let me begin with explaining the cafeteria. The cafeteria is the melting pot of the different subcultures in high school you have your Geeks and Freaks over here, Gangsters over there, in that corner the Misfits, to your left the Drama Kids, to your right the Band Geeks and the last group is way in the back there.

Samantha points to the back of the cafeteria. Tyler's eyes follows.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

That is where the "Cool Seniors" sit.

We are lead to a huge table of rough housing, boisterous, senior boys and gossiping, girly cheerleaders.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

They are the quote on quote kings and queens of the school. They are a mixture of arrogant jocks and slutty cheerleaders they're most likely filthy rich and always ready to party. These are the people you don't want to cross. They are evil, pernicious beasts. The clan only consists of the popular seniors. No freshman is allowed to sit over there. No freshman is even allowed to walk over there.

TYLER

What would happen if we do?

We spot a FRESHMAN who is walking by the "Cool Seniors" area. The seniors yell at him telling him to get out and they are throwing food at him. The freshman is covered in food now.

TYLER (CONT'D)

Oh.

SAMANTHA

The number one rule on surviving your freshman year, never trust any seniors especially the popular ones.

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SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

Like I said high school is a food chain. They're the lion you're the gazelle, the fresh meat.

Dean joins the gang again with a plate full of fish sticks.

DEAN

So where are we sitting?

EXT. COURTYARD - AFTERNOON

Samantha, Dean, and Tyler are sitting together outside eating. Dean is munching down his fish sticks.

SAMANTHA

Now, what I was saying about the seniors wasn't for the faint of heart. Now, I know so far you've been tripped in hallways, shoved to the ground, stuffed in lockers but it's only bound to get worse. I'm only telling you this because I want you to be safe. We've learned from experience.

DEAN

(stuffed face)

Let me explain.

EXT. COURTYARD - AFTERNOON

FLASHBACK: Dean is eating lunch in the courtyard and he is holding a bottle of apple juice.

DEAN (V.O.)

Last year, I used to bring bottled apple juice from home. I used to love me some apple juice. Anyway, one day during lunch I took a swig of it, I noticed my bottle was a bit warmer than before but I didn't pay it any mind. It was a hot day so I figure the heat got to it. Anyway when I took a swig of it, I spat it out immediately.

Dean spits out the apple juice.

EXT. COURTYARD/PRESENT DAY - DAY

Tyler has a concerned look on his face.

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TYLER

Why, what was in it?

DEAN

Piss.

TYLER

Eww.

EXT. COURTYARD - DAY

FLASHBACK: Dean looks around and sees a group of SENIOR BOYS laughing at him.

DEAN (V.O.)

I know. After I spat it out, I looked around and saw a group of senior boys laughing at me. Somehow they stole my bottled apple juice, dumped it out, pissed in it, and put it back in my back pack without me noticing. I haven't drunk apple juice since then, besides this one time three weeks ago.

EXT. COURTYARD/PRESENT DAY - DAY

Samantha is looking in the distance reminiscing about something.

SAMANTHA

I haven't used a locker since after what they did to me.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

FLASHBACK: Samantha is putting a few things in her locker.

SAMANTHA (V.O.)

Last year, I had a bad locker. It would close but it wouldn't technically lock. I thought no one noticed.

Samantha closes her locker it wouldn't shut so she tries again and it still wouldn't shut so she closes it as much as she could and walks away. Three SENIOR GIRLS are watching.

SAMANTHA (V.O.)

Boy was I wrong.

INT. HALLWAY/HOURS LATER - DAY

Samantha opens her locker again. Samantha grabs her book bag and jacket and puts them on. She sniffs them and makes a disgruntled face. She looks around in her locker for the source of the stench and finds dead fish at the bottom of her locker. Three SENIOR GIRLS walk by laughing. Samantha is irate.

SAMANTHA (V.O.)

A group of senior bitches put dead bass fish in my locker and all my stuff was in there! I smelled like fish for the whole entire day and those Barbie dolls started spreading a rumor saying that I was on the rag.

EXT. COURTYARD/PRESENT DAY - AFTERNOON

Dean's face lights up, a memory comes to surface.

DEAN

Oh yeah I remember that; I stayed away from you as much as possible that day.

SAMANTHA

Thanks Dean.

(to Tyler)

And that was only the beginning; our whole freshman year was hell.

TYLER

Man that's terrible! These seniors are vicious. How do you get rid of them?

SAMANTHA

You can't it's the circle of life here.

DEAN

(singing loudly)

It's the circle of life!

STUDENTS pass by giving Dean awkward looks.

SAMANTHA

Dean, hush.

(to Tyler)

At least you don't have to share a class with them.

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TYLER

I have Gym with some seniors next period.

DEAN

Ouch, you're doomed.

TYLER

Thanks, I wonder what they'll try to do next.

The bell rings for the end of lunch.

TYLER (CONT'D)

And I guess I'm about to find out now.

Tyler sighs.

TYLER (CONT'D)

See you guys in the afterlife.

Tyler walks off sluggishly. Dean and Samantha wave sheepishly.

DEAN

Good luck duck.

EXT. TRACK FIELD - DAY

It's a nice sunny day. Everyone is gathered around Coach Challis as he "lectures".

COACH CHALLIS

Alright you got damn maggots! I want you to run this lap four got damn times! That equals one got damn mile and you better do it in 10 minutes or less got damn minutes! Am I making myself clear got dammit!?

ALL THE STUDENTS

Yes sir!

A beat.

COACH CHALLIS

Don't stand there and stare at me! I wanna see those ass cheeks flappin' got dammit!

All the STUDENTS begin running their laps.

EXT. TRACK FIELD/MINUTES LATER - DAY

Tyler is running on the track. Jeremy is running up to Tyler and congratulatory pats him on the back.

JEREMY

Good job running man. You already ran a lap in about one minute, that's pretty awesome.

TYLER

(smiling)
Thanks.

Jeremy runs off. Tyler begins to smile, feeling good.

We see the back side of Tyler. There's a "KICK ME" sign on his back. Rodney runs by and kicks Tyler.

TYLER (CONT'D)

Hey?! What was that for!?

Clyde runs by and kicks Tyler.

TYLER (CONT'D)

What the hay!?!?

Three other SENIORS run by and kicks Tyler.

TYLER (CONT'D)

Stop it! Oww!

Tyler runs to Couch Challis.

TYLER (CONT'D)

Coach Challis can you please tell everyone to stop kicking me!

Coach Challis sees the sign on Tyler's back and kicks him also, making Tyler fall to the ground.

Jeremy runs by and rips the sign off of Tyler's back and reveals it to him.

JEREMY

You need to watch your back wimp.

Everyone laughs, including Coach Challis.

EXT. BUS RAMP - DAY

Tyler, Samantha, and Dean are walking together to the bus ramp. Tyler is walking with a limp and looks upset.

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DEAN

Gee, who dropped your marshmallow
in the campfire?

TYLER

Those stupid seniors...

SAMANTHA

Oh no, what did they do this time?

TYLER

One of them put a "kick me" sign on
my back in gym today. Everyone in
the class was kicking me. Even the
coach!

SAMANTHA

Those assholes...

TYLER

And I have to go back there
tomorrow, and the next day and the
next day and the next day...

Tyler appears forlorn. A beat.

DEAN

Well, look on the bright side, at
least you don't smell like a used
tampon like Samantha did.

SAMANTHA

Thanks Dean.

TYLER

(sadly)
See you guys tomorrow.

Tyler begins limping to his bus.

SAMANTHA

Wait! Tonight do you want to get
together and see a movie or
something? I'm sure you'll need it
to get your mind off the ass-cups.

Tyler turns around.

TYLER

That'll be great but I have to stay
home and watch my brother.

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SAMANTHA

It's okay we'll just come to your house. I'll bring a bunch of my movies over and we'll choose the ones we want to watch.

TYLER

That sounds great, thanks.

SAMANTHA

Great, I'll call you tonight to let you know when I'm coming over okay. See you later tonight. Bye!

TYLER

Bye.

Tyler is smiling at Samantha and she smiles back.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler, Dean, and Samantha are watching a movie together on the sofa while eating popcorn.

TYLER (V.O.)

I was so lucky to have friends like Dean and Samantha in my life. Every time I had a bad day they were there for me, I could always look forward to us hanging out to be my solace through my stressful days in gym. We would do all kinds of things like go to the mall, go to the movies, hangout at each other's house you know typical teen stuff and when we talked on the phone we could talk about anything and I mean anything...

INT. TYLER'S ROOM/SAMANTHA'S ROOM - NIGHT

The screen is split in half, Tyler and Samantha is on the phone together.

SAMANTHA

Oh, my god in second period I had to fart but I couldn't because I was afraid it was going to be super loud. So I tried to let it out a little bit at time. Do you do the same thing?

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TYLER
(excited)
Dude, we're twins I do the same
exact thing!

TYLER (V.O.)
It was great.

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - AFTERNOON

Tyler, Samantha, and Dean are in Tyler's room playing Twister. Samantha's butt is in the air.

TYLER (V.O.)
And I think my brother was growing
fond of Samantha...

Dylan stares at Samantha's butt, slowly nodding his head with satisfaction.

INT. CULINARY ARTS CLASS - DAY

Samantha, Dean, and Tyler are in class laughing and talking.

TYLER (V.O.)
Thanks to Samantha and Dean the
first nine weeks went by so quick.

Tyler's attention is now rapt with preoccupied thoughts.

TYLER (V.O.)
You'll think by now those three
seniors would've found something
else to obsess about than making my
life miserable in gym but
unfortunately they haven't...

INT. BOY'S LOCKER ROOM - AFTERNOON

Jeremy is giving Tyler a wedgie while Tyler yells for help. Rodney and Clyde are pointing and laughing.

TYLER (V.O.)
My mom was worried for me.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/VALERIE'S OFFICE - AFTERNOON

Tyler and Valerie are on the phone.

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VALERIE

Do you need me to come to the school and talk to the principal?

TYLER

No mom that would be so embarrassing.

VALERIE

Well a mom's got to do what a mom's got to do.

TYLER

Thanks but no thanks.

VALERIE

If you insist, you know those seniors are probably just picking on you because they are probably insecure with themselves.

TYLER

Yeah right mom, they are the coolest and most popular of the seniors. What could they possibly be insecure about?

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Jeremy and his gang are in the cafeteria eating lunch. Rodney is looking at his thighs.

RODNEY

Do these jeans make my ass look fat?

JEREMY

What?

RODNEY

I mean -

MEGAN COX, 18, walks by switching.

RODNEY (CONT'D)

I mean damn her ass is fat, I'd hit that, word. What's up Megan?

MEGAN

(flirtatiously)

Hey Rodney.

Megan sits down with a group of cheerleaders.

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JEREMY

Awww look at you trying to talk like you're experienced. You don't have to hide from us we know your secret.

RODNEY

(worried)

You do?

CLYDE

Yeah, you never had a girlfriend.

RODNEY

(relieved)

Oh, yeah that.

JEREMY

So tell us, what's taking so long?

RODNEY

Well you know, I'm just waiting on my one true love.

JEREMY

Awww, come on! Who are you? Nicholas Sparks? Dude, no girl wants a sensitive guy. Girls want a guy to treat them like utter crap. Why do you think I get so many girls?

CLYDE

Because they make you feel better about yourself.

JEREMY

Shut up, dumbass.

CLYDE

Hey, stop calling me that, I'm not dumb!

RODNEY

Enough guys. You know I've been doing some thinking. We need to start worrying about better things like our senior prank, our time is limited to make our mark.

JEREMY

You have any plans Rod?

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RODNEY

Yeah, I was thinking we could dress up in drag and flirt with other guys and try to convince them that we're girls!

A beat.

JEREMY

That sounds homo-rrific, next.

CLYDE

Maybe we can vandalize the principal's car!

JEREMY

That's a crime you oaf; we could go to jail if we do that.

CLYDE

Not if we paint our faces black, they'll never know it was us.

A beat.

RODNEY

Now you're just being racist.

JEREMY

I want to do something different, something that isn't gay or just plain stupid. I really want to stretch the boundaries with this. I want to do the unthinkable.

CLYDE

But if you think about it then it's not unthinkable.

RODNEY

Clyde, just stop talking.

A FRESHMAN walks over to the "Cool Seniors" area of the cafeteria.

Every senior is yelling "Get Out!" and throws food at him. He is covered in food. The freshman is angry.

FRESHMAN

If you're going to throw food at me at least stop throwing meat, I'm a vegetarian!

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LUCNH SENIOR

Shut up!

A piece of pork chop hits the freshman on the head, knocking his glasses off.

Jeremy's sees the commotion, absorbs it, and then his face lights up with an idea.

JEREMY

Okay, so this crazy idea just hit me. Are you ready for it?

RODNEY

Yeah.

JEREMY

Okay, so you know how freshmen are never allowed to sit over here at lunch right?

RODNEY

Right.

JEREMY

Well, how about we invite one, the most pathetic freshman we can find. We'll let him hang out with us. We'll invite him to football games, parties and...

RODNEY

Ewww, hanging out with a freshman? Are you serious? That's so low. We have a reputation to keep.

JEREMY

Shut up and keep listening. Do you think I'll be hanging with a freshman just for fun? No idiot it's a prank, we're trying to make him think that he's one of us. We'll invite him to prom and on prom night we'll announce that it was all a prank. We can even make him Prom King and pour meat juice all over him. Everyone will laugh at him, he'll cry, boo-hoo, it'll go down in history as the best senior prank ever and everyone will love me, I mean us even more.

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RODNEY

It's all fine and dandy but what will people say when they actually see us hanging with a freshman?

JEREMY

Don't worry, there's a Senior Board Meeting later on today. I'll tell them about it and ask them to follow along and they'll spread the word to other seniors and those seniors will spread it to even more seniors and so on and so on.

Rodney ponders on the idea for a few seconds.

RODNEY

This is actually a very brilliant plan. I like it; it'll be a lesson to all those other loser freshmen who think they can be cool.

JEREMY

What do you think Clyde?

Clyde stares at Jeremy.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Hello? Earth to Clyde...

Clyde grabs a pen and paper from his backpack and wrote "RODNEY TOLD ME NOT TO TALK" Jeremy and Rodney both sign.

RODNEY

So who's going to be the lucky freshman?

JEREMY

I know just who.

Jeremy has a satisfying smile on his face.

INT. SCHOOL'S GYM - DAY

Tyler is pegged by a ball in the face and falls to the ground.

COACH CHALUS

Got dammit! You still can't catch a got damn ball! The ball was right at your fingertips got dammit!

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JEREMY

Here, let me help you up.

Tyler's eyes are closed when he opens them he sees Jeremy and his crew.

Jeremy is sticking out his hand. Tyler looks questioning but takes his hand and Jeremy helps him up.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

The coach can be pretty tough huh?

TYLER

Yeah, tell me about it.

JEREMY

My name is Jeremy by the way and this is Rodney and this is Clyde.

TYLER

Hi I'm Tyler; I believe we've met before.

CLYDE

But not formally.

RODNEY

Shhh!

JEREMY

Tyler, we want to apologize for teasing you all this time. My friends and I can be real assholes. When I got home from school yesterday I was starting feel bad for what I was doing to you. So I had a talk with Jesus-

Clyde snickers. Rodney smacks the back of his head.

CLYDE

Ow!

JEREMY

And he told me to apologize to you.

TYLER

Okay, I forgive you.

JEREMY

Hallelujah! And to make it up to you we want you to have lunch with us tomorrow.

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TYLER

What? I thought freshmen weren't allowed to sit with the seniors.

JEREMY

We're the kings of the school. If it's cool with us than it's cool with every other senior, so what do you say?

TYLER

Umm...sure?

JEREMY

Great, see you tomorrow at lunch.

TYLER

See ya.

Jeremy and his crew walk off. Tyler has a smile on his face. Clyde laughs again.

CLYDE

Dude, had a talk with Jesus?

JEREMY

What? I did, he said thou shall prank loser freshmen.

The group laughs.

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - EVENING

Tyler is on the phone with Dean and Samantha, the screen is split into thirds.

TYLER

Okay, so the weirdest thing just happened to me today.

DEAN

What? Did you discover that your next door neighbors are cannibals from Pluto?

TYLER

Okay no, second weirdest thing. You remember those three seniors who are always antagonizing me in Gym class?

SAMANTHA

Yeah, what about them?

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TYLER

They invited me to have lunch with them tomorrow.

Dean and Samantha gasps.

SAMANTHA

Oh no! Don't do it, it's a trap!

DEAN

Yeah, there's no way they're being serious about that. I mean come on, a freshman sitting with seniors? That's unheard of.

SAMANTHA

Yeah Tyler, use your common sense. It's probably a prank or something. Promise us you won't go.

TYLER

But -

SAMANTHA

Promise?

Tyler sighs.

TYLER

(defeated)

Fine, I promise.

Dylan enters Tyler's room.

DYLAN

Is that my woman on the phone?

TYLER

Dylan, get out of here!

DYLAN

Tell her I'll be thinking about her tonight.

SAMANTHA

Okay, ew.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Tyler is getting his lunch from the lunch line. When he is out of the line he sees Jeremy and his crew beckoning him to sit with them. He pretends that he doesn't see them and walks outside.

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Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde look at each other confusedly.

RODNEY
What the hell?

INT. THE SCHOOL'S GYM - AFTERNOON

Jeremy, Rodney and Clyde are standing next to Tyler while the rest of the class is playing volley ball in the background.

JEREMY
What happened at lunch today?

TYLER
Uhh, I'm sorry, I just got nervous.
Please don't kick my ass!

Tyler flinches.

JEREMY
What is there to be nervous about?

TYLER
I was worried you guys were setting
up a prank or something.

CLYDE
(worried)
Prank? Who told you about a prank?

RODNEY
(angrily)
I'll bust their head open!

TYLER
No one told me anything. It's just
what I thought. I mean you guys
did put a kick me sign on my back,
stuffed me in a locker and possibly
gave me a yeast infection with the
wedgies.

JEREMY
Okay we get it and we said we were
sorry okay. Now listen, it's not
every day the coolest seniors in
the school invites a freshman to
hang with them. If you did hear
that this is a prank from anyone
it's probably because they're
jealous of you. Do you know how
many freshmen wish they can be in
your shoes?

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JEREMY (CONT'D)

You can take this golden opportunity or leave it; we're only going to ask you one more time.

Tyler looks guilty.

INT. THE CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Tyler is getting his lunch; he sees Jeremy and his gang beckoning at him again. So he walks towards them. They look jubilant.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Let the games begin.

Tyler reaches the "Cool Seniors" area, everyone begins yelling "Get Out!", and is ready to throw food at him. Tyler flinches.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Hold your fire! This is the "special" freshman.

Everyone says their "Oh's" and begins to snicker. Tyler sits by Jeremy and his crew.

TYLER

Why are they snickering at me?

JEREMY

They're not snickering at you; they're snickering at Clyde because he's a dumbass.

TYLER

Oh.

JEREMY

But I can make them stop if you want. Rodney?

RODNEY

AY YO STOP SNICKERING!

Everyone became silent in the cafeteria.

JEREMY

So tell us more about yourself Tyler.

TYLER

What do you want to know?

INT. CAFETERIA/ABOUT 30 MINTUES LATER - AFTERNOON

Jeremy and the gang are talking to Tyler. Tyler has a confused look on his face.

TYLER (V.O.)

Having lunch with Jeremy and his gang was downright awkward. They kept asking me questions about things I was completely obtuse about.

HEAD SHOTS:

CLYDE

What's your favorite sports car?
What's your favorite football team?
Do you like enchiladas?

JEREMY

If you could would you have sex with Megan Cox?

RODNEY

Do you think I'll look good in pink?

Tyler has a blank look on his face.

TYLER (V.O.)

I was so clueless; I doubt they would invite me back to lunch.

The lunch bell rings. Tyler stands up as fast as he can.

TYLER

See you in Gym.

JEREMY

Hold on, how about we walk together.

TYLER

Okay.

INT. HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde, and Tyler are all walking down the hallway. Some folks in the hallways are pointing and giggling.

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TYLER (V.O)

I was walking down the hallway with them and they didn't trip me or stuffed me in a locker. They were treating me like, a human.

INT. THE GYM - AFTERNOON

Jeremy is teaching Tyler how to catch a ball correctly. Tyler is being very attentive.

TYLER (V.O.)

And in gym class it was so bizarre, instead of laughing at me. Jeremy and his crew were actually helping me in Gym today. Couch Challis didn't say got dammit to me once. It was great!

INT. BOY'S LOCKER ROOM - DAY

Tyler and Jeremy were both stuffing clothes in their bags.

JEREMY

(to Tyler)

So, you coming to sit with us at lunch tomorrow right?

TYLER

Uhhh...

JEREMY

Cool, so we'll see you there.

TYLER

Sure.

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

Dean and Samantha are walking down the hall; sees Tyler, and walks toward him. Samantha is a bit upset.

SAMANTHA

Dude, where were you at lunch today?

TYLER

Oh my god, you're not going to believe this. I had lunch with those three seniors!

DEAN

What the funds!?

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SAMANTHA

Dude, what did we tell you?

TYLER

I'm sorry, but I had to do it. I just wanted to see what it'll be like and surprisingly they were really nice to me.

DEAN

Wow, so what are their names?

TYLER

One of their names is Clyde, he likes enchiladas.

DEAN

I love enchiladas too!

A beat.

TYLER

The other one is Rodney I can't quite figure him out and the last one is Jeremy. He's like the leader. He says fart, they say how loud.

DEAN

So, what do they talk about?

TYLER

Sports, cars and girls, all the stuff I have no knowledge about.

DEAN

Wow, this is intriguing getting into the world of the popular seniors.

SAMANTHA

This is a trap I know it.

DEAN

Don't be so negative Nancy.

TYLER

They invited me to have lunch with them again tomorrow.

DEAN

You totally should go.

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SAMANTHA

Dean!?

DEAN

What? If the seniors offer you to lunch, you go! Do you know how many people wish they could be in Tyler's shoes? I'm one of them!

Samantha stares at them in disgust and walks off. Dean and Tyler shrug their shoulders.

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler is sitting on his bed, dialing a number on his phone.

INT. SAMANTHA'S ROOM - NIGHT

Samantha is on her bed doing homework.

She hears "punk music" playing nearby; it is her phone ringing right next to her, she answers it.

The screen splits in half.

SAMANTHA

Hello?

TYLER

Hey Samantha, what are you doing?

SAMANTHA

Nothing, just trying my best to care about my Biology homework.

TYLER

Do you need help? I'll be more than happy to help you.

SAMANTHA

No I got it thank you. You're not the only prodigy child you know.

Samantha and Tyler both giggle.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

So what's up? Why did you call?

TYLER

I was just making sure that you're okay. You seemed a little upset earlier today at school.

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SAMANTHA

Oh, you mean about you hanging with the seniors?

TYLER

Yeah.

SAMANTHA

Yeah, I'm fine, don't worry about me. It's just...

TYLER

It's just what?

SAMANTHA

It's just that I don't want you to get hurt.

TYLER

What makes you think I'm going to hurt?

SAMANTHA

Tyler, hello? They are seniors. I told you this before seniors equal pernicious beasts. When pernicious beasts are hungry they hunt for fresh meat. Fresh meat equals you. I just think this whole thing is going to turn into carnage.

TYLER

I think you're being a little over protective. Those senior really had a change of heart. They are being super nice to me and one of them even had a talk with Jesus!

SAMANTHA

My Uncle Raymond once had a talk with Jesus, it changed his life.

TYLER

See?

SAMANTHA

He was tripping on acid.

TYLER

Oh, the point is there is nothing to be worried about. I really feel those seniors are being totally legitimate.

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SAMANTHA

Okay, fine, I'll let you be a man
and make your own decisions.

TYLER

Thanks mom.

SAMANTHA

It's just, I really care about you
that's all.

TYLER

Thanks, I care about you too.

There is a long awkward pause. Their faces read "What's going
on here?"

SAMANTHA

Well, ummm okay. I should get back
to doing my homework now, or I'm
going to be up all night. I need my
beauty sleep. I look like a flesh
eating zombie without it.

TYLER

I find that hard to believe.

SAMANTHA

(smiling)
Awww, thank you.

TYLER

Well, now that I've given it a
second thought. I could see you
resembling a zombie.

SAMANTHA

(laughing)
Shut up!

Tyler joins her in laughter.

TYLER

Well, I guess I'll leave you alone
now. Good night Samantha. Good luck
on your homework.

SAMANTHA

Thank you and good night Tyler.

Samantha hangs up her phone and smiles.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Tyler is having lunch with Jeremy and his crew again. Everyone has a plate full of food. Rodney has a small toss salad and a bottle of water.

CLYDE
(to Rodney)
Where's your lunch?

RODNEY
Oh, I'm on a diet, I'm going vegan for a week. I weighed myself last night I weigh 185. I gained 10 pounds in the last two weeks. It's all going to my waist I know it.

He grabs his waist.

JEREMY
Dude, you're a middle weight wrestler you're supposed to weigh that much.

RODNEY
Should I get lypo?

A beat.

JEREMY
Tyler, I plan on having a party at my mansion tomorrow night at nine, Rodney?

RODNEY
AY YO PARTY AT JEREMY'S TOMORROW NIGHT!

STUDENT
WHAT TIME!?

RODNEY
AT NINE!

Everyone in the cafeteria cheers.

JEREMY
(to Tyler)
You're coming too.

TYLER
What you're inviting me? A freshman? To a party?

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JEREMY

Yeah man you're cool.

TYLER

You plan on having a party because your parents are out of town huh?

JEREMY

No, I told them to lock themselves in their room, when the party starts.

TYLER

And you live in a mansion?

JEREMY

Yeah, I'm filthy rich.

TYLER

How rich?

CLYDE

Like Oprah rich.

TYLER

(to Jeremy)

What do your parents do for a living?

JEREMY

Well, my mom doesn't work, she doesn't have to my dad makes all the money. He is a big time movie director.

TYLER

Really, what did he direct?

JEREMY

Rough and Tough, Poundfest, and I'm a Screamer.

TYLER

I never heard of those.

JEREMY

Good, they're not exactly G rated.

EXT. BUS RAMP - DAY

Tyler, Dean, and Samantha are walking to the bus ramp.

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DEAN

What? He invited you? A freshman?
To a party? At his mansion?

TYLER

I know I couldn't believe it
either.

DEAN

Dude, you're so lucky.

TYLER

I know!

DEAN

Trade lives with me now!

SAMANTHA

So when is this party?

TYLER

Tomorrow night at nine.

SAMANTHA

Remember we were supposed to go see
Lake Fear 3 tomorrow night

TYLER

Oh.

Jeremy drives by with Clyde and Rodney in the car. Jeremy honks his horn at Tyler.

JEREMY

Hey freshmeat! Get in we're hanging
out!

Tyler runs to Jeremy's car.

TYLER

Bye Sam! Bye Dean! See you guys on
Monday!

Tyler gets in the car and Jeremy drives off.

Samantha and Dean are flabbergasted.

INT. JEREMY'S CAR/HIGHWAY - DAY

Tyler, Jeremy, Rodney and Clyde are all inside of Jeremy's convertible. The car's hood is down.

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JEREMY
Hey Tyler?

TYLER
Yeah?

JEREMY
Who were those two losers you were
just talking to?

TYLER
Oh, that's Samantha and Dean. They
are my friends.

JEREMY
Sorry to break it to you but if you
want to keep hanging out with us,
you're going to have to lose the
geek and the freak, they bring down
the coolness, capeesh?

TYLER
(reluctantly)
Capeesh.

A beat.

CYLDE
So, what should we do fellas?

RODNEY
(gasps)
Let's go to the mall!

Everyone stares at Rodney.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
What? You thinking I'm going to a
party without buying a new outfit?
Ya'll are tripping.

INT. THE MALL - AFTERNOON

Jeremy and the gang are walking in the mall. Rodney has four
bags filled with clothes.

RODNEY
Oh my god, look at those shoes!

JEREMY
(sighs)
Here we go again.

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Rodney runs in the shoe store, everyone follows. Clyde sniffs the store.

CLYDE
Why do all shoe stores smell the same?

Rodney is trying on the shoes. He's checking out the shoes in the mirror.

RODNEY
I'm loving these satin leather boots! These hot right?

Rodney spots another pair of satin boots.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
(gasps)
They have them in brown too. Oh my god this totally matches this outfit.

Rodney pulls out an outfit from one of his four bags.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
I'm wearing this at the party tomorrow. Cute right?

CLYDE
He's worse than my mom.

TYLER (V.O.)
Mom, right. I was so excited about the party. I totally forgot I still have to ask my mom...

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/KITCHEN - NIGHT

Valerie is picking up dishes off the dinner table. She and Tyler just finished eating.

VALERIE
Oh no no no. I know what high school kids do at parties. I don't want you around that.

TYLER
But mom, they're my new friends if I don't go they'll think I'm from Loserville.

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VALERIE

You shouldn't care what others think; if they are your true friends they will understand.

TYLER

But -

VALERIE

I don't want to hear another word.

Tyler grunts, storms to his room, and slams the door.

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - DAY

Tyler is calling Jeremy on the phone he looks nervous.

INT. JERMEY'S ROOM - DAY

Jeremy is playing a video game. His phone rings. He pauses the game and looks at his phone, it says "FRESHMEAT CALLING". He answers it and continues to play his game.

The screen splits in half.

JERMEY

Hey Tyler, still coming to the party tonight?

TYLER

That's what I'm calling about. I don't think I can make it.

JEREMY

What? Why?

TYLER

My mom says I can't go.

JEREMY

So?

TYLER

So, I can't go.

JEREMY

Sneak out duh.

TYLER

What? Sneak out? I can't-

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JEREMY
See you tonight, bye!

Jeremy hangs up the phone, the dial tone is sounds.

TYLER
Hello? Hello?

INT. TYLER'S ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler is sitting on his bed dressed, Tyler's phone buzzes. He receives a text from Jeremy saying "WE'RE OUTSIDE".

Tyler looks outside his window and sees Jeremy and the gang outside in the parking lot.

Tyler texts back "I CAN'T GO, MY MOM WILL KILL ME".

Jeremy texts back "GET YOUR ASS OUT HERE NOW!"

Tyler texts "NO!"

Jeremy texts back "FINE DON'T HANG OUT WITH US ANYMORE EITHER."

Tyler sees Jeremy's car backing out of the parking lot.

Tyler panics and quickly texts back "HOLD ON I'M COMING!"

INT. JERMEY'S CAR - NIGHT

Jeremy shows Clyde and Rodney Tyler's message.

JEREMY
I knew that would work, he's so desperate.

The gang laughs.

EXT. TYLER'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Tyler climbs out of his bedroom window, closes it quietly, runs to Jeremy's car.

INT. JEREMY'S CAR - NIGHT

Tyler enters the car.

JEREMY
I knew you'll come to your senses.

Jeremy drives off.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION - NIGHT

Jeremy's mansion is fully decorated. MR. and MRS. O'NEAL are ecstatic.

TYLER (V.O.)

For the next hour, Jeremy and his parents made sure everything was perfect for the party.

MRS. O'NEAL

Okay, the decorations are up, the snacks are prepared, the drinks are cold, the stereo is on, the barf bags and condoms are on the table. Okay, I believe everything is set!

Tyler's phone rings, he looks at it, it says "SAMANTHA CALLING".

JEREMY

Who's that?

Tyler presses the ignore button.

TYLER

Uhhh, just a bill collector.

The door bell rings. Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal looks thrilled.

JEREMY

You can go in your rooms now.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal walks into their bedroom defeated. Jeremy walks to the front door.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Let the party begin.

Jeremy opens the door.

INT. JERMEY'S MANSION/UPSTAIRS HALLWAY - NIGHT

The house is filled with people, the music is loud and drunken people are everywhere. Tyler is walking around trying to find a place to hide.

TYLER (V.O.)

This party was more chaotic than I expected.

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TYLER (V.O.) (CONT'D)

It's super crowded, it's super hot, it's super loud and everyone around me was either super drunk, super high, or possibly both. I tried finding a room to hide in but it was always preoccupied.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION/UPSTAIRS ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler walks in a room and a couple is making out, half-naked on the bed. Tyler yelps, dashes out the room, and slams the door.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION/UPSTAIRS HALLWAY - NIGHT

Tyler continues to search for another room to hide in.

TYLER (V.O.)

I am way out of my element here.

Tyler passes by Jeremy's bedroom. The door has a sign on it that says "NO SEX ALLOWED".

TYLER (V.O.)

Finally, I've found refuge.

Tyler opens the door and enters the room.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION/KITCHEN - NIGHT

Rodney has a cup in his hand drinking; a girl walks by him, KRISTEN DANIELS, 17, she is examining his brand new outfit.

KRISTEN

Loving that outfit and those satin leather boots are hot!

RODNEY

Thank you just got it yesterday. You're looking pretty fabulous yourself. Loving those pumps, are those Fendi?

KRISTEN

Of course! I'm a high class bitch.

RODNEY

Me too girl, we're going to get along just fine.

They laugh together.

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Rodney looks away and sees a very handsome young man, JAKE TURNER. Rodney is obviously attracted to him.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
(to Kristen)
Who is he?

KRISTEN
Oh, that is Jake Turner he transferred in this year.

RODNEY
Where is he from?

KRISTEN
New York, I heard that he's certified model he has an agent and everything.

Rodney and Kristen both stare at Jake for while.

KRISTEN (CONT'D)
Just one night with, that's all I need.

RODNEY
Girl, tell me about.

Kristen looks at him, perplexed. Rodney realizes what he said.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
You know, to wrestle with.

Kristen walks away. Jeremy walks in and notices that Rodney is staring at Jake Turner.

JEREMY
Dude, why are you staring at Jake Turner?

RODNEY
(worried)
Oh, ummm, that guy owes me money.

JEREMY
(sighing)
Have you seen Tyler?

RODNEY
Nope, I've found who I'm looking for. Hold my drink.

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Rodney shoves his drink in Jeremy's hand.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
Hey Jake!

Rodney runs off.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION/LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Jeremy is walking and spots Clyde who is drunk and dancing.
The music is loud.

JEREMY
Dude, have you seen Tyler!?

CLYDE
Who's Skylar!?

JEREMY
No, Tyler!

CLYDE
Tie her? Who am I tying and why?

JEREMY
No, TYLER!!!

CLYDE
Tiger? Where!?

Clyde nervously looks around.

JEREMY
Ugh! Just never mind.

Jeremy walks off annoyed.

CLYDE
You're a mime? Cool, I didn't know
that.

Clyde pretends he's a mime trapped in a box.

INT. JEREMY'S MANSION/JEREMY'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Jeremy walks upstairs to his bedroom and opens the door. He
sees Tyler in the room playing his video game.

JEREMY
There you are. Who gave you
permission to be in my room and to
play my game?

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TYLER

I'm sorry it's just the party is way too rowdy for me. I want to go home.

JEREMY

Awww, go home already? The party is just starting.

TYLER

Three hours ago.

JEREMY

Like I said just getting started.

TYLER

Please just take me home.

JEREMY

How about this, you come downstairs and I promise you'll have fun.

TYLER

But I really want to -

JEREMY

Oh stop being a wuss and come downstairs. Me and the boys are about to play a game. Want to play?

TYLER

(excited)
Dungeons and Dragons!?

INT. JERMEY'S HOUSE/KITCHEN - NIGHT

Tyler is chugging beer from a chug machine. There is a crowd around him; Rodney and Clyde are in the crowd.

EVERYONE

Chug! Chug! Chug! Chug! Chug!

Tyler stops for a moment and pounds his fist in the air.

TYLER

Woooooo!

Everyone cheers back, being boisterous. Jeremy grabs a cup of beer and holds it in the air.

JEREMY

Can I have everyone's attention please?

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Everyone continues to make noise.

JEREMY (CONT'D)
Excuse me can I have everyone's
attention.

Everyone continues to make noise, not paying attention to
Jeremy.

JEREMY (CONT'D)
Rodney?

RODNEY
AY YO CUT THE NOISE!

Everyone is silent now and looks at Jeremy.

JEREMY
I would like to make a toast, to
our special friend! The only cool
freshman I know, that we all know,
Tyler Pittman!

Jeremy raises Tyler's hand in the air and everyone cheers.
Tyler smiles.

TYLER (V.O.)
Wow, everyone actually loves me.

The screen blacks out and we hear Tyler vomit.

INT. MALL - DAY

Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde and Tyler are all walking in the mall.

TYLER (V.O.)
When the next semester started they
continued to invite me everywhere!
To the mall...

Rodney stops and begins to stare at a poster.

JEREMY
What are you looking at?

Rodney looks terrified.

RODNEY
Ahhh, nothing I just really like
the color of his underwear.

Jeremy sees the poster Rodney is looking at. It has a beefy
body builder on it with a huge bulge in his speedos.

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JEREMY

Right.

Jeremy gives Rodney a disdainful look.

TYLER (V.O.)

To the football games...

EXT. FOOTBALL STADIUM - NIGHT

Tyler is watching the football game with Clyde and Rodney. Jeremy makes the winning touchdown.

ANNOUCER

And the South Bay Sharks win!

The entire audience cheers. Clyde gives Tyler a big hug and Rodney is flamboyantly gleeful.

TYLER (V.O.)

To more parties...

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Tyler is about to step out of the house. Valerie sees him.

VALERIE

Where are you going?

TYLER

Ummm, Samantha's mom is outside. Samantha, Dean, and I are going to the movies.

VALERIE

Why didn't you tell me about this earlier?

TYLER

I'm sorry...

VALERIE

Do you have money?

TYLER

Yes.

VALERIE

Well, go have fun and tell Dean and Samantha I said hi.

TYLER

Okay.

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Tyler exits the front door.

EXT. TYLER'S HOUSE/DRIVEWAY - NIGHT

Jeremy's car is parked in the driveway. Jeremy and the rest of the gang is inside. Tyler enter the car and Jeremy drives off.

INT. JEREMEY'S MANSION - NIGHT

Jeremy's house is crowded and filled with people. Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde and Tyler are all enjoying themselves with everyone.

TYLER (V.O.)
They invited me everywhere!

Tyler's phone is vibrating in his pocket he grabs it and sees "SAMANTHA CALLING". He presses the ignore button and continues party.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

Tyler is getting jacked up by a SENIOR against a locker.

TYLER (V.O.)
And every time any other senior
tried to mess with me. Jeremy would
always put them in their place.

Jeremy walks up to the SENIOR.

JEREMY
(to SENIOR)
Put him down, he's the "special"
freshman.

SENIOR
Ohhh...

SENIOR giggles and puts Tyler down. Tyler and Jeremy walk off together.

TYLER (V.O.)
They are even calling me the
special freshman. How cool is that?

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY - DAY

Tyler and the gang are walking down the school hallway, all the freshmen stare in jealousy, with wide opened jaws.

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TYLER (V.O.)

Hanging with Jeremy and his gang is great because every other senior knew not to mess with me. It was like I was of them now, one of the "Cool Seniors". How many freshmen can say that?

One FRESHMAN is staring at Tyler without looking where he's walking and pumps into a SENIOR. The SENIOR picks up the FRESHMAN with anger.

FRESHMAN

HELP!!!

Tyler sees Samantha and Dean.

TYLER (V.O.)

I hate to say but I have been completely ignoring Dean and Sam all this semester. You heard what Jeremy said, they brought down the coolness.

Tyler walks pass Samantha and Dean.

SAMANTHA

That son of a bitch!

DEAN

I always thought his mom was really nice.

Dean and Samantha over hear two kids in the hall way talking.

HALLWAY KID #1

Haha! That freshman actually think he's cool.

HALLYWAY KID #2

What do you mean? He's hanging around Jeremy O'Neal. Jeremy O'Neal is like the apotheosis of coolness!

HALLWAY KID #1

Blatantly, you're not up to date on current events here. Jeremy and his gang are pulling a prank on that kid.

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HALLWAY KID #1 (CONT'D)

They're pretending to be friends with him to make him think that he's cool and on prom night they're going to make him "Prom King" after that they're going to tell him that it was all a prank and pour meat juice all over him.

HALLYWAY KID #2

Ouch, I feel sorry for that kid.

HALLWAY KID #1

That's what he gets, what makes him think that freshman can be friends with seniors? He must be on opiates.

They both laugh and walk off. Samantha and Dean look at each other in horror.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Samantha and Dean are getting lunch.

Samantha spots Tyler. He is walking to the "Cool Senior" table, everyone cheers. Tyler sits down with Jeremy and the gang.

Samantha walks toward Tyler, Dean follows. Samantha reaches the table. Dean stays several feet behind her.

DEAN

Samantha? What are you doing!?

Samantha reaches the table.

SAMANTHA

Hey Tyler, remember me?

TYLER

(embarrassed)

Oh, hi Sam. Why are you over here?

JEREMY

Who's this freak?

Samantha gives Jeremy an evil glare.

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SAMANTHA

So Tyler how has it been? I've been waving to in the hallways but you never wave back, I've been calling you on the phone but you keep ignoring me and you never return the calls back and oh yeah Dean and I, the two people who helped guide you through high school, both want to know why you've been ignoring us for the past month. Is it for these ass-cups? Because they can't be trusted.

JEREMY

Um hello, earth to freak I was talking to you.

SAMANTHA

Go throw a football or something.

JEREMY

Who the hell do you think you are? Do you know who I am?

SAMANTHA

Jeffery? Jeremiah? I don't care, all I want to do is get my friend back. Ever since he's been hanging around you brain deads he's been ignoring Dean and I.

JEREMY

First of all it's Jeremy, learn it, live it, love it. Second of all I don't think you get it. Tyler is now friends with us. I told him that if he wants to keep hanging around us he's going to have to ditch you and that fat geek of nature.

Jeremy glances at Dean. Dean waves happily.

JERMEY (CONT.)

You glad you did right T?

TYLER

Ummm...

JEREMY

Right?

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TYLER
(reluctantly)
Yeah.

Samantha gives Tyler a disdainful look.

TYLER (V.O.)
I knew that I was wrong but what was I supposed to say? Jeremy would have probably kicked me out of the group if I disagreed with him. You would have done the same thing right?

JEREMY
(to Samantha)
So why don't you run along and go cut yourself or something.

RODNEY AND CLYDE
Ooooh!

JEREMY
Let's get out of here.

Jeremy and the gang rise from their seats.

JEREMY (CONT'D)
(to Samantha)
Remember it's up and down, not left and right.

CYLDE
(to Samantha)
Peace!

RODNEY
(to Samantha)
Toodles!

Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde and Tyler walk away. While Jeremy passes Samantha he bumps Samantha knocking her down, making her spill her lunch all over herself.

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde continue to walk. Everyone in the cafeteria laughs at Samantha. Dean helps her up.

Tyler looks at Samantha, contemplating if he should help her.

JEREMY
(from a distance)
T, come on!

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Tyler hurries along with Jeremy. Samantha's eyes are furious.

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

Tyler is begging Samantha for his forgiveness but she ignores him.

TYLER (V.O.)

The next day at school was a warzone as expected.

TYLER

Please Samantha, speak to me.

Samantha glares at him. Tyler sighs.

DEAN

That's what you get for being a douche.

TYLER

What? You're the one who kept encouraging me to hang out with them.

DEAN

Yeah, but I didn't think you'll turn your back on us. We thought we were your friends.

TYLER

We are friends it's just -

SAMANTHA

(mockingly)

I rather worship Jeremy he's my God.

TYLER

Oh so now you talk? Why can't you guys see that Jeremy is one of my friends too?

SAMANTHA

Dude what has happened to you? All I hear from you now is Jeremy, Jeremy, Jeremy. You might as well get his name tattooed on your ass or something.

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TYLER

Whatever you're just jealous because you can't stand to see me make other friends. Get over yourself!

SAMANTHA

Instead of thinking that I'm jealous maybe you should think hmmm maybe Samantha is trying to save me from getting my feelings hurt!

TYLER

Like I said you're jealous that I'm friends with the seniors and it's eating you alive. You can't stand it because you know you'll never fit in with them. You know that you're just a freak. A big lonely, bitchy, freak who wish she had one sixteenth of my popularity!

SAMANTHA

Wow, you really think they're your friends. They are using you for their senior prank. You're just a joke to them!

TYLER

Whatever just go crawl under a rock and decompose, no one will notice and oh yeah take Porky the fat ass pig with you!

DEAN

(offended)

Hey!

Tyler storms away.

SAMANTHA

(yelling back at Tyler)

Why don't you just go, suck electricity!

DEAN

It's official, he's an asscup.

INT. SCHOOL'S HALLWAY - AFTERNOON

Tyler is walking with Jeremy and the gang.

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TYLER (V.O.)

Needless to say Samantha and Dean weren't talking to me anymore. We've gone about 2 months without saying a word to each other which was fine because I had my real friends.

JEREMY

Can you carry this for me? Thanks.

Jeremy stacks a whole bunch of books on Tyler to carry. Rodney and Clyde does the same.

CLYDE

Thanks man.

RODNEY

Owe you one.

Tyler is struggling with the tower of books, trying to keep up with the gang as they continue to walk.

CLYDE

So Jeremy, who are you taking to prom?

JEREMY

I don't know, Rachel Lee, Krystal Bronakaski, Erica Sims, Brittany Acker, Heather Smith, Cady Longwell, or Amber Wilson. But I'm not sure.

CLYDE

Maybe you can take all fourteen!

JEREMY

I only named seven.

CLYDE

But you just said fourteen names.

JEREMY

They have last names too you know.

Clyde is in deep concentration.

CLYDE

Oh okay, like how my name is Clyde Owens.

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JEREMY

Right, so Rodney, who are you taking to prom?

RODNEY

Ummm, probably Kristen Daniels. She's mad cool, we always complement each other on our outfits, but just out of curiosity, does anyone know who Jake Turner is taking to prom?

CLYDE

I heard he's taking Caitlin Mitchell.

RODNEY

(spitefully)
Bitch.

The group reach their lockers. Tyler sets the tower of books on the floor, catching his breath. Jeremy, Rodney and Clyde pack their books in their lockers.

TYLER

(panting)
Well, I hope you guys have fun at prom; I won't be going of course.

JEREMY

What are you talking about? You're coming with us.

TYLER

But it's senior prom, I'm only a freshman.

JEREMY (CONT.)

If we find you a date who is a senior then you can come with us.

TYLER

Come on, what senior would want to take a freshman to prom?

INT. CAFETERIA - DAY

Tyler is eating lunch with Jeremy and the gang. Megan Cox walks up to Tyler.

MEGAN

Are you Tyler Pittman?

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Tyler stares at her and is flabbergasted. "Angelic music" plays.

TYLER (V.O.)

Woah, who is she? I've never seen anyone so alluring. Look at the way her bleach blonde hair glistens in the light and look at her eyes, blue like the ocean, it seems as though I could get bit by a great white shark at any moment now and wow look at those sparkling white teeth of magnificence, she should totally be in a Colgate commercial. I knew it at first sight that she was the eco to my system.

TYLER

Uhhh yes.

MEGAN

My name is Megan Cox and I've been eying you for awhile. I think you're kind of cute and I was wondering if you would like to go to prom with me?

Tyler is drinking milk and chokes on it.

TYLER

What? Me?

MEGAN

Yeah, you're smart...
(uncomfortably)
And really cute, so what do you say?

TYLER

Absolutely!

MEGAN

Great, see you at prom.

Megan walks away. Tyler is smiling to himself, feeling very elated.

CLYDE

(whispering to Jeremy)
How did you get Megan to ask Tyler out?

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JEREMY
(whispering back)
I promised her that she'll get a
job working for my dad.

RODNEY
Scandalous.

Jeremy turns to Tyler.

JEREMY
So, Tyler I see you have a date
know. Congrats man! You have the
senior girls liking you, you're an
official pimp.

TYLER
I would say thank you but I'm too
elated to say anything right now.

CLYDE
But you just said a whole sentence.

IN. SCHOOL HALLWAY - DAY

Tyler is walking down the hall smiling.

TYLER (V.O.)
Today was a great day for me first
I got a date to prom and then I got
my report card, I made all A's woot
woot! But not all of us were in a
state of euphoria...

Tyler spots Jeremy and the rest of the gang. Jeremy furiously
punches his locker.

JEREMY
Got damnit!

TYLER
What? What's wrong?

Jeremy is looking down at his report card.

JEREMY
Dude, I freaking hate algebra, I'm
failing!

RODNEY
Sucks for you I got a B. Clyde what
are you getting?

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CLYDE

An A+.

JEREMY

(to Clyde)

But how are you...?

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Just never mind. The point is I have a test coming up tomorrow and I don't get one ounce of this crap. If I don't pass algebra, I can't graduate.

TYLER

If you want I could tutor you, mathematics is my expertise.

JEREMY

Haha, cute but this is twelfth grade algebra not the one plus one you do in your freshman math class. You'd be lost.

TYLER

Want a bet?

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE/KITCHEN - DAY

Tyler and Jeremy are sitting at the kitchen table. Tyler is helping Jeremy with homework.

TYLER

A right triangle in the first quadrant is bounded by lines y equals zero, y equals x , and y equals negative x plus five. Find its area.

Tyler grabs a pen and notepad.

TYLER (CONT'D)

This is easy, all you have to do is look at the graph and find the value of y when y equals x intercepts with y equals negative x plus five like this.

Tyler begins solving the problem on paper.

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JEREMY

Huh?

TYLER (V.O.)

And he calls Clyde a dumbass.

TYLER

Let me explain in more detail. You see, m one equals one, m two equals negative one, y equals x , x is perpendicular to y equals negative x plus five because m one equals negative one over m two.

JEREMY

Okay so... y equals x intersects y equals negative x plus five?

TYLER

Correct and x plus x equals 5 which means?

JEREMY

X equals 2.5.

TYLER

That's great good job!

JEREMY

I'm so smart.

TYLER

So you think you got this test tomorrow?

JEREMY

Pshh, of course is that a rhetorical question?

Jeremy looks around the house puzzled.

A beat.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

So, you live here by yourself or something? Where are your parents?

TYLER

Well, my mom is working. She works two jobs.

JEREMY

And your dad?

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TYLER

Well, my dad died of a heart attack when I was just 8.

JEREMY

Sorry to hear that.

TYLER

There's no need to apologize.

JEREMY

Do you have any siblings?

TYLER

Yeah, one younger brother, his name is Dylan.

JEREMY

So, no older siblings?

TYLER

No, but I've always wanted one though. It'll be a lot of fun. It seems really awesome. You can hang around them and do awesome things together. Like how we do awesome things together. They can protect you from bullies too, sort of like how you protect me.

Jeremy takes this in.

Dylan walks in the front door. Dylan spots Jeremy and his eyes widen.

DYLAN

Whoa, are you a super hero?

JEREMY

No, but very close though.

TYLER

(to Jeremy)

Do you need help with anything else?

JEREMY

Ummm no, that's everything I think.

TYLER

Good because now that Dylan is home.

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TYLER (CONT'D)

I have to make sure he does his homework, eat, take a bath, and goes to bed at nine. Oh yeah and put on deodorant.

JEREMY

Wow that sounds like a lot.

TYLER

Yeah but I don't complain. I'm helping my mom out.

JEREMY

What about your homework?

TYLER

I'll get it done, I always do.

JEREMY

Okay well, I'm going to go now, thanks for your help, seriously.

TYLER

No problem, see you tomorrow.

Jeremy leaves and Tyler closes the door behind him.

DYLAN

Is he going to fly home?

INT. SCHOOL'S HALLWAY - DAY

Jeremy is holding his test in triumph.

TYLER (V.O.)

The next day I was proud to know that my tutor lessons paid off. Jeremy made a B on his test which brought his grade up to a C. A C minus but hey, he can graduate, as long as he keeps it up.

JEREMY

Wooh! Yes! Look at this it's a B! Dude thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you.

TYLER (V.O.)

He couldn't thank me enough.

He picked up Tyler and kisses him on his cheek numerous times.

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TYLER (V.O.)
Okay, now this is getting awkward.

Jeremy puts Tyler down.

JERMEY
But seriously, thank you so much.
Now that I'm passing algebra, I'll
be able to graduate!

TYLER
No, problem, what are brothers for?

JERMEY
What?

TYLER
Is it okay if I call you that?

JERMEY
Why?

TYLER
Because ever since you had your
talk with Jesus, you've been such a
great person. Sort of like the
older brother I've always wanted.

JERMEY
(surprised)
Oh, wow, ummm sure.

Tyler is ecstatic; he's obviously wanted to ask Jeremy this
for awhile.

TYLER
Okay, see you bro!

JERMEY
(culpably)
See you.

Jeremy looks guilty.

EXT. JEREMY'S MANSION - DAY

Everyone is in front of Jeremy's mansion getting ready to
take a picture.

TYLER (V.O.)
The following Saturday was prom
night.

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TYLER (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 We all met up at Jeremy's house
 before hand and took pictures.

Rodney sees his date, Kristen. His eyes widen when sees her dress.

RODNEY
 Girl, you better work that dress!

She turns around showing off her dress.

RODNEY (CONT'D)
 (falsetto)
 Yes!

Mrs. O'Neal is getting ready to take a picture.

MRS. O'NEAL
 Okay everyone gather around!

Everyone gathers around in front of the mansion.

MRS. O'NEAL (CONT'D)
 Okay everyone say, fo sheezy!

EVERYONE
 Fo sheezy!

Mrs. O'Neal snaps the photo.

INT. LIMOSINE - DAY

The limousine is on the highway. Rodney and Clyde are sticking their heads out of the roof exclaiming "Yeahs" and "Woos"

TYLER (V.O.)
 It seemed as though everyone was
 excited, besides Jeremy.

Tyler looks at Jeremy. Jeremy looks distressed.

TYLER
 Hey Jeremy, are you okay?

JEREMY
 Yeah dude, I'm good.

TYLER
 You seem a little distressed.

JEREMY
 No I'm good really.

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TYLER

Okay bro, whatever you say.

EXT. THE BALLROOM - EVENING

The limousine arrives in the front of the ballroom. Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde, Tyler and their dates all get out and everyone cheers.

The prom theme is Hollywood so a red carpet is layed out.

TYLER V.O.

Ahhh, everyone is cheering for us. How could life get any better? I've got the greatest friends ever. I have the hottest girl at school as my date and its all thanks to my big brother Jeremy. He's so amazing.

The group walk inside the building.

INT. BALLROOM LOUNGE - EVENING

The group is in the lounge, the lounge is filled with people talking and taking their prom pictures.

Everyone cheers when Jeremy and the gang shows up. The group cheers back beside Jeremy.

TYLER (V.O.)

God, I love my life.

Rodney's dragging his date to the dance room.

RODNEY

Come one girl, it's time to shake our ass on the dance floor!

INT. BALLROOM/DANCE FLOOR - NIGHT

The music is blasting, everyone is having fun, dancing and laughing.

Rodney is dancing very flamboyantly, his date looks puzzled.

Rodney spots Caitlyn Mitchell dancing with Jake Turner. Rodney is obviously envious and glares at Caitlyn. Caitlyn looks confused.

CAITLYN

Why are you staring at me like that? What did I do?

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RODNEY

Mhmm.

Rodney cuts his eye and walks away. Caitlyn is still confused.

INT. DANCE ROOM - NIGHT

We now see Jeremy who is sitting down at a table. He's off in his own world; his date is sitting next to him pouting.

HEATHER

(waving her hands at
Jeremy)

Hello? Do you even know that I'm
here?

Jeremy is staring off.

HEATHER (CONT'D)

My God you're a lame date, if you
think you're having sex with me
after prom, you can forget about
it.

Jeremy is still staring off.

HEATHER (CONT'D)

Hello? I just mentioned sex! Aren't
boys supposed to get excited over
that? Sex! Sex! Sex!

Jeremy still isn't paying her any attention, rapt in his own thoughts. Heather storms off angrily. Jeremy continues to sit there in space.

INT. DANCE ROOM - NIGHT

Principal Bowes is chewing on some tuna dip standing by Ms. Peterson.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Wow, this tuna dip is amazing. Did
you make this?

MRS. PETERSON

Yes, the Culinary Arts Club and I
prepared every dish here tonight.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

I must say ya'lls food is slammin!

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MRS. PETERSON

Don't say slammin, it doesn't sound right coming from you for some reason.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Oh.

MRS. PETERSON

But thanks for the compliment. Here try one of my snicker doodles, they're orgasmic.

Mrs. Peterson feeds a snicker doodle to Principal Bowes.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

(delighted)

Oh my that is orgasmic! But that ain't the only thing that's orgasmic.

Principal Bowes gives Mrs. Peterson a flirtatious smirk. She smirks back.

MRS. PETERSON

Oh, principal Bowes, you naughty, naughty, man.

INT. DANCE ROOM - NIGHT

Clyde and Rodney sits by Jeremy out of breath from dancing and taking seats by Jeremy.

CLYDE

Wooooo! I am having a ball out there.

RODNEY

What's up with you Jeremy? Why aren't you dancing? You seem bored.

JEREMY

I'm just tired, didn't get much sleep last night.

CLYDE

So are you ready to cook the fresh meat?

Clyde laughs.

CLYDE (CONT.) (CONT'D)

Get it?

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Rodney fake laughs.

RODNEY

Shut up.

JEREMY

That's what I wanted to talk about. Listen, I don't want to go on with the prank.

CLYDE AND RODNEY

WHAT!?

RODNEY

No man, you can't back down now! We're so close.

CLYDE

Exactly we spent this whole year pretending to like this silly freshman okay it's not all going to waste.

JEREMY

You guys don't understand. His father died when he was 8 and ever since then he had to take care of his little brother because his mom is always working -

Clyde pretends that he is playing a violin and Rodney laughs.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Would you two cut it out! Listen, Tyler started calling me his brother and to be honest I don't want to let him down, I mean he is really looking up to me.

CLYDE

Okay, we understand we won't continue the prank.

JEREMY

Really you guys agree?

RODNEY

Hell no!

Clyde laughs.

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RODNEY (CONT'D)

When did you grow a soft spot for freshmen?

JEREMY

Listen, you guys he's a really great kid. He doesn't deserve this. He's the reason why I'm going to graduate.

The gang glances over to Tyler who is dancing horridly with Megan.

RODNEY

He does deserve some dancing lessons though. Come on Clyde let's get this over with.

Rodney and Clyde rises from their seats.

CLYDE

Time to fry the bacon!

Rodney and Clyde begins walking to the front of the stage. Jeremy follows them.

JEREMY

Please don't you guys.

CLYDE

Don't worry about it everyone will love you even more after this right?

Clyde walks away, Jeremy solemnly gives in.

INT. PROM/BACKSTAGE - NIGHT

Clyde is backstage making sure a bucket is above the stage and getting a video ready.

INT. PROM ENTRANCE - NIGHT

Rodney walks to the prom voting booth.

RODNEY

Prom king and queen results please?

VOTING BOOTH GUY

Don't mind if I do.

VOTING BOOTH GUY gives Rodney the results and they both SNICKER with each other.

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Rodney walks up to Principal Bowes, who is still flirting with Mrs. Peterson. Rodney hands principal Bowes the envelope and notices the flirting.

RODNEY

Here are the prom king and queen results.

Principal Bowes is taken aback and grabs the envelope.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Thank you.

Rodney stares at principal Bowes for awhile, giving him the "I saw you flirting" look.

PRINCIPAL BOWES (CONT'D)

What? I'm not dead yet.

Principal Bowes walks off.

INT. DANCE ROOM STAGE - NIGHT

Principal Bowes is walking on stage getting ready to make his announcement. He speaks into the micro phone.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Can I have everyone's attention please?

Everyone becomes silent and looks up at Principal Bowes.

PRINCIPAL BOWES (CONT'D)

Are you all having fun!?

Everyone at prom cheers.

PRINCIPAL BOWES (CONT'D)

Good, glad to hear it. Now, I know this is prom. Don't think I don't know what you guys are thinking about after prom. I was once your age too. There ought to be no parties, no buying alcohol with your fake I.D.'s, no getting wasted, no hotel reservations, and absolutely no sex! After prom you go to IHOP get yourself a pancake and nice glass of orange juice. After that you go to bed. Understood?

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EVERYONE
Understood!

PRINCIPAL BOWES
Good, it is now time for me to
announce the Prom King and Queen...

Rodney runs on stage and taps Principal Bowes on the shoulder
and whispers in his ear.

RODNEY
Principal Bowes, there is a fight
near the boys restrooms!

PRINCIPAL BOWES
Aw shucks.

PRINCIPAL BOWES (CONT'D)
(in the microphone)
This young man will read the
results, I'll be right back.

Principal Bowes hands Rodney the results, rushes off the
stage, and speaks into his walkie talkie.

PRINCIPAL BOWES (CONT'D)
(in the walkie talkie)
Fight near the boy's bathroom I
need back up!

All of the teachers head towards the door. We spot Couch
Challis with a plate full of food walking towards the door,
angry as always.

COACH CHALLIS
God dammit! I can't even enjoy my
god damn food! Why can't these
teenagers just get along got
dammit!

All of the teachers exit the ball room; Clyde closes the
entrance door and locks it.

Rodney opens the envelope and unfolds the paper, it is blank.

RODNEY
Our prom king and queen is Meagan
Cox and Tyler Pittman!!!

There is a huge round of applause and snide snickers from the
crowd.

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Tyler is stunned and elated; he walks up to the stage with Megan.

TYLER (V.O.)

What!? Me? This has got to be a mistake. The seniors love me so much that they voted me their prom king?

Tyler walks up on stage everyone is applauding him and Megan.

Clyde is backstage holding a remote control, clicks a button, and a projection screen is declining from the ceiling on the front stage.

RODNEY

This is a very special message from your "brother" Jeremy.

Rodney cues Clyde. Clyde presses another button and a video begins to play, it projects a head shot of Jeremy.

JEREMY (ON SCREEN)

Hello, Tyler congratulations on winning Prom King! I bet this whole time you were hanging out with the seniors you thought you were pretty awesome huh? Unfortunately for you it has all been a lie. You see, this has been our senior prank. Clyde, Rodney, and I but mostly I came up with the idea to pick the most pathetic freshman and to hang out with him all year to make him think that he is one of us, we decided that we'll invite him to prom and announce the prank there. That pathetic freshman is you my friend.

Jeremy laughs in the video.

INT. PROM STAGE - NIGHT

Tyler frantically looks for Jeremy in the audience. He sees Jeremy looking apologetic.

JEREMY (ON SCREEN CONT)

And pathetic you are mister. It's quite funny how desperate you are just to be cool I mean you even left your old friends just to hang with us.

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JEREMY (ON SCREEN CONT) (CONT'D)

Sorry to tell you but those were your only friends buddy because Clyde doesn't like you, Rodney doesn't like you, I don't like you and oh yeah your prom date doesn't like you either she only agreed because I promised her that she'll get a job working for my dad.

Tyler looks at Megan stunned. Megan smiles at him innocently and shrugs.

JEREMY (ON SCREEN) (CONT'D)

You remember when your first instinct told you that it was prank, maybe you should have listened to it and do you remember when every time you were around someone was snickering and you'll get paranoid, yeah they were snickering at you. So let this be a lesson to you, don't ever think that a desperate, low life freshmen can ever be friends with the coolest seniors. It just doesn't work that way in high school.

INT. PROM/BACKSTAGE - NIGHT

Clyde pulls on a rope.

INT. PROM STAGE - NIGHT

The bucket above Tyler's head tilts over and meat juice pours all over Tyler. He is drenched in it.

The crowd laughs hysterically.

JEREMEY (ON SCREEN)

You have a nice cry.

Jeremy disappears from the screen.

Tyler is dumbfounded and his eyes are full of water. He looks out at the audience, everyone laughs at him, everything is in slow motion.

TYLER (V.O.)

If I had telekinesis powers this would be the part I get my revenge and slaughter everyone at prom...

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Tyler looks angry now; all the lights in prom transition to red, an explosion happens and a huge fire starts, everyone runs in terror and screams.

TYLER (V.O.)
Unfortunately, this is reality.

INT. PROM STAGE - NIGHT

Back to the present. Tyler stands soaked in meat juice, defeated.

TYLER (V.O.)
This can't be true. Are you telling me that everything was just a lie? My friends? My popularity, my date, everything!? I don't know how to describe this feeling right now. My body is so heated. Feels like my whole body just caught on fire, partly from the harsh embarrassment and partly from anger. How could Jeremy do this to me? I thought he was my friend but most importantly I thought her was my brother.

Rodney kicks Tyler off stage. Tyler rises up and runs through the crowd. The camera is in slow motion.

All of the seniors around him are throwing things at him such as drinks and food. They are laughing at him and calling him names such as "loser" and "pathetic".

There are tears coming from Tyler's eyes.

CLYDE
Smile for the camera!

Clyde snaps a photo of Tyler.

The screen is all black and we see the photo:

In the photo, Tyler's face is wet from tears and his mouth his wide open. He looks petrified but in a comedic way.

INT. LOUNGE AREA - NIGHT

Tyler enters the lounge area and is running to the door. Jeremy is running after Tyler.

JEREMY
Tyler, wait!

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TYLER

Don't talk to me you asshole!

JEREMY

Please wait!

TYLER

What? Is this the part you're supposed to apologize? Just save it! Okay it's probably a lie just like this whole year has been!

JEREMY

You don't understand I didn't want this to happen.

TYLER

Then why did it happen?

JEREMY

Because-

TYLER

You know what? I hope you feel better now. Congratulations you've tricked the most pathetic freshman to think that he's cool with the seniors. Woooooo! What are you going to gain from that? Praise in high school? Well let me tell you something that you might not have noticed before, high school is temporary and you being a senior should know that. Instead of wasting time pranking me, why didn't you just go, I don't know, Plan your future? Apply for a college? What are your plans after high school?

JEREMY

Uhhhh...

TYLER

Oh I know! Free load off of your father's money just like your mom!

JERMEY

Don't talk about my mother.

TYLER

You're just a pretentious, selfish, spoiled asshole!

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TYLER (CONT'D)

I'm the reason why you're
graduating this year and this is
how you thank me?

Jeremy looks guiltily at Tyler.

TYLER (CONT'D)

You know what? It doesn't even
matter because you're obviously not
going to amount to anything after
high school. Enjoy your last month
here because after this, you're
going to be shit!

Tyler stomps away and leaves the building. Jeremy looks
dejected.

INT. DANCE ROOM - NIGHT

Jeremy sits with Rodney and Clyde. Three SENIORS walk by
Jeremy to congratulate him.

SENIOR #1

Dude, you're a freaking genius,
best senior prank ever!

SENIOR #2

Haha! I know! That freshman had it
coming!

SENIOR #3

I bet that freshman is home now
trying to hang himself!

They all laugh, including Clyde and Rodney. Jeremy looks more
upset.

JEREMY

I've got to go.

CYLDE

Where are you going?

Jeremy gets up and leaves the dance hall without answering.
Rodney and Clyde look at each other in confusion.

EXT. PARKING LOT - NIGHT

Jeremy waves down a taxi. The taxi stops and Jeremy gets in.
The taxi begins driving and Jeremy is staring out of the
window in his own thoughts, shedding a tear.

INT. JERMEY'S MANSION - NIGHT

Jeremy walks inside of the mansion running upstairs. Mr. O'Neal sees him.

MR. O'NEAL

You're back? Prom can't be over already.

JEREMY

I'm not feeling good.

MR. O'NEAL

But it's prom. It's supposed to be the best night of your life.

JEREMY

Are you saying that I might as well live it up now because after this I'm going to be shit?

MR. O'NEAL

What the ham and cheese sandwich are you talking about son?

JEREMY

Just forget it, goodnight.

Jeremy runs to his room and slams the door.

INT. TYLER'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Tyler storms into the house. His face is angry and full of tears. He's still drenched in meat juice. His mother see's him.

VALERIE

Oh, god Tyler what happened?

Tyler says nothing and goes inside his room and slams the door.

INT. JEREMY'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Jeremy is lying on his bed. He seems very distant in thought. He hears a knock on his door.

JEREMY

Stay out!

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal walk in.

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MRS. O'NEAL
Your father told me you seemed
upset so we came up here to check
up on you.

JEREMY
I'm fine, go away.

MR. O'NEAL
Son, if you need to talk to us-

JEREMY
I said I'm fine, now leave.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal walk to the door.

MRS. O'NEAL
(to Mr. O'Neal)
You know, it's your fault he's such
a douche.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal is about to exit the door.

JEREMY
Wait.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal pause and turns to Jeremy.

JEREMY (CONT'D)
Where do you guys see me ten years
from now?

MR. O'NEAL
(confused)
What?

JEREMY
Where do you seem me ten years from
now? You know, career wise.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal are both "umming".

MRS. O'NEAL
(thinking)
Ummm, successful of course.

JEREMY
Doing what?

MRS. O'NEAL
Uhhh, playing football for the NFL.

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JEREMY

Mom, let's get real here. The chances are slim to none.

MR. O'NEAL

Well, if all fails you can work for me.

JEREMY

Eww, come on dad.

MR. O'NEAL

What? We need more male actors and you have the body for it. I'm just putting it out there.

JEREMY

Get out.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal both exit out of the door.

INT. TYLER'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Tyler is on his bed crying. He hears a knock on the door. He wipes his tears.

TYLER

Come in.

Valerie enters the room looking worried and concerned.

VALERIE

What happened dear?

TYLER

Don't worry about me I'm fine.

VALERIE

No you're not, look at you, you look a mess and you smell like raw pork chops.

Tyler hesitates.

TYLER

Mom, please don't get mad at me but...

VALERIE

But what?

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TYLER

Today when I left the house, I didn't hang out with Samantha and Dean. I went to go hang out with those seniors to go to prom.

VALERIE

What!?

TYLER

And do you remember that party I was trying to go to last semester?

VALERIE

Yes?

TYLER

Well, I went to that party and plenty more. Every time I left the house saying I was hanging with Dean and Samantha I was actually hanging out with the seniors.

Valerie is speechless.

VALERIE

How could you do this? Disobeying me like that.

TYLER

I know and I'm sorry and don't worry I already received my punishment. Tonight I found out that they were using me for their senior prank. This whole entire year they pretended to like me just to announce to me that it was a prank in front of the whole prom. They just wanted to make a fool out of me and to make matters worse. I have no friends left. The seniors weren't really my friends and my real friends hate me because I ditched them.

VALERIE

Sounds like you deserved it?

TYLER

Yeah, I guess you're right.

Tyler slouches his head.

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VALERIE

Don't worry about it, we all make mistakes if they are your real friends they'll forgive you, trust me. I forgive you.

TYLER

Really?

VALERIE

Well of course. You're still grounded though.

TYLER

What!?

Valerie walks towards the door.

VALERIE

Good night.

She leaves Tyler's room closing the door behind her. Tyler signs and puts a pillow over his head and screams into it.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL/HALLWAY - MORNING

Tyler is moping around the halls depressed.

TYLER (V.O.)

On Monday, it felt like a huge gray Columbus cloud was hovering over me the entire day.

There are posters of Tyler's petrified face at prom posted all over the school.

The poster says "SENIOR PRANK: WE MADE THIS LOSER FRESHMAN THINK HE WAS ONE OF US! HAHA!"

Everyone is pointing and laughing, and making comments at him.

INT. SCHOOL'S HALLWAY - DAY

Tyler sees Samantha and Dean, and walks towards them.

TYLER (V.O.)

Samantha and Dean still didn't want to talk to me.

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TYLER

Samantha, Dean, you guys were right about the prank and I'm super sorry and I was wondering if you'll forgive me.

Samantha and Dean ignore him and walk away.

INT. CAFETERIA - DAY

Tyler is getting out of the lunch line looking for somewhere to sit but has no luck.

TYLER (V.O)

And when it was lunchtime I had nowhere to sit.

Tyler looks over to the seniors they are all laughing at him still. Tyler storms outside.

EXT. COURTYARD - AFTERNOON

Tyler sees Dean and Samantha but as soon as they see him they walk away.

Tyler is forced to sit with the LONERS, one hisses at him again.

INT. SCHOOL'S HALLYWAY - DAY

Tyler is walking to the restroom.

TYLER (V.O.)

And to avoid Jeremy and the gang I skipped gym class today. I decided to hang out in the restroom to study for finals instead.

INT. SCHOOL'S BOYS RESTROOM - DAY.

Tyler sits in a bathroom stall and pulls out some books. Someone is having really bad diarrhea in the stall next to him. Tyler makes a disgusted face and leaves the restroom.

TYLER (V.O.)

Or maybe I should just go to the library.

INT. LOCKER ROOM - DAY

Gym class is over, Jeremy, Rodney and Clyde are packing things into their bags.

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An OFFICE ASSISTANT enters the locker room and gives Coach Challis a note.

COUCH CHALLIS

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde go to the
got damn principal's office got
damn it!

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde all look at each other in
confusion.

INT. SCHOOL'S HALLWAY - DAY

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde are all walking to Principal's
Bowes office. Clyde is obviously nervous.

CLYDE

I'm scared, do you think he knows?

RODNEY

No, this can't be about the prank.

CLYDE

Oh, God what if we go to jail?!

RODNEY

Calm down!

CLYDE

What if we get life in prison! Oh
God please forgive me!

RODNEY

Dude, calm down. Jeremy, what do
you think this is about?

JEREMY

I'm sure whatever it is we deserve
the punishment we get.

The gang reaches the principal's office. Clyde takes a deep
breath before entering.

INT. PRINCIPAL'S BOWES OFFICE - DAY

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde walk in. Principal Bowes is sitting
at his desk. Clyde sits down.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Take a seat boys.

Rodney and Jeremy takes a seat.

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CLYDE

Thanks Mr. Bowes but I'm already seated.

Principal Bowes stares at Clyde for awhile, then he pulls out one Tyler's posters.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Could you boys mind explaining to me what this is?

CLYDE

It's a poster. It's made to be hung up on walls for decoration.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Why does it say "Senior Prank: We made this loser freshman think he was one of us. Haha."

Rodney snickers.

RODNEY

It's funny right?

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Haha. I've been asking students around the school about these posters and all of their answers points to the three of you. I found it funny that on prom night, Rodney, you told me that there was a fight near the boy's restroom, there was no fight. After realizing there was no fight the other teachers and I tried to come back inside but for some reason the doors were locked...

CLYDE

(proudly)

Yeah I did that.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

So I walked to the lobby to enter the dance room from the front door and saw you Jeremy and this freshman in some kind of confrontation.

JEREMY

Really? I didn't see you.

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PRINCIPAL BOWES

He said you're going to be shit
after you graduate.

JEREMY

Yeah you were there.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

So what exactly was this senior
prank about?

JEREMY

The poster says it all. The three
of us hung out with this freshman
all year to make him think that he
was one of us. On prom night we
announced to him that it was a lie,
we didn't want the teachers to know
that's why Rodney told you there
was a fight.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

Real mature guys. I am so sick of
the freshman bullying going around
at this school. These poor
freshmen, you seniors ought to be
ashamed of yourselves.

EXT. BUS RAMP - AFTERNOON

Tyler is walking to the bus ramp and there are three seniors
making fun of him. Tyler ignores them, he looks depressed.

SENIOR #1

Hey freshmen, still think you're
cool!?

SENIOR #2

Haha! They got you good loser!

TYLER

Just leave me alone!

INT. PRINCIPAL'S BOWES OFFICE - DAY

Jeremy, Rodney and Clyde are all sitting down. Principal
Bowes is talking.

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PRINCIPAL BOWES

For your punishment you will have after school detention for the rest of the school year, you will be helping the custodians clean the cafeteria and help them clean the rest of the school year; including those wastelands you call restrooms. Understood?

JEREMEY RODNEY CLYDE

(pouty)
Understood.

RODNEY

Why the harsh punishment?

EXT. BUS RAMP - AFTERNOON

Tyler is still walking, his eyes are a bit watery.

SENIOR # 2

Awww, look at the baby crying!

SENIOR #3

Yeah, you might as well kill yourself!

Tyler is obviously ignoring them whipping his tears and not paying attention to where he is walking.

A bus is coming towards Tyler. The bus screeches trying to break but it's too late.

Tyler is hit by the bus and he passes out. The driver gets out of the bus, she is frantic.

Everyone that saw it gathers around Tyler's body.

INT. PRINCIPAL BOWES OFFICE - DAY

Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde are all seated clearly not happy about the punishment.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

You don't joke around with people emotions like that. Especially not at his age, do you know how fragile freshmen are?

JEREMY

You don't think he'll try to, you know.

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PRINCIPAL BOWES

All I'm saying is that's why I can't take it lightly. There have been many freshmen coming to see our guidance counselor because of bullying. Some who have contemplated suicide. Now I'm going to bring in this kid so you can apologize to him face to face.

An OFFICE ASSISTANT burst in the room.

OFFICE ASSISTANT

Mr. Bowes. Quick! A student just got hit by a bus!

Principal Bowes looks confused.

EXT. BUS RAMP - DAY

Principal Bowes, Jeremy, Rodney, Clyde and the office assistant are all running to the bus ramp.

They see a group of students, barraged through the crowd, and see Tyler on the ground passed out. They are all shocked.

PRINCIPAL BOWES

What happened out here?

SENIOR #1

This kid just ran in front of the bus.

SENIOR #2

Yeah, Mr. Bowes it looked like no accident.

SENIOR #3

We think he just tried to kill himself.

The crowd starts to murmur to themselves "oh my gods".

PRINCIPAL BOWES

I'll call the ambulance.

He grabs his phone from his pocket and calls the paramedics. The crowd continues to murmur.

Jeremy is bamboozled. The scene fades out.

EXT. TYLER'S FUNERAL - DAY

Fading into a new scene, the sun is shining brightly. Jeremy, Rodney, and Clyde are all sitting next to each other.

Jeremy notices that everyone is wearing all black and everyone around him is mourning, including Rodney and Clyde.

PASTOR

And now it's time for the mother of the deceased to come and make a few remarks.

Valerie walks up to front with Dylan right behind her. Both of them are crying.

Valerie finally reaches the poppet. Jeremy notices the open casket up front and sees Tyler laying there dead.

JEREMY

(to himself)
Tyler!?

VALERIE

(speaking into the
microphone)
Good evening.

EVERYONE

Good evening.

VALERIE

Well, what can I say about Tyler? He was my son, my oldest son. He was always very responsible and so eager for school. When he finally graduated middle school I remembered how happy he was. Then, as the summer got shorter and shorter the less eager he became and the more scared he became. He would come and tell me about all the nightmares he would have about high school. I would always tell him trust me, high school is not that bad. Yeah, they might pick on you but that's it and I laughed about it, now look at him, he's dead and he'll never comeback. I have to bury my oldest son. Never in a million years have I thought that it would go to this extreme.

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VALERIE (CONT'D)

My son committing suicide over a
juvenile prank!

Rodney and Clyde mourned louder. Jeremy is still confused.

VALERIE (CONT'D)

Is there anything you'll like to
say!? You monster!

Valerie is staring straight at Jeremy. Jeremy is still lost.

VALERIE (CONT'D)

Instead of sitting there looking
stupid, how about you bring my son
back!

Dylan run to Jeremy and begins punching him.

DYALN

I want my brother back you big
meanie! I want my brother back!

JEREMY

Wait, Tyler's dead!? He really did
committed suicide!? This can't be
true it was just a joke.

SAMANTHA

You think this is a joke!?

Jeremy turns around and notices that Samantha was to his left
and Dean was sitting right next to her. Samantha is crying
and Dean was eating an apple fritter.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

You really think this is a joke!?

DEAN

(face stuffed)
He was our best friend!

VALERIE

He was my son!

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal were in front of Jeremy sitting next to
each other. They turn around crying.

MR. O'NEAL

How could you do this son?

MRS. O'NEAL

We thought we taught you better
than this, this breaks our heart.

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Everyone at the funeral "boos" Jeremy.

JEREMY

No, I didn't mean it like that.

Dylan continues to hit Jeremy.

DYLAN

I want my brother back you big
meanie!

The crowd at the funeral begin to throw food at Jeremy. Jeremy gets out of his seat, trying to escape from the food being thrown at him. Everyone gets closer. Samantha and Dean are throwing food at him. Clyde and Rodney are throwing food at him also.

JEREMY

Stop it I didn't mean for this to
happen!

Everyone is still "booing him" and throwing food.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

Stop! Please forgive me! I didn't
mean for this to happen!

Jeremy looks out on the crowd and sees Tyler standing up, he's alive.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

TYLER!!!

INT. HOSPITAL ROOM - NIGHT

Jeremy wakes up sweating and is frantic. He sees Tyler right next to him wearing a hospital gown.

TYLER

Dude, calm down I'm right here.

JEREMY

Holy shit! You're alive!

TYLER

Yeah, why wouldn't I be?

Jeremy rises up and hugs Tyler. Tyler is confused and is looking at Jeremy awkwardly.

JEREMY

But you were dead!

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Now Jeremy is touching Tyler's face, then the rest of his body to make sure it's all reality.

TYLER

Huh?

JEREMY

You were dead! I was at your funeral and your mom, brother; Dean and Samantha were all super pissed at me. Then everyone at your funeral started throwing food at me and somehow at the end you came back alive and I tried running to you but you only got further away and next thing I knew you disappeared.

TYLER

Then you started screaming my name, no pun intended.

JEREMY

I was screaming aloud?

TYLER

Yeah.

JEREMY

Dude, what the hell is going on right now?

TYLER

We'll, I'm in the hospital because I was hit by a bus. Next thing I knew I woke up here. The doctor told me that I was ran over, it knocked me out and fractured my leg.

Tyler signals to the cast on his leg.

TYLER (V.O) (CONT'D)

And don't worry my mother is not pissed at you. She actually just came by to check on me. She was a bit frantic but once the doctor convinced her that I was going to be okay she stayed with me for about an hour then she left to go back to work. I have to stay in the hospital tonight so they can do some additional testing.

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TYLER (V.O) (CONT'D)

But anyway, why would you think my mom would be mad at you? She should be angry at me for not watching where I was walking.

JEREMY

Well, everyone at school was saying that you were so upset about the prank you tried jumping in front of the bus to kill yourself.

TYLER

For the last time, I Tyler Alan Pittman did not try to kill myself! The doctors asked me because that's what the school was saying and then my mom asked me and now you! Did I ever appear suicidal to you?!

JEREMEY

I'm sorry just making sure. I was worried that's all.

TYLER

I'm sorry I'm a little irate right now, if someone else suggests that I go see a psychiatrist, I will kill myself.

JEREMY

So, are you still, you know, mad at me?

Tyler takes a pause.

TYLER

Well, I definitely lost respect for you and not sure if I can trust you ever again.

Jeremy looks down.

TYLER (CONT'D)

But something happened today that changed my mind.

Jeremy is attentive now.

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TYLER (CONT'D)

The doctor said that while I was knocked out Clyde, Rodney, and Principal Bowes were all here earlier but once the doctors told them that I was going to be fine they all left but he told me that you refused to go until you saw me wake up. You wanted to see for a fact that I was okay.

JEREMY

You have no clue I was so worried, this whole situation just got too crazy for me. I couldn't live with myself knowing someone tried to kill themselves over something I caused.

TYLER

Well, thank you for staying I appreciate it, a lot.

JEREMY

Hey, what are brother's for?

Tyler smiles.

JEREMY (CONT'D)

And thanks for forgiving me.

TYLER

I just want to get all this behind us and just start on a new slate. What's done is done; it's time to move on now.

JEREMY

Agreed.

Tyler and Jeremy pound fists.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

Jeremy is on the T.V. screens around the school.

TYLER (V.O.)

I returned to school, Jeremy asked Principal Bowes if he could make a special morning announcement and Principal Bowes allowed him.

Jeremy is now speaking to the whole school.

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JEREMY

I went to go visit Tyler Pittman in the hospital. He is the freshman who was hit by a bus. There were speculations on whether or not he jumped in front of the car to commit suicide. I talked to him and luckily the rumors are not true. But I kept contemplating what if he did try to commit suicide and what if he was successful? That would be guilt we will have to live with for the rest of our lives. And to all the seniors why do we feel the need to pick on freshman anyway? We are once freshman too. We all remember how terrifying it was. I really think it's because it makes us feel better about ourselves because we're all insecure with ourselves. If you think about it its true. Rodney you're insecure because you're gay but everyone knows that all ready...

INT. RODNEY'S HOMEROOM - DAY

Rodney sinks back in his seat sheepishly. Everyone in the class says: "YEAH DUDE COME OUT ALREADY".

We are now back to Jeremy ON T.V.

JERMEY

And Clyde you're insecure because, well, never mind you have no shame.

INT. CLYDE'S HOMEROOM - DAY

Clyde is digging deep in his nose and eats a booger.

Back to Jeremy on TV.

JEREMY

And I'm insecure because I feel that after I graduate I'm not going to amount to anything. I see someone like Tyler who has so much responsibility and has been through so much. Tyler, it's because of you that I'll be graduating this year and I thank you for that. I also thank you for making me grow up.

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JEREMY (CONT'D)

You always looked at me as a big brother but the truth is you've been more of a big brother to me. I've learned so much from you. I just want you all to know that Tyler is the coolest person I know at this school, even cooler than me and that's saying a lot.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGH SCHOOL - AFTERNOON

Everyone around the school gives Jeremy a round of applause, Tyler smiles.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

Tyler is struggling with his crutches and trying to carry his lunch tray.

SENIOR #1

Here let me help you with that.

SENIOR #2

Come on and sit with us.

SENIOR #3

Do you need help with your crutches?

TYLER

No, I got it, thanks.

TYLER (V.O.)

Jeremy's speech must have given the seniors a change of heart because the rest of the school year they treated us freshmen as actual human beings. We were allowed to sit anywhere in the cafeteria, including with the cool seniors and it wasn't a prank. It was desegregation all over again. MLK didn't die in vain.

TYLER

Thanks, guys but, I'm going to go sit outside. I have some friends waiting for me.

SENIOR #1

Okay, see you around.

Tyler crutches away.

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SENIOR #2

Man, we're so nice, that was nice
right?

EXT. COURTYARD - DAY

Tyler is walking outside in the courtyard.

TYLER (V.O.)

And now it's time to tie up loose
ends.

SAMANTHA

Thank God you're alive!

Samantha practically knocked Tyler over with her hug.

TYLER

Thank you...

Dean sees Tyler and he gasps.

DEAN

Tyler!

Dean is running to Tyler to hug him.

TYLER

NO!!!

Dean tackles Tyler to the ground. Now Dean is on top of Tyler
practically suffocating him.

DEAN

Dude yesterday we thought you were
dead!

Samantha grabs Dean and tries her hardest to pull him off of
Tyler.

SAMANTHA

Now get off him before he really
does die!

Dean gets off Tyler, Tyler rises up, and brushes himself off.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

Dude, we're so sorry we couldn't
come visit you at the hospital. Not
being able to drive yet sucks!

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DEAN

Yeah, it was announced that you were in the hospital and in possible critical condition. Samantha and I wiggled out!

SAMANTHA

Please forgive us we really wanted to come see you.

TYLER

Wait, wait, wait, you mean after the way I've been treating you guys you still wanted to see me?

DEAN

Yeah, man.

SAMANTHA

We love you.

TYLER

I came out here to apologize to you guys. I don't want to hear you guys apologizing. I've been the douche not you.

DEAN

Yeah, man a total douche. You made Hitler look like Gandhi.

TYLER

Ouch, that hurts but I deserved it and I'm sorry, very sorry. I don't know what came over me, I -

SAMANTHA

Okay, okay we get it. You were hanging out with the wrong crowd and now you realize that Dean and I were your real friends all along.

TYLER

Yeah that pretty much sums it up.

SAMANTHA

Well, you finding out that the whole senior class was pulling a prank on you is satisfying punishment so we forgive you.

TYLER

Thanks, I guess.

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DEAN

Awww, do I feel a group hug coming along?

Samantha, Dean, and Tyler all group hug. Dean is still holding on. Tyler and Samantha are trying to escape.

SAMANTHA

Okay, you can let go now Dean.

INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY

The senior class is graduating. Tyler is sitting with Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal.

TYLER (V.O.)

When it was time for senior graduation I was there to support Clyde, Rodney, and Jeremy.

Jeremy walks up on stage. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal, cheers him on.

INT. HARVARD UNIVERSITY - DAY

Clyde is wearing a white lab coat with goggles, mixing chemicals together in beakers.

TYLER (V.O.)

After graduation Clyde got accepted to Harvard University to study Chemistry. Turns out he's quite the scientific genius.

INT. LIM COLLEGE/CLASSROOM - DAY

Rodney is pinning a dress on a girl, he's really into it.

TYLER (V.O.)

As for Rodney, he was going to Harrington University to major in Business but ever since his coming out experience he wanted to do what he always dreamed, so now he's attending LIM College, one of the best fashion schools in New York to become a fashion designer.

He finishes pinning a dress on his model, takes a step back and looks satisfied.

TYLER (V.O.)

Girl, you better work that dress!

INT. MOVIE SET - DAY

Mr. O'Neal is in the director's seat, studio lights are surrounding Megan Cox, she is lying on a bed.

TYLER (V.O.)
 Jeremy decided that college wasn't
 for him. So he took his dad's
 offer, along with Megan...

Jeremy walks into the set. We see his underwear drop to his ankles. Megan smirks with satisfaction.

MR. O'NEAL
 And action!

TYLER (V.O.)
 At least he found something else he
 is good at.

INT. SOUTH BAY HIGHSCHOOL HALLWAY - MORNING

Tyler is walking down the hall.

TYLER (V.O.)
 Jeremy and I continued to talk and
 still hang out when he's not busy
 with his films and oh yeah Samantha
 and I started dating...

Samantha meets Tyler in the hallway. They kiss each other and held each other's hand.

Dean walks up to them. Dean has a freshman behind him,
 GREGORY.

SAMANTHA
 Who's that behind you?

DEAN
 Oh, this is Gregory he is a
 freshman. Gregory this is Tyler and
 Samantha. He asked me where his
 class is and I'm going to show him.
 You guys should come with.

TYLER
 Yeah, why not, we still have about
 15 minutes until class starts.

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DEAN

Cool, he could use more friends and I even invited him to have lunch with us.

SAMANTHA

Awesome, nice to meet you Gregory but we better get going or you're going to be late.

Samantha begins walking and everyone follows.

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

As the group walks through the hallway together, Tyler notices that the SENIORS are helping FRESHMEN all over. It looks peaceful.

TYLER (V.O.)

This school year South Bay High School was a totally different place. There were no freshmen being dumped into ponds, being tripped in the hallways, being stuffed in the lockers or receiving wedgies. The seniors finally allowed the freshmen to live in peace.

Gregory taps Tyler.

GREGORY

Hey, Tyler do I have to worry about, you know the seniors?

Tyler smirks.

TYLER

No not at this school.

Gregory looks relieved, Tyler smiles.

TYLER (V.O.)

Maybe jumping in front of that bus was a good idea after all...

Tyler looks at the camera, smirks, and giggles.

TYLER (V.O.)

Come on, where's your sense of humor?

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FADE OUT.