

THE PICKUP

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INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - AFTERNOON

DEVIN, 18, wakes up in his room. The afternoon sunlight shines bright onto his face. He rubs his face & goes down stairs.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

He walks into the kitchen to find his two best friends eating cereal, ALVIN, 18, similar, but geeky built to Devin and MAX, also 18.

ALVIN
Look who finally woke up.

MAX
(mouth still full)
Devin!

DEVIN
(startled)
What you doing in my house!?!

ALVIN
We slept over remember?

DEVIN
I thought you went to get your rubber blanket. I waited two hours, and you never came back.

Devin grabs a bowl and pours himself some cereal.

MAX
We stopped off at the party.

DEVIN
What party?

ALVIN
Thorne's.

DEVIN
Thorne threw another party? I thought his place got shut down.

ALVIN
It did, but he got his permit and his parent's paid off the fine.

DEVIN

Oh.

(beat)

So, how was it?

MAX

We couldn't stay long, we kinda got kicked out.

DEVIN

(knowingly)

Really?

ALVIN

We snuck in.

FLASHBACK

Alvin and Max are jumping fences through various backyards. Alvin falls over and tears his shoelace. He once again finds himself in trouble after his pants get caught on the top of the fence. They sneak in through the back door and try to fade into the scene. The place is packed. The pop MUSIC is BLARING, and only the hottest girls as far as the eye could see.

The boys grabs drinks and begin dancing awkwardly, but being themselves, thus crashing the party. Eventually, THORNE a typical high school jock, grabs them both by the of their shirts and toss them out leading in dog poop and various other obscene things on the lawn.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

DEVIN

Wow.

MAX

Yep, fun night though.

DEVIN

Was Eva there?

ALVIN

Eva Mendes? Of course not.

DEVIN

Really? Eva Underwood.

ALVIN

I think so. Why do you care?

MAX

Because Devin likes her.

DEVIN

So what?

Alvin gets up to put his dishes away.

ALVIN

Devin, we're seniors. You've had a crush on her since the 8th grade. Make a move or get over it.

DEVIN

I know, but I'm just waiting for the right moment. The perfect moment.

MAX

There's no such thing as the right moment.

DEVIN

Ah, yes there is. And I know exactly how to create it.

ALVIN

How?

DEVIN

You'll see Monday.

INT. SCHOOL - MORNING

TITLE CARD UP: MONDAY

Devin is standing around talking to Max and Alvin and the rest of the computer club. About 10-15 students, your typical nerdy bunch. Alvin is giving one of the guys STEVEN a hard time.

ALVIN

That doesn't matter, because we got in. And partied. What have you guys done?

Devin awkwardly sips his fruit juice.

ALVIN (CONT'D)

Yeah. Right. You know what Steven why don't you-

(MORE)

ALVIN (CONT'D)

(beat)

Devin there she is!

Alvin hits Devin making him choke on his juice.

STEVEN

There's who?

ALVIN

In Devin's imagination, his soon-be-girlfriend.

ALVIN (CONT'D)

(to Devin)

Go talk to her.

Devin jitters awkwardly debating whether or not to make a move.

DEVIN

I don't know. Maybe- I don't know.

STEVEN

She's just a girl.

ALVIN

Steven butt out. How many girlfriends have you had this year?

STEVEN

How many have you?

ALVIN

(stares)

That's not the point. Devin you have to go talk to her. Now!

EVA UNDERWOOD, senior, tall, olive skin, and beautiful. She walks by without even glancing at Devin and his friends.

ALVIN (CONT'D)

Here's your chance, go!

Alvin pushes Devin, he lands right in front of Eva.

EVA

(stumbles a bit, but smiles)

Hi.

Devin tries to build up the courage, he fiddles with his hands and tries to find words. He breathes in and closes his eyes. Eva looks down and notices a yellow pool of urine coming toward her.

EVA (CONT'D)

Oh my god!
 (she shoves Devin out of
 the way)
 That is so gross!

The crowd of students burst into laughter.

Devin runs, embarrassed and angrily into a nearby bathroom.

INT. DEVIN'S HOUSE - AFTERNOON

Max and Alvin arrive at Devin's house to check on him.

They go up the stairs knock on his door.

ALVIN

Devin?
 (knocks again)
 Devin?

MAX

Come on Dev. It's not that big a deal.

ALVIN

(whispers to Max)
 It kinda is. He did pee himself in front of his love. Everybody's talking about it.

He and Max begin to quietly argue about whether or not it's a big deal to pee your pants.

Devin opens the door.

DEVIN

What?

MAX

Are you OK?

DEVIN

Why wouldn't I be? I mean, I just wet myself in front of a girl.

ALVIN

(repeating himself)
 Everybody's talking about it.

Max hits him.

DEVIN
(going over to his
computer desk)
It's OK, at least people are
talking about me for the first time
in my life.

They walk into the room.

ALVIN
So whatcha doing?

DEVIN
Research.

MAX
(flops on the bed)
On?

DEVIN
Picking up girls.

ALVIN
Really?

DEVIN
Yep, I found this poem online that
if you say to any girl. They'll
fall in love with you. But, It's
the way you say it. It's hypnotic.

MAX
(laughs)
You can't be serious.

DEVIN
I am. It was developed by a
hypnosis in New Orleans. Thousands
of guys are using it.

ALVIN
What is it?

DEVIN
Rose are red, violets are blue.
Opposites attract, so what's your
excuse?

ALVIN
That's it?

DEVIN

It's all about eye contact though.
You can't break it. I'm going to
say it to Eva tomorrow.

MAX

You sure you wanna go back?

DEVIN

(smirks confidently)
I'm sure. I'll be fine. I got the
poem.

INT. EVA'S LOCKER - MORNING

TITLE CARD UP: TUESDAY

Eva is getting books from her locker. Devin is watching from
a far, he is repeating the poem to himself. He makes his
move.

DEVIN

(rushes & makes strong eye
contact; not blinking)
Rose are red, violets are blue.
Opposites attract, so what's your
excuse!?!)

Devin is trying hard not to blink, he does so.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(about to cry)
Ah, man. Gosh!!

EVA

(closes her locker)
OK.

She rushes off freaked out.

INT. HOME EC - LATER

Devin comes into Home EC and goes behind the counter with his
partner Max.

MAX

So. How'd it go?

DEVIN

I think peeing myself turned out
better.

MAX

What happened?

DEVIN

I said the poem and creaped her out. Yep, went exactly as planned.

MAX

Don't get yourself down. If it means anything, I knew it was going to work.

The teacher walks in and they begin their work for the day.

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

Devin is in the kitchen on his laptop, reading through come of the comments about the poem. They sum up that you'd have to be an idiot to use it.

Devin's mom walks in.

MOM

It's getting pretty late. You better get up to bed.

DEVIN

I'm not going to school tomorrow.

MOM

Why not?

He shuts his laptop.

DEVIN

Mom, how do you tell a girl you like her? Because for the past two days I've embarrassed myself trying to talk this girl and it's sucks.

Devin's mom runs over.

MOM

(hugging him tightly)
Aww! I knew this day would come! My little Devin likes a girl!

DEVIN

Mom! It's not that big a deal!

Devin breaks free.

MOM

I know, but I'm so happy! What's her name!?!

DEVIN

Eva Underwood.

MOM

I think I've heard of her. Cheerleader right?

DEVIN

That is correct.

MOM

What does she look like?

DEVIN

Does it matter?

MOM

No, but she has to have a Facebook profile or the bird thing.

DEVIN

Twitter. And yeah she has a Facebook.

He pulls it up on his laptop.

MOM

Wow, she's pretty.
(shuts the lid)
Buy her a bouquet of flowers.
Roses.

DEVIN

You think that'll work?

MOM

I'm positive. Now, up to bed.

INT. EVA'S LOCKER - MORNING

TITLE CARD UP: WEDNESDAY

Devin struggles with the lock on Eva's locker. People are staring, he finally gets it open, puts the bouquet of red roses in, and runs behind a garbage can.

Eva opens her locker and notices the bouquet, and reads the note. She sighs and throws them in the trash where Devin is hiding.

He looks disappointed.

INT. HOME - AFTERNOON

Devin walks into his home. His Mom is having her book club meeting, 6 middle aged women.

His mom jumps up.

MOM
(excited)
So? How'd it go!?!

DEVIN
Do you like chewed gum, empty bottles, and used tissues with your roses? Because, if you do then it went fantastic.

MOM
(hugs him)
I'm sorry. I thought it would work, but I have another idea.

DEVIN
Mom, it's OK. I'm over it. It's not worth the shame anymore.

MOM
But, Devin-

DEVIN
Mom, just drop it. I'll be up in my room.

Devin goes up the stairs.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Devin throws his backpack onto his bed and get's in front of his computer.

He opens his laptop and sees that Eva's Facebook profile is still open. He stares at it.

DEVIN
Why is picking up girls such a mystery?

He opens a new tab and goes to Google.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(while typing)
Why is picking up girls a mystery?

He sees links to the Mystery Method, clicks, and sees the site. He watches the video on MYSTERY explaining how he seduces women all around the world, and how he too can achieve that status. Devin natively gets pumped and orders the book.

Devin goes back to the Facebook profile, pauses for a second and close it.

EXT. DEVIN GOING TO SCHOOL - THE NEXT MORNING

Devin opens the door to go to his car for school.

He trips of a package outside, he reads the label and sees that it's the book and DVDs he ordered. The Mystery Method.

DEVIN
Yes!

He hides the package in his backpack and goes back inside.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Devin walks into the kitchen where his mom is cleaning up.

Devin starts groaning.

MOM
Devin? What's wrong?

DEVIN
I don't feel so good.

MOM
What's wrong? Drink some juice.

He goes over to the center bar and drinks the juice his mother pours for him.

MOM (CONT'D)
How do you feel now?

DEVIN
Awful. My head is pounding and my stomach feels sour.

MOM

You poor thing. Go on up to your room and rest up. I have to go to work, but I'll be home as soon as possible.

DEVIN

Mom, but I have to go to school. We have end of course tests today-
(fakes hacks)
Oh god!

He runs into the bathroom and slams the door.

INT. BATHROOM - CONTINUOUS

Devin is faking vomiting sounds and using the toilet plunger to swish the water around.

MOM (O.S.)

Devin? Honey? Are you OK?

DEVIN

Yeah, Mom I'm fine. Just-
(continues to fake vomiting)
Getting it out of my system!

MOM

Should I stay home from work?

DEVIN

(catching his breath)
No! Mom. Go, if I need anything I'll just call Grandma.

MOM

Alright, I love you~

DEVIN

Same here. Have a good-
(vomits more)
Day.

He moves closer to the door to hear if his mom is gone. He hears the front door shut.

He begins chuckling and exits the bathroom.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - LATER

Devin lays on his bed with a couple of snacks reading the Mystery Method.

DEVIN
(mouthful)
This is good!

He goes over to his closet and gets out his old Halloween costumes and cuts them up.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
Peacocking. Done.

INT. CAFETERIA - LATER

Devin arrives late for school.

He walks into the cafeteria with this new threads. He dresses sort of in sort of a "emo" and "scene" style.

As he walks by, people are scoffing.

He goes over to the table where Max and Alvin are sitting.

Alvin looks up and notices him.

ALVIN
What. The. He- What happened to you?

DEVIN
(smirking)
Nothing much, just you know.
(sounds the word)
Peacocking.

He sits down.

MAX
Why are you so late?

DEVIN
Had to do a little reading.

ALVIN
On what? Becoming a beautiful disaster?

DEVIN
(laughs)
I'll have you know, I've learned
how to pick up girls from the best.

A group of girls walk by.

GIRL #1
(laughs)
Nice threads Devin.

DEVIN
You know it ladies.

The girls burst into laughter.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
You see, I didn't even know those
girls knew my name!

MAX
Remember Monday?

DEVIN
Right. But, seriously. I'm good.
I've been reading the Mystery
Method.

ALVIN
The Mystery Method?

DEVIN
Yup, by a pickup artist named
Mystery. PUA for short.

ALVIN
And it taught you how to pick up
girls?

DEVIN
Exactly. All I have to do is
Peacock, kino, neg, close and I'm
in. I could go and get any of these
chicks.

ALVIN
Why don't you get her?

DEVIN
Who? It doesn't matter who-

He sees Eva walking into the lunch room with her friends,
they sit at 5 tables down from them.

ALVIN

Well?

DEVIN

(nervously)

I- I got this.

He gets up and goes over to Eva.

He walks up to her table and they stare at him. Her friends scoff.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(smirking)

That shirt is so stupid.

EVA

Excuse me?

DEVIN

You heard me, seriously how to do guys put up with this one? Huh?

(touches her on the arm)

Not the sharpest one in the box.

EVA

You better leave.

DEVIN

Look sweetheart. I'll leave, but only if you put your number in my phone.

Eva stands up.

EVA

Devin, or whatever your name is. I will never date you, you're weird, you hangout with losers and you're a creep. Leave me alone!

She leaves the cafeteria.

Devin stands in disbelief before returning to his seat.

ALVIN

So how-

DEVIN

It didn't work!

Devin gets up and leaves the lunch room, but he walks back in to throw the book away.

INT. WEIGH TRAINING - LATER

Devin and about 8 other guys are lifting weighs in the weigh room.

Devin completes his set and puts his plates back on the rack on the other side of the room.

He spots Thorne, blonde, tall, and a lady getter. Devin awkwardly tries not to make eye contract. While holding his head down he misplaces the plate and it drops on his foot. He yells, picks it up, and puts it back.

THORNE
Spot me, bro?

DEVIN
(stumbles)
M-me?

THORNE
Sure?

Devin goes over and Thorne begins lifting.

THORNE (CONT'D)
(lifting)
You're that Devin kid right?

DEVIN
Yea.

THORNE
What's up with that whole emo thing
at lunch?

DEVIN
I don't know.

Thorne reaches his max reps and puts the bar on the bench.

He sits up and faces Devin.

THORNE
Come on man, you can tell me.

DEVIN
(awkwardly laughs)
I don't even-
(beat)
We're not even friends.

THORNE
We can be.

DEVIN
Really?

THORNE
(stands up)
I'm Thorne.
(shakes Devin's hand)
Devin right?

DEVIN
Yeah.

Devin furiously shakes his hand for a long period of time.

THORNE
(laughs)
You can let go now.

DEVIN
(finally lets him go)
Oh!

THORNE
You're pretty awkward man. But
cool, I dig that.

DEVIN
You dig me?

THORNE
Not in that way. As friends.

DEVIN
Cool.

Thorne get's his bag and heads for the door.

THORNE
Let's go.

DEVIN
Where?

THORNE
Around. Let's chill.

Devin runs and get's his bags and follows Thorne.

INT. OUTSIDE BREAK - MOMENTS LATER

Devin and Thorne are sitting outside. Talking about Devin's disaster of getting Eva to like him.

THORNE
Oh? Eva. She's nice.

DEVIN
Really?

THORNE
Yeah, she's a cool person. She comes to a lot of my parties.

DEVIN
So I've heard.

THORNE
They're invite only, but if I knew you, you'd be an instant-vite.

Devin looks confused.

THORNE (CONT'D)
Instant Invite.

DEVIN
Gotchya.

THORNE
I'm throwing one next Friday Night. If you're in, I'll make sure Eva wears something cute. Just don't pee yourself at my place.

Devin looks awkwardly down at the table.

DEVIN
Right.

EXT. WALKING HOME - EVENING

Devin, Max, and Alvin are walking from school.

They stop at Devin's house.

ALVIN
Before you go. I'm gonna need that 40 bucks.

DEVIN
What 40 bucks?

ALVIN
Devin? Hello, the WWE SuperShow in Anaheim next Friday.

(MORE)

ALVIN (CONT'D)

I bought your ticket, you were suppose to pay me back.

DEVIN

Oh, right. God, I don't think I'm going to be able to make it.

MAX

What?

ALVIN

Why not? We've been planning this for months. Everyone's going to be there. Punk, Cena, Orton, everyone! And WWE rarely comes to Anaheim.

DEVIN

I know, but I got other plans.

MAX

What could be more important than wrestling?

DEVIN

I'm going to a-

Devin stops, Max and Alvin wait for him to finish.

ALVIN

What? You're going to what?

DEVIN

To. A. Relative's house with my parents. Sorry, guys maybe next time.

Devin walks up the driveway.

ALVIN

You still owe me that 40 dollars!

DEVIN (O.S.)

No I don't!

ALVIN

Who am I suppose to give the ticket to!?!?

DEVIN (O.S.)

Not my problem.

Devin shuts the door.

MAX
Give it to Steven.

ALVIN
Steven is such a mark.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - MORNING

Devin wakes and grabs his laptop to check his e-mail.

He opens it, sees an e-mail update from his purchase of the Mystery Method and puts it in the spam filter.

He opens a new tab, goes to Reddit and types "Mystery Method review." It takes him to seddit. A subreddit for seduction and picking up women.

DEVIN
Seddit?

He clicks on every link the sidebar.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
This is a gold mine!

He then gets up from his bed and marks next Friday on the calender on the wall as "The Date."

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(to himself)
I will learn how to pick up girls!
By next Friday, I will be a Master
Pick Up Artist.

INT. CAFETERIA - AFTERNOON

The lunchroom is packed with students for lunch.

Devin comes in with his food, and goes to sit in his usual place with Max and Alvin.

THORNE
(from across the room)
DEVIN! OVER HERE!

Devin points to himself, in a "Me?" fashion. Thorne waves him over.

ALVIN
What does the Almighty Thorne want
with you?

DEVIN
I don't know.

MAX
He's just gonna make you look like
a fool. Don't go.

Devin ignores them and walks over.

Alvin and Max watch.

ALVIN
He's actually going.

MAX
He's a deadman.

Thorne pats Devin on the pat as Devin sits, the group slaps
hands with him.

ALVIN
Whoa! How did Devin get cool with
those guys?

MAX
He put himself over, I guess.

INT. TALKING ABOUT THE PARTY - CONTINUOUS

THORNE
So the plan's in order.
Everything's set.

LOGAN
What about the band?

THORNE
Don't need one. Got a hot mix on my
phone.

Devin looks around anxiously.

RIKER
You good man?

DEVIN
Yeah, just. You know, looking at
the sun, good stuff.

Thorne looks at Devin for a second and burst into laughter,
so does everyone else.

THORNE

Just relax man, you're cool. You're one of us now.

DEVIN

Are you going put me through some humiliating tests to prove I belong in your social group.

(snorts)

LOGAN

You watch too many movies. Just 'lax and chill. Bro, we got you. Thorne tell 'em.

THORNE

(swallows drink)

Right. Eva wants to meet you.

DEVIN

Really?

THORNE

Yeah, I talked her into giving you a second chance.

DEVIN

Wow, thanks man!

THORNE

I told you. We got your back.

(finishes his burger)

I'm full, let's roll.

The guys get up.

LOGAN

A bunch of us brahs are going to The Grove tonight to pickup some new gear for the party. You need a ride?

DEVIN

New gear? I like what I have on.

Logan and the others laugh.

LOGAN

(catching his breathe)

You're killing us man! Just be ready at 8!

Devin returns to Max and Alvin.

ALVIN

So, Mr. Sudden Popularity. What did they want?

DEVIN

Nothing, they were just dogging on me about the Mystery thing. No biggie.

ALVIN

No biggie. Since when did you start using-

(moves in closer)

Cool people words.

DEVIN

(snatches away)

When I started to take account for my own actions!

MAX

What are you talking about?

DEVIN

Gee, what am I talking about? I'm sick of this. I'm sick of not getting any where in life, sitting here with the nerds.

ALVIN

Are you calling us nerds? Devin, where is this coming from?

DEVIN

Ask yourself, Alvin. You always give people a hard time about everything. The one thing you go on and on about is getting girls.

ALVIN

No I don't!

(to Max)

Do I?

Max shrugs.

DEVIN

You give guys like Steven so much crap, and you haven't even had a girlfriend. I'm sick of watching WWE 24/7, it's gotten so bad that I've started to use smark terms.

(beat)

See? I just did it again.

MAX

Whoa, this is a classic heel turn!
Mind if I write it for Monday's Raw
fan club.

Devin gets up angrily.

DEVIN

Why am I even wasting my time with
you guys? You'll never get it. I'm
done, I'm out.

ALVIN

Whatever.

Devin leaves to cafeteria.

MAX

Best heel turn since Stone Cold
Steve Austin did it in 2001.

ALVIN

I know right. Now, we wait for
Cena's.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - EVENING

Devin continues to read the top reddit posts.

DEVIN

(reading)

Fixing AA? Approach Anxiety.
Approach anxiety is a lack of
confidence when it comes to going
up and talking to girls. Oh, I
definitely have that.

He continues reading.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

To fix this anxiety, give yourself
a 3 second countdown. You have to
approach in this time period. If
not you never will.

The doorbell rings.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Devin comes down the stairs, and sees Logan eating a snack
his mom prepared for him.

LOGAN
(spots Devin)
Devin! Ready to get some new
threads, brah?

DEVIN
Totally.
(tries to sound like
Logan)
Brah.

MOM
Well, Devin. I didn't know you had
"cool" friends.

LOGAN
Oh yeah, me and Devin go way back.

DEVIN
To about 1 today.

LOGAN
(laughs)
You gotta love this brah's sense of
humor.

MOM
Well, that's the way I've raised
him. You boys better be takin' off.
It's getting late.

LOGAN
Yeah, let's roll Dev.

They head for the door, Devin's mom follows them.

MOM
Drive safely.

INT. BANANA REPUBLIC - LATER

Devin waits for Logan who's trying on some new clothes.
He comes out wear skinny jeans and a tight fitting shirt.

LOGAN
So? How do I look?

DEVIN
Killer bro.

LOGAN
(smirking in the mirror)
Thought so.
(beat)
Dude, you better start trying on
some stuff. Curfew's at 9.

DEVIN
I told you I like my style.

LOGAN
It's 'ight. But, brah. This is the
first party you've been to. You
gotta look smashin'. If you know
what I mean?

Devin goes to a nearby table under clearance and grabs a
random shirt and pants.

DEVIN
Happy?

LOGAN
Sure.

They pay for their stuff and leave the store.

INT. WALKING - CONTINUOUS

DEVIN
Hey, it's only 8:30. I wanna check
out the Apple Store.

LOGAN
Alright that's cool.

INT. APPLE STORE - CONTINUOUS

Devin and Logan walk in.

DEVIN
I heard the new Macbook's going to
have a hexacore processor, 16 gigs
of ram, clocked at 1333 mega hertz.

LOGAN
Mega what?

DEVIN
Forget it.

They walk over to the Macbooks.

LOGAN
You're a computer nerd, aren't you?

DEVIN
Kinda.

LOGAN
Good. My laptop's running slow, any help?

DEVIN
Do you have a virus?

LOGAN
I think so.

DEVIN
There you go.

LOGAN
Genius.

DEVIN
Right.

They turn and notice a BEAUTIFUL women, gorgeous long
brunette hair, pretty eyes, and stunning body.

LOGAN
(hits Devin)
Bro! Check that out!

DEVIN
Calm down it's only a girl.

LOGAN
But, she's so smokin'! I can't even
go up and talk to her.

DEVIN
Why not?

LOGAN
Rejection, bro. It sucks. She's top
tier.

DEVIN
I'm not afraid of that. Stop
putting her on a pedestal.

LOGAN
Whatever, go talk to her then.

DEVIN
I will.

LOGAN
Then go ahead!

DEVIN
I will!

Devin starts walking toward her and counts to 3.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(to himself and repeats)
Open, connect, escalate, and close.

INT. PICKING UP THE BRUNETTE - CONTINUOUS

Devin finally makes his way toward her.

He sees she's looking at a model of the iPad that is not quite up to standards.

DEVIN
Pretty good, but I think you could do better.

LAUREN
Really?

DEVIN
Yeah, I can help you out. But, it's gonna cost you.

LAUREN
And what would that be?

DEVIN
(bold but flirtly)
A kiss.

Lauren laughs and Devin gets a little flustered.

LAUREN
(laughs)
OK? Which iPad do you think I should get?

DEVIN
What do you use them for?

LAUREN
Email, Facebook, Twitter, some games.

DEVIN
Don't tell me Angry Birds.

LAUREN
(laughs)
What's wrong with Angry Birds?

DEVIN
That's a children's game.
(touches her shoulder)
But, I know not everyone can handle
the maturity of Fruit Ninja.

LAUREN
(laughs)
You got me.

DEVIN
Seriously though. You'll be a lot
happier with the Nexus 7, it more
than half the price and it's a
powerhouse.

LAUREN
Thanks.

Devin walks off.

LAUREN (CONT'D)
Wait!

DEVIN
Yeah?

LAUREN
You forgot something.

She goes up to kiss him on the cheek.

LAUREN (CONT'D)
See, I come through with my
promises.

DEVIN
Hmm. You're pretty good. But, I
think we need to on work your
kissing abilities.
(reaches into his pocket
to get his phone)
You know what to do.

She puts her number into the phone.

LAUREN
Call me tonight.

DEVIN
(sly smirk)
If I'm not too busy.

He returns to Logan.

LOGAN
Bro! What the- How the- How did you
do that?!?!

DEVIN
(laughs)
Do what?

LOGAN
That?!?
(flails arms at girl)
You so weird in school, but you
just pulled the hottest girl I've
ever seen!

DEVIN
Practice.

INT. READING SEDDIT - NIGHT

Devin sits in bed and reads about kino.

DEVIN
(reading aloud)
In order to build attraction with a
woman, you should understand test
and know to pass them, you also
need to know how to touch her.
(finishes)
Hmm.

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

Devin is walking to class, he passes his former friends Max
and Alvin. Max waves, but Devin doesn't. Alvin slams his
locker shut and walks off.

He sees an attractive girl with blonde hair and blue eyes and
goes over, shes wearing a baby blue shirt.

DEVIN
How'd you know blue was my favorite
color?
(MORE)

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(touches her arm and turns
her toward him)
And you're a fan of The Cab.
(smirks)
My kind of girl.

GIRL
Yeah, I saw them last week in
Pasadena. What's your name?

DEVIN
Devin, and you?

GIRL
Brooklyn.

Devin shakes her hand.

DEVIN
What class you got next, Brooklyn?

BROOKLYN
Psychology.

DEVIN
Mr. Burns?

BROOKLYN
Yep.

DEVIN
Hey, you're in luck that's right on
my way. I'll walk with you.

BROOKLYN
(blushes)
OK.

She closes her locker. Devin places his hand on her lower back, as he read on reddit. He soon wraps his hands on her shoulder.

As they walk people are amazed at how Devin, who used to be socially awkward, is walking to class with a beautiful girl by his side. Some of the jocks slap hands with Devin and cheering him on.

They arrive at the door.

BROOKLYN (CONT'D)
Thanks.
(turns around)
You wanna hang out sometime?

DEVIN

Maybe, what you got in mind?

BROOKLYN

This weekend I'm picking up some new movies. If you wanna join me?

DEVIN

Sounds chill.

She reaches into his pocket to put her number in his phone.

Devin goes for a hug and whispers in her ear.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(whispers)

Try to focus on psychology and not me, OK?

He turns a leaves with the crowd standing in awe.

EXT. OUTSIDE LUNCH - AFTERNOON

Devin and his new social circle are eating outside.

Some guys are talking about how Devin has made a complete 180 and he's one of the most talked about guys in the school.

THORNE

Logan, dude, whatever you did last night with Devin. Holy- It worked.

LOGAN

I didn't do anything, Devin changed in like one night. It's insane.

RIKER

Brooklyn is so stuck up no guy has never been able to get with her, how did you do it?

DEVIN

I don't know, I was just confident, said whatever was on my mind, and the rest just followed.

THORNE

Bring that attitude Friday night and you won't have to worry about a thing.

EXT. WALKING HOME - EVENING

Devin is walking home and a group of nerdy looking guys are waiting for him. Steven is one of them.

STEVEN
(running up)
DEVIN! DEVIN!

DEVIN
What's up man?

STEVEN
Everyone's talking about you dude!

DEVIN
(shrugging him off)
Alright.

Devin continues walking trying to get away from the guys. Steven and the pack closely follow.

STEVEN
Dude, teach us!

DEVIN
Teach you what?

STEVEN
How to become cool. Like you. We'll
give you gifts!

Steven rips the candy and homework from the guy standing beside him.

DEVIN
What? I'm not cool.

STEVEN
Yes you are, you have the entire
girl social group loving you.
You're on a roll!

DEVIN
I don't believe in luck, I work
hard. Work, hustle, kill.

STEVEN
See that's cool! What does it mean?

DEVIN
It means-

A convertible pulls up. It's Eva.

EVA
Devin.

DEVIN
Yeah?

EVA
Get in.

Devin pauses for a second, and goes over to open the door. He is clearly nervous and has problems opening the door. He struggles, but finally opens it.

He is frigid and again has trouble buckling the seat belt.

EVA (CONT'D)
What's the matter with you?

He stumbles with words and still can't buckle it.

EVA (CONT'D)
For Christ's sake.

She does it for him.

The group is taking notes and Devin gives them mad, awkward looks.

EXT. RIDING WITH EVA - CONTINUOUS

Devin and Eva are riding around and talking.

EVA
You're a big shot now, huh?

DEVIN
Not really.

EVA
Yeah, you are. You're talking to all these girls-
(beat)
You know, the locker room was talking about your date with Brooklyn Saturday.

DEVIN
(stumbles)
Really?

Devin is staring at Eva, he starts thinking.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(thinking)

Just relax, she's just a girl. Stop putting her on a pedestal. Just relax, you got this, just don't mess up.

He comes back to reality.

EVA

(Devin's still fading back in)

Devin? Did you hear me? DEVIN!

Eva slams on brakes.

DEVIN

Yeah, yeah? What!?!

EVA

(clearly lying)

I said Brooklyn is just using you. I'm being honest. I'm her friend, and she'd never go for a guy like you.

DEVIN

What's wrong with me?

EVA

(thinks to herself)

You're awkward. You almost broke my door earlier.

Devin looks down.

DEVIN

I can't believe it.

EVA

I just don't wanna see you get hurt.

DEVIN

Thanks.

(unbuckles and opens the car door)

I think I'll walk it from here.

EVA

You sure? You don't hav-

DEVIN

Yeah, I got some thinking to do.

He gets out and starts walking.

EVA
(yelling to Devin)
Wait, Devin!

DEVIN
Yeah?

EVA
Never mind.

She drives off and Devin starts walking home. Alone.

INT. HALL - MORNING

Devin walks into the school some random guys start giving high fives to him and girls are making heavy eye contact and waving to him.

He goes to his locker, inside he sees random notes with numbers from girls. He throws them in the trash.

Brooklyn comes from behind him and wraps her arms around him.

BROOKLYN
Guess who?

DEVIN
(annoyed)
Who?

BROOKLYN
Brook, silly! Turn around!

He does.

BROOKLYN (CONT'D)
I know you told me not to, but I couldn't stop thinking about you in class yesterday. I can't wait till Saturday.

She reaches into her bag and pulls out two wrestling DVD's.

BROOKLYN (CONT'D)
I heard you liked wrestling. I'm not usually into it, but-

DEVIN
(turns back to his locker)
I don't think Saturday's gonna work out well for me.

BROOKLYN

Why not?

DEVIN

I'm busy.

BROOKLYN

OK, how about Sunday?

DEVIN

I don't think so.

BROOKLYN

(scoffs)

It sounds like you're you blowing me off!?!

DEVIN

Whoever said blondes aren't as smart as the rest of the world?

BROOKLYN

Why are you acting like this?

DEVIN

Why are you leading me on?

BROOKLYN

I'm not! Why would you think I was leading you on!?!

DEVIN

I don't know, a little birdy told me! You know it's true, a girl like you would never go for a guy like me. But, here's where I flip the script. A guy like me would never go for a girl like you!

Devin slams his locker and storms off.

Brooklyn screams at him.

BROOKLYN

I'm gonna make you regret what you just did Devin!

Devin storms past Eva who saw the whole thing from her locker. She slyly smiles to herself.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - NIGHT

Devin is reading reddit when he stumbles across a new term "oneitis" known to the pickup community as the one girl you've always been liked, but could never get.

DEVIN

Eva. Eva's my oneitis! That's why I was so nervous talking to her! How do I fix that?

He reads on.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

I gotta use what I've learned. Confidence, kino, and escalate. That's how I'm gonna make Eva my girlfriend.

INT. EVA'S CLASS - THE NEXT DAY

TITLE CARD UP: THURSDAY

Devin is waiting outside Eva's classroom.

The bell rings and the class lets out, he spots Eva with a group of the popular girls exiting the class.

He goes over and grabs her.

EVA

Hey Devin?

DEVIN

(looks her in the eye)
I need to talk to you.

He leads her into an empty classroom.

He closes the door. Eva gets nervous.

EVA

What's going on?

DEVIN

I got something to ask you.

EVA

(smiles)
OK?

DEVIN

There's this party-

EVA

Yes!

Devin looks confused.

DEVIN

(laughs)

You didn't let me finish.

EVA

OK, finish.

He remembers what he read on reddit, and doesn't get nervous. He pushes her lightly against the teacher's desk, puts her arms around his shoulders, then his hands on her waist.

DEVIN

Do you wanna go to Thorne's party with me tomorrow?

EVA

Sure.

DEVIN

Alright.

He looks at both her eyes and then her mouth, she does the same.

He kisses her.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

You're going to be my temporary girlfriend for Friday night, OK.

EVA

Whatever you want-
(she snaps out of her
trance)

Temporary?

He brushes her hair back and kisses her again.

A teacher bursts in.

TEACHER

WHAT IS GOING ON IN HERE!?!?

Eva chuckles while Devin looks shocked.

EXT. DEVIN WALKIN EVA TO HER CAR - AFTERNOON

They hold hands while other people are again in shock at Devin's progress. They reach her car.

EVA

You sure you don't want a ride?

DEVIN

I'm good me and boys are going downtown. I just wanted to make sure you got to your car safe.

EVA

How sweet.

She kisses Devin hard on the lips. He pulls away fast.

DEVIN

Save some for tomorrow.

Eva reaches into her car and pulls out a receipt.

EVA

That reminds me. You left this in my car.

DEVIN

Thanks, but I don't need it.

EVA

Yes you do. To take back the clothes you bought.

DEVIN

And why would I do that?

EVA

Because I'm taking you shopping after school.

DEVIN

Shopping with a women is awful.

EVA

I'm not you're mom, OK. I promise we'll have fun. Now go, you friends are waiting.

He looks over and sees Thorne, Riker, and Logan waving over to him.

DEVIN

Yeah friends.

He leans in to kiss Eva again.

EVA
Call me tonight!

She drives off and he goes over to the guys. They greet him with open arms, but he seems a little misplaced.

EXT. THORNE DROPS OFF DEVIN - NIGHT

Devin gets out of the Thorne's car with the music BLARING.

DEVIN
Dude turn it down!!

THORNE (O.S.)
(turns down the music;
hushed tone)
Sorry.

He walks up to his house and tries to quietly open the door.

INT. INSIDE THE HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

As soon as he opens the door his Mom jumps off the couch and runs over to hug him.

MOM
Thank God, you're alright!

DEVIN
Mom, it's cool. I was just out with
some friends.

Devin squirms away.

MOM
On a school night?

DEVIN
It's really no big deal.

MOM
It's a huge deal!

Devin goes to the kitchen.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

He goes over to the fridge and gets a can of soda.

MOM

Did you hear me!?! It's a huge deal
being out till 11 on a school
night!

DEVIN

I'm sorry, alright.
(burps)
Alright?

MOM

I don't think you mean it!

DEVIN

Of course I do.

He hugs his Mom.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

I'm sorry about not calling. I'm
still adjusting to this new cool
thing.

MOM

You'll have a lot of time to
reflect on it considering you're
grounded tomorrow night.

DEVIN

Acceptable-
(beat)
What!?! I have huge plans for
tomorrow night!

MOM

I'm sorry, but I have to do it. You
have to learn.

DEVIN

Learn from what? I rarely do
anything! I'm finally an extrovert
and you're trying to shut me down!

MOM

That's enough Devin!

DEVIN

Mom, you don't get it. I'm finally
cool. Every girl in school wants
me, and if I don't go to that party
tomorrow, then all I worked for is
finished.

MOM
My mind's made up Devin.

He slams down the soda and storms off to his room.

INT. CAFETERIA - MONDAY

TITLE CARD UP: MONDAY MORNING

Devin walks into the cafeteria, he's getting his usual looks.

GUY #1
My man Devin! Thorne's looking for ya!

DEVIN
Looking for me? Why?

GUY #1
Dude, you know why! Everyone's talking about how you stood up Eva and blew off his party!

EXT. OUTSIDE HANGOUT - CONTINUOUS

Devin goes outside to the "popular" table.

DEVIN
(to Throne)
You looking for me?

Thorne turns around.

THORNE
Well, look who's joining us fellas. Mr. Popularity. He's too cool to show his face at my lousy party.

DEVIN
I was grounded.

THORNE
Grounded? Are you 10? What kind of excuse is that?

DEVIN
It's not an excuse. I got grounded, because you decided to go to West Hollywood on a school night.

THORNE
And your point is?

DEVIN

(stares)

My point is.

(slowly)

I couldn't come to your party
because you got me grounded.

THORNE

You got yourself grounded man. You
know what, I'm not even mad. We're
cool we'll put this whole thing
behind us. Oh yeah, your
girlfriend's looking for you.

DEVIN

Girlfriend?

THORNE

Eva? Come on bro, I know you're a
player, but you gotta know who
you're "girlfriend" is.

DEVIN

I'm not a player!

THORNE

Tell that to her.

INT. EVA'S CLASS - CONTINUOUS

Devin finally finds Eva sitting talking with her friends.

One them spots him.

GIRL #2

(disgusted)

Oh my god! Look who it is!

Eva looks up and sees Devin standing over her.

EVA

(angrily)

What do you want?

DEVIN

I want to talk to you.

EVA

I don't think so, that last time
that happened you tricked me into
becoming your "temporary"
girlfriend. You're a player.

DEVIN

What? I'm not a player. Why does everyone keep staying that?

EVA

You tell me? Getting phone numbers everyday in your locker, acting cool, and oh yeah, seeing someone else when we had a date!

DEVIN

I was grounded!

EVA

Yeah right!

DEVIN

Why is that so hard for everyone to believe? Yes, I still get grounded!

EVA

I heard something different.

DEVIN

Seriously? It seems for the last few weeks everyone is talking about! Devin did this! Devin did that! What side of the story did you hear!?!

EVA

That you and Brooklyn had a nice Friday evening.

DEVIN

What!?! There's nothing going on between me and Brooklyn! You told me she was just using me!

BROOKLYN (O.S.)

What!?!

Brooklyn goes over to Devin.

BROOKLYN (CONT'D)

She told you what!?!

DEVIN

She told me-

EVA

Devin! Stop!

DEVIN

She told me that girls like you
won't give me the time of day.

BROOKLYN

(turns to Eva)

Why would you tell him that!?!

EVA

I didn't he's lying!

DEVIN

(blankly)

Really?

EVA

OK, I lied. So what!?

DEVIN

So what? You ruined my weekend,
because why? You like me all of a
sudden?

BROOKLYN

No, she doesn't. She likes your
status.

EVA

No I don't. OK, I wasn't attracted
to him before he got all cool,
because he was such a loser. But,
now he's change and I-

BROOKLYN

You're a manipulator and a liar.

Eva gets in Brooklyn's face.

EVA

What?

She pushes her.

The class gets up and starts chanting "fight."

BROOKLYN

You never where my friend, you were
just using ME!

She goes to punch Eva in the face, but Devin blocks it.

DEVIN

Stop! Alright, that's enough.. I
need some time to think.

He walks away, as the makes "oowing" sounds.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Shut up!

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - MORNING

Devin wakes up from his sleep.

He reaches for his phone and sees he has 34 text messages from his "friends", but mostly from girls.

He strolls through them and finds a message from Alvin, he ignores it.

He sighs, drops the phone, and goes down stairs.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Devin finds his Mom making breakfast.

DEVIN

Mom?

MOM

What's up sweetheart?

DEVIN

(sits at the counter)
I think I messed up.

MOM

How?

DEVIN

Well two weeks ago I started learning how to pick up women.

MOM

Why would you do something so degrading to women?

DEVIN

It's not degrading. It's not like I'm learning how to trick them, I'm just late to the game.

MOM

Go on.

DEVIN

OK, I ordering a PUA kit and it didn't work.

MOM

Alright.

DEVIN

So, when that didn't work I read more books on natural game, and found a place on this site called Reddit, that's all about learning to better yourself.

MOM

There was nothing wrong with you.

DEVIN

Mom, before all of this I was a social outcast. I only hung out with-

Devin stops to think.

MOM

Alvin and Max?

DEVIN

Yeah.

MOM

What happened to those guys?

DEVIN

Ugh, I don't know... They're just.. I don't know.

MOM

Just remember. No matter how popular you get never forget where you came from.

(beat)

You hungry?

DEVIN

Naw, I have something I gotta do.

INT. COMPUTER NETWORKING - MORNING

Devin is about to run into Alvin and Max's, when Logan stops him.

LOGAN
(getting Devin in a
headlock)
Where you been brah?

DEVIN
Let me go!

LOGAN
You chilled man?

DEVIN
Yeah, I'm trying to handle
something first.

LOGAN
Oh, Thorne wanted you to know that
he's putting you on the VIP list
for his after prom birthday party
in Beverly Hills.

DEVIN
Really?

Devin looks into the classes and sees Alvin and Max.

LOGAN (O.S.)
Yeah, you're one of us brah. I
can't believe how popular you are
now, you're achieving Thorne
status. It's a good thing you
dumped those losers when you did.

Devin looks back at his two old friends.

DEVIN
(to himself)
Yeah, losers.

The bells rings and the hallways flood with students. Devin
sees Alvin and Max alone, but turns the other way.

INT. LUNCH - CONTINUOUS

Devin is eating with Thorne, Logan, and Riker.

THORNE
You talk to Eva yet?

DEVIN
No, why should I? She lied to me.

THORNE

Come on man, she's the hottest girls in school. I think you can look over one little lie.

RIKER

I don't know. Brooklyn's up there too. I can't decide.

LOGAN

Luckily it's not our decision it's Devin's.

DEVIN

I'm gonna make a decision. Just not now.

He gets up to throw his trash away.

Max sees him and says hi, but Devin is swept away by Thorne and the crew.

THORNE

(fading off)

So about my birthday party....

Alvin shakes his head and continue talking to Steven and the gang.

INT. SOUTH COAST PLAZA - EVENING

Devin, Logan, and Thorne are sitting at Ruby's Diner finishing their dinner.

Thorne looks up and sees a beautiful young women enter the diner.

THORNE

Holy- Guys check her out!

LOGAN

That's my type of girl.

THORNE

She's not a girl, she's a women. That's what I need, I'm sick of high school girls man. It's run it's coarse.

DEVIN

Go talk to her then.

THORNE

Give me a second. I have to finish my... Fries. They're good.

DEVIN

You're scared. The Great Almighty Thorne scared of a little weak female.

THORNE

Look this is a different ball game here. Like I said this isn't high school. If you're so tough, Mr. Pickup Artist go get her number.

DEVIN

Alright, but I'll get it for you. Not me. I already have my fair share of girl problems.

Devin takes another sip of his drink and goes over to approach the women.

INT. TALKING TO THE WOMEN - CONTINUOUS

He stops her.

DEVIN

I'm sorry, but you're so cute, I'd kick myself if I passed up this opportunity to meet up.

WOMEN

(laughs)
I'm Sydney.

DEVIN

(shakes her hand, but doesn't let go)
I'm Devin, Sydney are you in a hurry?

SYDNEY

Not really, why?

DEVIN

Let's talk for a minute.

He makes sure he touches her lower back as he guides her to the nearby table.

INT. THORNE AND LOGAN - CONTINUOUS

THORNE
He's doing it, he's really doing
it.

LOGAN
I told you.

INT. CONVERSATION - CONTINUOUS

Devin finishes up his conversation with Sydney.

DEVIN
(holds her hand)
You're adorable, but safe. Let's
make a deal. When we see each other
again, we're gonna do something
you've never done before.

SYDNEY
Like what?

DEVIN
(hands her his phone)
We'll see.

She puts in her number.

They stand up and Devin gives her a hug.

She leaves the diner.

INT. RETURNING TO THE TABLE - CONTINUOUS

Devin returns to Thorne and Logan who are in awe.

DEVIN
Here.
(give Thorne his phone)
Don't mess it up, brah.

LOGAN
Brah? He finally said it! He's one
of us!

THORNE
Totally. How did you do that?

DEVIN
Just walked up said what was on my
mind, touched her, and talked.

LOGAN
That's it.

DEVIN
Yep.

THORNE
Interesting.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - MORNING

Devin is getting dressed for school listening to Kenny Chesney's "Don't Blink" singing out loud.

DEVIN
(singing)
Don't blink... Just might miss
you're baby...
(breaks into a dance)
Trust me friend 100 years goes
faster than you think-

He turns and sees Eva standing in the doorway of his room.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(shocked)
Good God!

EVA
(laughs)
Country?

DEVIN
Yeah, sometimes it relaxes me. What
are you doing here?

EVA
(walks over to Devin hugs
him)
I missed you.

DEVIN
Same here, but I told you I'm not
sure it's going work out right now
between me and you.

EVA
(sits on his bed)
I'm fine with that.

Another country song comes on.

EVA (CONT'D)
Can you change that?

Devin tosses her the remote to his satellite radio system.

DEVIN
Put it on whatever. I'm gonna be
back OK?

INT. BATHROOM - CONTINUOUS

Devin goes into the bathroom.

He is clearly nervous again.

DEVIN
OK, man you got this. Man up. A
cheerleader's in your bedroom.
(thinks)
Nothing's gonna happen like that!
Gross! But, try to not make a fool
of yourself.

He exits the bathroom.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

He reenters his bedroom and sees that Eva has took off her
jacket and tossed it on the floor.

Devin lets out an awkward sigh.

EVA
You're back! Come here.

Devin nervously walks over and plants himself awkwardly in a
chair beside the bed and crosses his legs.

EVA (CONT'D)
Devin.... Really? On. The. Bed.

DEVIN
(swallows hard)
Alrighty.

He gets on his bed, but protects himself well. Much to Eva's
annoyance.

EVA
Devin stop!

DEVIN

I don't wanna... You know.

EVA

Sex- I know, oh my god. I don't wanna do that either. I just wanna talk.

DEVIN

OK, talk! Talk, I'm good at talking. Sometimes.

DEVIN'S MOM (O.S.)

Devin! I'm going to work! Don't be late to school!

DEVIN

(to his mom)

Alright!!

EVA

(laughs)

You're Mom loves you doesn't she?

DEVIN

Yeah, sometimes a little too much. She's over protective. That's why I "stood" you up.

EVA

(touches Devin arm)

I believe you now.

DEVIN

You do?

EVA

Yeah, and I'm sorry I lied to you about Brooklyn.

(starts to ramble)

I don't know I've been hearing about you talking to all these girls it just made me-

(tries to slur)

Jealous.

(normal)

Because you liked me firs-

DEVIN

Wait, wait. I'm sorry what was that?

EVA
(smiles)
Nothing.

DEVIN
Did I just hear Eva Underwood, say
she's jealous of a little nerd like
me?

EVA
You're not a nerd. I just needed to
get to know you. You're a really
cool guy. With a few quirks.

DEVIN
(laughs)
Like what?

EVA
(bluntly)
You listen to country music.

DEVIN
(laughs)
Fair enough.
(beat)
So?

EVA
So...

DEVIN
What should we do now?

EVA
We have some time before 1st
period, because I have my car.

She places her hand on Devin's lap.

He pulls her chin in closely and kisses her.

EVA (CONT'D)
Are you making out with me?

DEVIN
(still kissing her)
No, you're making out with me.

EVA
(between breaths)
Oh am I?

DEVIN
You cool with that?

EVA
Yeah.

They continue kissing. Eva breaks away.

EVA (CONT'D)
(catches her breath)
I think... I think.. I might...
Love you.

Devin freezes in place.

Eva tears up.

EVA (CONT'D)
I'm sorry I shouldn't have said
that. You told me-

DEVIN
It's cool, let's just get to
school.

INT. SCHOOL - MORNING

Devin and Eva walk into school.

He doesn't really appear comfortable with her anymore.

They get to her class.

EVA
I'll see you after class OK?

DEVIN
Yeah.

She is about to kiss him, but he stops her with a hand shake.

INT. HOME EC - CONTINUOUS

Devin walks into the classroom, he sees Max prepping his
station. He looks up for a second.

MAX
Devin!!

DEVIN
(going over to him)
What's-

A girl, JEN grabs Devin and takes her to her station.

JEN
You're my partner today. Because,
mine's out.

DEVIN
(looks around)
There's Bradley right there.

JEN
Oh, would you look at that. We
better get started.

DEVIN
Hold on I have to go talk to my-
The teacher walks in and class begins.

EXT. AFTER SCHOOL - AFTERNOON

Eva is waiting by her car for Devin.

She sees him walking up.

EVA
Finally!

DEVIN
Yeah I'm here.

Eva wraps her arms around him and kisses him.

EVA
Where were you? I haven't seen you
all day!

They get in her car.

DEVIN
I've had rough day.

EVA
Would ice cream cheer you up?

DEVIN
(thinks to himself)
Iced cream would be great right
now.

INT. ICE SCREAM SHOP - LATER

Devin and Eva are sitting and talking in the ice cream shop.

DEVIN

I mean. I don't get it. What happened to me? I have everything I want, a good girlfriend, I'm popular. But, I'm not complete.

EVA

You should talk to them.

DEVIN

I can't. I'm tossed out them like dirt. Wouldn't you risk your rep if I went back to hanging out with them?

EVA

I don't care who you hang out with. As corny as it sounds. You kinda changed me. When I said I loved you. I meant it.

DEVIN

Yeah, that kinda bothers me too. See, I don't wanna hurt you, I'm not really in for anything too serious right now-

LAUREN

Don't I know you from somewhere?

He turns and sees Lauren, the girl he helped at the Apple store.

DEVIN

(acts like he doesn't remember)
I don't know do we?

LAUREN

Yeah, from the Apple Store you helped me. Devin right?

DEVIN

Yeah.
(scratches head)
Lauren. Lauren right?

LAUREN

Yeah, I thought you were gonna call me?

Devin looks to Eva who is almost in tears.

DEVIN
Hey, Lauren this is my new
girlfriend Eva.

LAUREN
Oh, I'm sorry. Nice to meet you.

EVA
You too.
(beat)
I just remembered have to go.

She get's out the booth.

DEVIN
Eva! Come on!

She leaves the shop.

Devin follows her out into the parking lot.

He grabs her.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
Wait!

EVA
No, I'm not waiting for you! Is
this why you didn't want "anything
serious?" So you could see other
girls!?!

DEVIN
That's not it at all! I met her
like a month ago. Before you and
had a thing!

EVA
I don't want to hear it. Why
couldn't you be honest with me!?!

DEVIN
I am! I care about you! A lot!

Eva gets in her car, she locks the door so Devin can't get in.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
Come on! Let me in!

She starts the car.

Devin runs in front of it.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
I'm not letting you go!!

Eva lets the top down.

EVA
I wanna hear you say it. If you
don't want me to leave. Tell me you
won't see other girls!

DEVIN
I can't.

She hits the gas with Devin barely getting out the way,
leaving him in the parking lot.

MONTAGE:

MUSIC UP: HATE ME - BLUE OCTOBER

- A) Devin is walking the long way home. Head held low.
- B) Eva is sitting in her car crying.
- C) Devin is walking along the freeway.
- D) Eva lays in bed and continues crying, she finally turns
off her lamp and goes to sleep.
- E) Devin get's out his phone and texts his Mom. It reads "I'm
gonna be late."

INT. LUNCH - CONTINUOUS

Devin is sitting with the usual group.

LOGAN
I heard she's going to be out of
school for the next week.

THORNE
I heard she's a wreck.

RIKER
That's what happens when Devin
get's to your heart. The best
heartbreaker this place has ever
seen.

They toast.

DEVIN

It's not my fault. I didn't break her heart. Why should I feel guilty?

THORNE

You shouldn't she knew what the deal was. It's not your fault she got attached.

DEVIN

(puts down his fork)
Guys I don't feel so good. I think I'm gonna head outside.

THORNE

Need back up bro?

DEVIN

No I'm good.

EXT. OUTSIDE LUNCH - CONTINUOUS

Devin sits in a corner and thinks to myself.

Somebody lightly kicks his shoe.

He looks up and sees that it's Max, Devin jumps up.

DEVIN

Max!! What's up buddy!

They bro hug.

MAX

The same old. Well not really, since you know... You took a dump on us.

DEVIN

I'm sorry. I realized I'm missing my real bros. Where's the other?

MAX

He hates your guts.

DEVIN

(looks down)
I thought so.

He falls into his spot on the ground again.

Max sits beside him.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

I keep asking myself, is it all worth it? You know. Popularity isn't all it's cracked up to be.

MAX

Say's the guy that every girl in this cool wants. You're Thorne famous now.

DEVIN

It doesn't feel right. I loss my friends. Broke an innocent girl's heart. Like I sold my soul for this.

MAX

I'd give anything to learn how you did it.

DEVIN

Really?

MAX

Yeah, every guy wants to know. You should hold a class or something. Because I swear every guy here is running out to buy the Mystery Method, it looks like a carnival around here.

Devin looks around and notices a bunch of guys "peacocking."

DEVIN

Wow.

MAX

Yep, it get's worse.

DEVIN

How?

MAX

Guys have been recited the lines and routines Mystery and other PUAs put in their books. Long story short, I think the girls have caught on. You've started a revolution.

DEVIN

(sighs)

Looks like I gotta clean up the mess I've made.

MAX

How?

DEVIN

I'm gonna teach these forever
alones how to pick up girls.
Saturday. My Mom's basement, spread
the word.

INT. BASEMENT TEACHING - SATURDAY

TITLE CARD UP: SATURDAY

Devin walks to the front of the basement.

It is packed with high school and college students, and even
some older guys.

DEVIN

(puts on his microphone)

Looks like a good turn out! How you
brahs doin'?

Spattered "goods" ring throughout.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

OK, obviously we all know why we're
here. But, I wanna hear it from
your mouths. The first lesson
you'll learn is one key till
getting girls is honesty. Go on
tell each other why you're here. To
learn to how to talk to women.

They say it aloud.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Good. How many of you think you
need a good pickup line handy in
order to approach a women?

All raise their hand.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Thought so. I'm here to tell you
that is a lie. Don't be mislead.
Before we go any further. There is
so much to go over that it's not
going to all fit into today. But, I
promise you, you'll know enough to
go and at least talk to a girl.
Talk to.

Devin walks up and down the isle.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Why aren't I teaching you to get her number? You need to get your feet wet. Why get her number and waste her time if you don't know what to do after?

Devin examines the room.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

I see a lot of older dudes in the house? Why?

He points to a fellow that appears to be in his upper 20's.

GUY #2

Uhh. I've never had any luck talking to the ladies. I'm just not hip or cool enough.

DEVIN

Stop right there. You are enough. You are enough to go out and chat with beautiful women, because you know who you are. You have confidence. Anyone know what the real meaning of confidence is?

No one raises their hand.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Confidence is knowing who you are and being secure with yourself. You cannot. And I repeat cannot. Go out and expect to attract a women without knowing yourself first. Do you understand?

The crowd nods.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Women can't get enough of confidence. If you're confident, you're about 40 percent of the way there. Honesty is the 20 percent. The other 40 percent comes from doesn't come from what you say, but how you say it and touching. Questions so far?

A guy raises his hand.

Devin points to him.

GUY #3

I thought women wanted rich guys?

The crowd agrees.

DEVIN

That is a lie. That is what the media has stuffed into your mind. In order to sell a product. Think about it. Anyone remember those ring commercials?

Crowd nods.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Of course you want to buy your girlfriend something nice every once in a while. But, you should not shower women in gifts just for kisses or that you want her to date you. That is weak and it shows a lack of confidence. Remember women love confidence.

Devin grabs a seat.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Now to answer your question. Do women really love that guy that's rich or has a nice car? What if I told you my G35 has faulty battery and I have to walk everywhere and I still get the girls. You know why?

He waits for an answer.

He doesn't get one.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Because I showed confidence in my words, thus it conveyed a high value. Think about this. What do all rich guys have in common? High value. Women don't want some weak, fake, twerp. They want guys who can take care of themselves. High value.

He looks around.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Tonight I want you to write out your insecurities and be honest. Women love that. Acknowledge them, and work on dealing with them for about a week. Go out and talk to everyone, not only girls. Comeback and we'll share our results.

INT. COFFEE SHOP - 3 DAYS LATER

TITLE CARD UP: 3 DAYS LATER

Devin is sitting chatting with a couple of guys from the class he's teaching.

DEVIN

Alright, so you got your flaws out of the way. Now, it's time to approach. Any volunteers?

A freshman, RICK raises his hand.

RICK

I'm game.

DEVIN

Cool, so all you have to do is talk. Don't try to get her number.

RICK

Why?

DEVIN

You need to get your feet wet like I said.

RICK

What do I say?

DEVIN

Anything you want, just remain calm, cool, and relaxed. You got this.

Devin looks around and sees an average looking girl sitting and typing on her laptop.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(points)

Her.

Rick is about to get up, but he hesitates.

RICK
I don't know anymore.

DEVIN
What did I say about confidence!?!
Give me your wallet.

RICK
Why?

DEVIN
This is a trick, I'm going to take
a few bucks from your wallet you'll
get 'em back when you finish
talking to her.

Rick hesitates again, but gives in and hands Devin his wallet.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
Go.

Rick get's up from the table and walks over to the girl. He gives a thumbs up to the group, but is so afraid he's shaking.

INT. RICK'S PICKUP - CONTINUOUS

Rick goes up to the girl.

RICK
Is this seat taken?

The girl looks up and smiles.

GIRL
No.

RICK
Can I sit?

GIRL
(smiling)
Sure. I'm Natalie.

RICK
(sits and shakes her hand)
I'm Rick.

Rick starts looking over to Devin who is encouraging him to keep it going.

RICK (CONT'D)
So what do you do?

NATALIE
I'm a college student.

RICK
Cool, I'm in high school. Freshman.

She nods and returns to her work.

RICK (CONT'D)
Um, what college do you go to?

NATALIE
USC.

Rick relaxes and adjusts his body language to show it.

RICK
Nice, I was thinking about going
there. How is it?

NATALIE
Fun. I'm a neuroscience major.

RICK
Sounds tough.

NATALIE
It is. I'm thinking about changing
after this semester.

RICK
I'm a kinda follow your passion, go
with the flow type guy, you know? I
wanna travel a bit, see some
things.

NATALIE
(laughs)
That's sound cool.

INTERCUT

DEVIN
See, it's not hard. He's having a
good conversation and she's
becoming very open to him.

NED
OK, that means he can get her
number right?

DEVIN
He could, but it wouldn't do him
any good.

NED
Explain.

DEVIN
Well, he's having a very casual
conversation. Good. She's opening
up to him. Great. But, the vibe is
off. He's doing most of the talking
at this point. So, if he gets the
number. He'll probably end up
getting friend zoned.

NED
How does he get her as his
girlfriend.

DEVIN
He needs to escalate.

NED
How?

DEVIN
I'm going to teach you that next.

MONTAGE

MUSIC UP: I WAS A TEENAGE ANARCHIST - AGAINST ME!

1) WEDNESDAY: Devin holds continues to classes on picking up
women.

2) THURSDAY: He goes on to teach the guys about touching. He
brings in a woman to demonstrate.

3) FRIDAY: Devin shows a text conversation between him and a
girl, setting up a date.

4) SATURDAY: He shakes hands with the men, and is proud he
gave them new knowledge.

INT. SCHOOL GYM - NEXT THURSDAY

TITLE CARD UP: THURSDAY

Devin and Thorne are sitting on the bleachers with a group of
guys and girls.

They are the center of attention, making them laugh, etc.

Devin finishes up telling a story about the time he and Thorne got into a VIP club that weekend.

DEVIN

The bouncer was pretty mad, but I think it worked itself out.

THORNE

Seriously though, next time let's have the jerky-

A sudden THUD is heard for the other side of the bleachers. It's Steven.

STEVEN

(whispering)

Psst! Devin!

THORNE

Oh god, nerd alert. Looks that the computer geeks got loose again. Get lost you-

DEVIN

Lay off man.

(to Steven)

Come on out man, no one's gonna hurt you.

STEVEN

(still behind bleachers)

What about Big Saul?

They look over to BIG SAUL a 6'7" senior, bulked, with the facial hair of a middle aged man.

DEVIN

Maybe Saul might, but I doubt it.

Steven comes over, he's very anxious and frigidly.

STEVEN

Sup guys.

(to the girls)

Ladies.

The group stays quiet.

STEVEN (CONT'D)

Uh, this isn't going to work. Devin can I talk to you over there for a minute?

DEVIN

Sure.

Devin squeezes by the group and follows Steven over to the other side of the gym.

INT. STEVEN'S PICKUP - CONTINUOUS

Steven explains what he wants with Devin.

STEVEN

You see that girl over there? The one in the cute little shorts.

Devin looks over and sees an INCREDIBLY attractive girl in white shorts playing volleyball with some friends.

DEVIN

OK?

STEVEN

(bluntly)
I want her.

DEVIN

OK? Why are you talking to me then?

STEVEN

Because, dude. You have all the answers.

DEVIN

No I don't. I'm sick of people telling me that. I just taught a class on this.

STEVEN

I was sick, but in the last 7 days you've been more dated more girls than anyone this year.

DEVIN

Like 3 girls?

STEVEN

More than anyone this year.

DEVIN

Get to the point!

STEVEN

I told you I want her. But, I don't know how.

DEVIN
Right, and you want me to give you
my routines and lines? Correct?

STEVEN
Right.

DEVIN
No.

Devin walks away.

Steven runs in front of him to stop him.

STEVEN
(whining)
Why not!?! You're the youngest
pickup artist in Los Angeles.
You're just-

Devin grabs Steven by his shirt.

DEVIN
I'm not a pickup artist! Don't ever
call me that.

STEVEN
(breaking free)
What would you call it then? No
one's heard from Eva in weeks and
you seem OK with it.

DEVIN
Whatever happened to Eva isn't my
fault! I told her I didn't want
anything serious!

STEVEN
Calm down. Just help me this once.
I'll pay you 30 bucks if you tell
me what to do. 30 bucks easy cash.

DEVIN
Fine, but In don't want your money.
I just want you off my back.

He looks and sees she's not playing anymore and sitting
talking with friends.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
Go over and say. Hey, I thought you
were beautiful so I wanted to come
meet you.

STEVEN
That'll work?

DEVIN
Only if you really mean it.

STEVEN
Oh I do!

DEVIN
No you don't, you think that
because you want something in
return. That's fake. But, it
probably doesn't matter anyway.

STEVEN
And that's it?

DEVIN
Be sure to touch her.

STEVEN
How?

DEVIN
Hands, arms, and lower back.

STEVEN
When?

DEVIN
(pushes Steven)
Just go! She's leaving!

Steven runs over.

Devin watches from a far. Steven does the routine Devin gave him, and get's the results he's looking for. She hugs him and she waves goodbye, giggling with her friends.

Steven comes back elated.

STEVEN
It worked!!

DEVIN
I knew it would.

STEVEN
I have a date with her Friday night
and you're coming with me.

DEVIN
No I'm not.

STEVEN

There's 100 bucks with your name on
it for a successful date.

DEVIN

So, you're going me to date the
girl for you?

(laughs)

Alright.

Devin walks off.

STEVEN

(calls to Devin)

This Friday....

(to himself)

Don't forget.

INT. DEVIN'S ROOM - FRIDAY NIGHT

TITLE CARD UP: FRIDAY NIGHT

Devin is sitting in his room texting numerous girls, all
wanting him to come and hangout with them. He turns them all
down.

His phone rings.

DEVIN

(answering the phone)

Hello?

It's Steven.

STEVEN (O.S.)

Where are you?

DEVIN

(into phone)

Steven?

INTERCUT

STEVEN

Yeah, man! Where are you? I'm here
with Riley. I have no idea what to
do and when I told her you fed me
those lines, she can't stop talking
about you.

DEVIN

Tell her to shut up then.

STEVEN

No, I can't...

(beat)

You serious?

DEVIN

Completely.

STEVEN

(to Riley)

Hey, girl! Shu-

DEVIN

(cuts in)

I'm joking! Do you have crap for brains? OK, tell me what you've done so far.

STEVEN

Awkwardly talk about school.

DEVIN

Not bad, uh, talk about whatever makes you happy and don't forget to escalate and touch her.

STEVEN

Yeah, I don't get. You're gonna have to come down here.

DEVIN

I have better things to do. I have socks and underwear that need to be sorted.

Logan bursts into the room.

END INTERCUT

LOGAN

DEVIN!

Devin drops the phone in fright.

DEVIN

Oh! How do you people keep getting into my house!?!

LOGAN

It's Eva, Devin! She just got rushed to the hospital!

DEVIN
What!! Why!?!

Logan grabs Devin.

LOGAN
I'll explain on the way! We need to
hurry!

EXT. OUTSIDE HOSPITAL - MOMENTS LATER

Logan and Devin swerve into the parking lot.

They get out of the car and start running toward the
entrance.

LOGAN
She O.D'd! That's all I know!

DEVIN
How'd she do that!?!

LOGAN
I don't know!!

INT. HOSPITAL - CONTINUOUS

They run to the front desk.

DEVIN
(out of breath)
I'm looking for Eva Underwood's
room!

RECEPTIONIST
Names?

DEVIN
(catching his breath)
Devin Spears and Logan Cade.

RECEPTIONIST
I'm sorry boys, she has a private
room and her Mother has requested
that only family members can be
permitted.

DEVIN
Ah! What!?! Listen that's my
girlfriend, you gotta get me into
that room!

RECEPTIONIST

If you're not on the list, you're not getting in that room.

Devin screams in her face. The receptionist picks up the phone, about to call security.

Logan pulls Devin aside.

LOGAN

Don't get kicked out! I got a plan.

DEVIN

What?

LOGAN

Eva's the most popular girl in school, let's just look for the room with dozens on people around it.

DEVIN

(thumps him)

This hospital has a million rooms, and this LA, imagine how many doped up celebrities are here! Looking for a room with people around it isn't going to cut it!

Logan gets a text from his Mom telling him to get home.

LOGAN

I'm sorry to flake man, but my Mom wants me home.

DEVIN

So you're leaving me?

LOGAN

(walking away)

I don't wanna get grounded. Just text me if you need a ride.

Devin turns and runs down a hallway.

MONTAGE

MUSIC UP: USE SOMEBODY - KINGS OF LEON

A) Devin begins looking down halls in desperation searching for Eva.

B) He opens random doors, in one of which he finds a man getting something remove from his rectum, he closes the door just in time.

C) Devin grabs random and people and doctors, he asks them where the room is, but with no luck.

D) He returns to the front entrance flops down in a chair and cries.

INT. HOSPITAL - THE NEXT MORNING

Devin is asleep in the same chair as last night, there is a voice trying to wake him up.

He finally wakes up and sees that it's Eva.

EVA
(shaking him)
Devin! Devin!

He jumps up to hug her.

DEVIN
(squeezing her tightly)
Oh my God! You're OK!

EVA
Yeah, I'm fine. It's no big deal.

DEVIN
(dumbfounded)
It's a huge deal. Just because I said-
(she's her Mom)
Is this your Mom?

EVA
Yeah.
(to her Mom)
Mom, this is Devin.

She comes over and hugs Devin.

She grabs Devin nipple and twists it, no one sees.

MRS. UNDERWOOD
(in Devin's ear)
My daughter was here because of you. If it happens again, it's ICU for you. Got me midget turd?

DEVIN
 (in pain)
 Yes, ma'am.

She lets go and smiles at Eva.

MRS. UNDERWOOD
 I think I should leave you two
 alone.

As she leaves she steps on Devin foot, intently.

MRS. UNDERWOOD (CONT'D)
 (faked)
 Oh dear, I'm sorry.

DEVIN
 (bending down attending to
 his toe)
 It's cool.

She gives him a dirty look.

INT. TALKING WITH EVA - CONTINUOUS

Devin and Eva sit and talk in the hospital cafeteria.

DEVIN
 So how ya feeling?

EVA
 Better, my head still hurts though.

DEVIN
 You know when I said what I said. I
 didn't want you to off yourself.

EVA
 (laughs)
 I know, I have a lot of problems
 that I'm still working on.

DEVIN
 Really?
 (rambles)
 You're the prettiest and most
 popular girl at our school, you're
 rich, you're grades are top, you-

EVA
 (cuts him off)
 My dad left me and my Mom when I
 was a kid for another women.

Devin's expression drops.

DEVIN

Oh I'm sorry. I never knew.

EVA

I was planning on telling you, because I started opening up. You were the only person I felt like I could trust, but when I saw that girl you were suppose to call, it brought back those memories.

DEVIN

Do you have contact with him?

EVA

On holidays. Last Christmas I went to Vancouver where he lives now, and he got me my first car.

DEVIN

So he loaded huh?

EVA

It's doesn't matter. What he did to me and my Mom-
(tears up)
I'm sorry.

Devin goes and hits beside her and holds her.

DEVIN

You won't ever have to worry about me doing that to you. Ever.

He kisses her forehead.

INT. SHOPPING FOR PROM WITH EVA - THURSDAY

TITLE CARD UP: THURSDAY

Devin is sitting bored out of his mind helping his girlfriend pick out a prom dress.

She comes out in a short black number and twirls around for Devin.

We hear ChronoLogic by A HERO'S FATE in the background.

EVA
What do you think?
(English accent)
And be brutally.

DEVIN
I like it.
(sees other guys eyeing
her)
And so do those guys.
(waves to them)
Alright guys, I think she'll get
it.

Eva laughs.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
You seem so happy.

EVA
Why wouldn't I be?

DEVIN
I don't know, maybe I'm just
nervous.

EVA
Well I'm hungry, let's get
something to eat. My treat.

DEVIN
Nope, I got this one. And the
dress. On me.

EVA
(lights up)
Really?

DEVIN
Consider it an I'm sorry gift.

EVA
Then I don't want it. I'm not a
charity. I don't need your pity.

DEVIN
(takes her in his arms)
OK, I'll get them because I lov-
(beat)
I'm hungry let's go.

EXT. THIRD STREET PROMENADE SANTA MONICA - LATER

Devin and Eva get seated outside at a restaurant.

DEVIN
What do you feel eating today?

EVA
(looks at the menu)
I don't know..

Devin notices a few passing guys giving him thumbs up.

DEVIN
(pointing the other
direction)
Did you see that?

EVA
(turns to look)
What?

Devin throws an ice cube from Eva's water at the group.

DEVIN
(under his breath)
GTFO!

The guys scatters.

EVA
What?

DEVIN
Nothing. You decided what you're
eating yet?

Eva reads the menu.

Devin spots another few guys giving smiles and congratulating him.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
I'll be back.

EVA
OK?

EXT. DEVIN CONFRONTING A GUY - CONTINUOUS

Devin goes over to the group.

DEVIN

Alright, what's going on? Someone put a kick me sign on my back? I got a little boogie? Waiter spit in my drink?

DAVID

No dude, you got a hot girl to pay for you lunch! You're a legend.

DEVIN

Actually, I'm paying for it.

ALEX

Oh, then I guess you're not as good as you make everyone think you are.

DEVIN

Good at what? Picking up girls?

ALEX

Yep. I'll tell ya, I'm never paying for my meals again.

DEVIN

You're going to be paying for something else if don't get out of here! And FYI I wanted to pay because I lov-

EVA

Devin? Food's on it's way. I ordered for you, I hope you don't mind.

DEVIN

Naw, It's cool baby.

He puts his around her and guides her back to their table.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

(mouths to the guys)
Eat your hearts out!

EXT. DROPPING EVA OFF - NIGHT

Devin pulls into the driveway of Eva's house.

He turns off the car and leans back in his seat.

DEVIN

I have to tell you something.

EVA

What?

DEVIN

(sighs)

About a month ago. I starting learning about the pickup artist community.

EVA

OK?

DEVIN

And so-

EVA

Wait- Pickup artist community? So you ARE a player? Is that why you can't say you love me?

DEVIN

No, listen to me. The only reason I learned that stuff is so that you'd notice me.

EVA

What made you think I didn't notice you?

DEVIN

Well you did throw away my flowers.

EVA

You pissed yourself in front of me.

DEVIN

So anyway, some guy told that I'm not all what I'm cracked up to be today. Before you and I hit it off, I was trying to perfect this seduction thing. But, now I don't care, because I've won my prize.

EVA

(teases)

Oh, I'm a prize now?

DEVIN

No, that's not what I me-

Eva kisses Devin hard on the lips.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(pulls away)
I also thought a class on pickup.

Eva slaps him.

EVA
I'm sorry, but you kinda had it
coming.

DEVIN
Ow, that really hurt!
(looks in the side mirror)
Am I freakin' bleeding?

EXT. EVA'S POOL - FRIDAY NIGHT

Eva comes out to the backyard holding drinks for her and Devin.

EVA
Your iced tea.

DEVIN
Thanks.

He gulps it down.

EVA
I'm not getting you another.

DEVIN
It's hot out here.

EVA
So tell me.

DEVIN
What's on your mind babe?

EVA
About pickup.

DEVIN
What about pickup? There's so much
stuff.

EVA
OK, what stuff did you use on me?

DEVIN
You'll get mad, I know you.

EVA
(playfully pushes him)
No I won't. I promise.

DEVIN
Cross your heart?

EVA
Hope to die.

DEVIN
Kiss a fat, smelly man with pink
eye?

EVA
(laugh)
You're so gross! Tell me!

DEVIN
OK fine. When I first saw you I-
(starts thinking)
Come to think of it. I didn't use
anything on you. I was just
completely honest! Is that it?

EVA
Is what it?

DEVIN
No, it can't be that simple, is it?

EVA
You'd be surprised how sexy honesty
is to a girl.

DEVIN
OK, I'm going to honest with you
for a minute.

He stands up with Eva and holds her close.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
(looking into her eyes)
Eva Underwood. I think-
(beat)
The tea was a little a bitter.

She scoffs and playfully throws him in the pool.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
What? I was being honest?

She hits him in the head with a pool ball.

INT. PROM NIGHT - THE NEXT DAY

TITLE CARD UP: SATURDAY NIGHT - PROM NIGHT

We see several students around the school dressed in typical prom getups.

EXT. INSIDE THE GYM - CONTINUOUS

Inside we see the gym is decorated in the school's colors.

Students are dancing, we see some guys standing awkwardly against the wall.

Eva is standing talking with her friends.

Devin, Thorne, Logan, and Riker are standing around chatting.

Steven comes up, he's looks completely different, haircut, new style, etc.

STEVEN

What's happening Devin?

DEVIN

Steven? What's up man!?! Lookin' good, no homo of course.

STEVEN

Nothing much, you know just hangin'.

DEVIN

Cool.

(beat)

Sorry about flaking on you during your date.

STEVEN

No problem. I was myself.

DEVIN

Oh yeah? How'd it go?

STEVEN

She left.

THORNE

Ouch.

STEVEN

Yeah well, when I was sitting her alone, sobbing.

(MORE)

STEVEN (CONT'D)
(get's a soured look)
A familiar girl came in...

Brooklyn walks up.

The guys are shocked.

BROOKLYN
Hey guys. Sorry about what happened
between us Devin.

DEVIN
It's chill.

BROOKLYN
(to Steven)
Come on baby, I wanna dance.

STEVEN
(holding her)
Baby, I'm talking to my friend.
I'll see you in a little bit. Get
warmed up for me.

He kisses her and lets her go.

STEVEN (CONT'D)
So? What do you guys think?

LOGAN
Wow, you got Brooklyn.

DEVIN
Congrats.

STEVEN
I just wanted to thank you for all
your help Devin. Without you I
wouldn't have got off my butt and
changed my life. I get how to get
girls now, that's not the important
thing. Life is about having fun and
experiencing things, girls just
come along for the ride. Well I
can't keep my girl waiting anymore!

Devin thinks to myself.

Eva comes up and grabs him.

EVA
They're about to announce the king
and queen.

Eva pulls him to the front of the crowd.

INT. KING AND QUEEN ANNOUCEMENT - CONTINUOUS

The students wait anxiously.

PRINCIPLE KELLY steps up to the microphone.

PRINCIPLE KELLY

Welcome students, and I hope you're enjoying your night! You all look very beautiful.

(smiles)

Most of you will be graduating soon, beginning your lives as strong, independent, bright young adults. And I know from the bottom of my heart you'll do just fine.

The crowd cheers.

PRINCIPLE KELLY (CONT'D)

At this time I want to announce this year's prom king and queen.

A teacher gives her the envelope.

PRINCIPLE KELLY (CONT'D)

(to the teacher)

Thank you.

(reading the card)

BHHS's king and queen are... Devin Spears and Eva Underwood!!

The prom-goers erupt with cheers as the couple, hand in hand go up on stage and accept the crowd. Devin is resistant at first, but Eva gets him to put it on.

DEVIN

Thank you all. It's absolutely-

(looks at Eva)

All the guys here. We need to have a talk. As many of you know in the last few weeks of my high school career, I've been pretty much talked about at every corner. And not for a good reason.

Devin looks at through the crowd.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Many of you see me as a typical player, others formerly a nerd, some the coolest guy you ever met, and to a few a God. Those are labels, it took an old friend of mine to remind me of why I started learning this stuff. To better myself. Not to trick girls, not to become a player.

He looks to Eva and holds her hands.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

I almost lost someone that meant to world to me, for my selfishness.

(looks into Eva's eyes)

Eva Marie Underwood, you taught me about honesty. So I'm being honesty with you in front of everyone. I love you. I'm glad you're in my life, I never want to lose you.

He kisses her.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

Take it from your pickup artist. Your god, your player, your geek. It doesn't matter what anyone of you think. The only think that matters to me is what-

(looks at Eva)

She thinks.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

You don't need lines or routines or someone else to tell your how to live your life. Be honest with yourself and get out and do it!

The place explodes with cheers and applause.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

And oh yeah! Ladies, I'm off the market. Keep your hands to yourselves.

INT. TALKING WITH AN OLD FRIEND - CONTINUOUS

Devin leads Eva to the dance floor, but are stopped by Alvin.

ALVIN

Devin.

DEVIN
 (turns to see him)
 Alvin!

He hugs him.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
 I haven't seen you in forever! I
 was actually going to find you
 after prom, I have something for
 you.

He reaches into his blazer and pulls out two tickets.

DEVIN (CONT'D)
 Here.

ALVIN
 Two ringside seats to
 WrestleMania!?!

DEVIN
 You know it my man. I felt back for
 sticking you with that 40 dollar
 bill.

ALVIN
 But these are 600 dollars a pop?

DEVIN
 (laughs)
 OK, then you owe me 1160 dollars.
 Pay me whenever.

EVA
 Should I leave and let you guys
 mingle?

ALVIN
 No it's cool. And dare I say Eva
 you look very smashing tonight.

EVA
 (blushes)
 Thank you.

ALVIN
 So, Devin you wanna back to my
 place after prom? I just got the
 rest of my WrestleMania Anthology
 in the mail this morning.

DEVIN

I'll have to take a rain check. Eva and I are hitting up Thorne's B-day bash tonight.

Alvin looks down.

DEVIN (CONT'D)

What's with the long face? You're coming too.

ALVIN

What!?! How'd you pull that off?

DEVIN

Just talked it out with him. I thought it'd save you lots of money on pants and shoelaces.

ALVIN

(hugs him)

Thank you man. You're the best!

DEVIN

I know.

PRINCIPLE KELLY

(into the microphone)

It is now time for the King and Queen center dance.

Devin takes Eva's hand and leads her to the dance floor.

MONTAGE

MUSIC UP: NEED YOU NOW - LADY ANTEBELLUM

- 1) Devin and Eva do classic slow dance moves.
- 2) Steven is slow dancing with Brooklyn.
- 3) Max and Alvin are standing around, but girls come up and they guide them to the dance floor.
- 4) Logan, Thorne, and Riker are just "bro" dancing it out.

END MONTAGE

INT. DANCE OFF - CONTINUOUS

Devin breaks away from Eva.

He motions for a mic.

DEVIN
 Slow dancing cool and all, but
 let's say we turn this up a lil!
 Hit it old school!

MUSIC UP: BYE BYE BYE - N'SYNC

The whole gym breaks into a flash mob for the song.

They create a hole in the center, a group of guys break dance, Devin, Logan, Alvin, Thorne, Max, Riker, and Steven finish it out.

The gym breaks out into laughs and applause.

MUSIC UP: THE LETDOWN - THE WHITE TIE AFFAIR

EXT. WALKING TO THORNE'S PARTY - LATER

We see crowds and crowds of people, arriving for Thorne's Exclusive Beverly Hills Hotel party ages ranging from young to college aged.

Devin and Eva walk hand in hand along the sidewalk up to the hotel.

EVA
 You ready?

DEVIN
 Why wouldn't I be?

EVA
 You've always had problems here. At parties.

DEVIN
 I got invited once. Got grounded and couldn't go. Bad luck. Besides, I have nothing to compete for now.

EVA
 Well I do. I'm gonna make sure you have the best night of your life.

DEVIN
 Isn't that my job?

They reach the front of the front entrance.

EVA
Not anymore.

They kiss passionately and they proceed up the walk way and into the hotel.

MUSIC UP: MIDNIGHT ROMEO - ROMEO

THE END