

Like Her

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INT. EVE'S ROOM

LUCY (Eve's younger sister) is staring at a picture of Eve's boyfriend on the wall

*EVE is running around her room packing things into a cardboard box, which of there are multiple in her room. *

EVE

This move is insane! Seriously will I ever be done packing? And I swear half my stuff just disappears... And great now we're out of tape again.

Lucy is putting on Eve's lipstick as she stares at herself in the mirror

LUCY

... Do you think I'm sexy?

EVE

What? What are you talking about, you're 16 and I don't have time for this. Right, I'm popping to the shop for more tape, Blake is going to be here soon so let him in for me.

LUCY

Why can't you ask mum to?

EVE

Why do you think? She's been called in for overtime, again.

LUCY

I can't believe you're leaving me here with her. Take me with you! That would be fun, right?

EVE

Not happening Lu, she only works so much to provide for you. She does it for us.

LUCY

Yeah, and now we both have crippling mummy issues.

EVE

Don't say that she's not that bad. Look I have to go, I'll be home soon.

LUCY

...Yeah, right.

Eve walks out her room and Lucy takes another glance at Blake's picture on the wall

INT. LIVING ROOM

The doorbell rings and Lucy rushes to answer, she opens the door to Blake holding a bouquet of roses

LUCY

Hi Blakey! Are those for Eve?...

BLAKE

... Well, actually, they're for you, you know like a goodbye forever present

He winks at her, and she takes the flowers

LUCY

For me? ...That's not funny. You're not really saying goodbye forever, right?

BLAKE

laughs nah you'd miss me too much; I know I'm your favourite person.

He ruffles up her hair as he walks past, Lucy rolls her eyes

They take a seat in the living room and Blake switches on the TV

BLAKE

Where's your sister then?

LUCY

She's gone to the shop for tape or something, and I am going to do homework so have fun.

She gets up to leave

BLAKE

Aw really? You're just going to leave me here by myself? Too hard to resist temptation?

LUCY

Yeah, temptation to punch you in the face.

She walks out the living room

INT. HALLWAY

Lucy cautiously looks around to check if she is alone as she sneaks into Eve's room

She rummages through the remains of what has not yet been packed and slips a lipstick and necklace into her pocket before taking a dress from the wardrobe

She holds the dress up against herself as she admires herself, smiling in the mirror, the photo of Blake from the wall is missing

Footsteps are heard walking up the stairs and Lucy quickly runs out of the room

INT. LUCY'S ROOM

Lucy is sat by her desk with her head down doing homework

enter Blake

BLAKE

Knock, knock

LUCY

Hey loser, I told you I was doing homework

BLAKE

But I got so lonely by myself, don't you want to keep me company, just until Eve gets back?

LUCY

Fine, you can help me with this, my brain is mush. I guess I've been feeling a little bit...
Distracted.

BLAKE

Go on then, you're in luck, always got top marks in my class.

He pulls up a small stool next to her and starts reading the homework

BLAKE

Oh, this is way easy, first you need to move that 3 over to the other side and then multiply that by the 6 then find the square root of that.

LUCY

How did you do that so fast? Can't believe you've never helped me before!

She jokingly smacks his arm, and he catches it

BLAKE

What are we resorting to violence now? *he smirks* Come on Lu, you know I'll win

He leans closer with her hand still in his

BLAKE

whispering I always do.

LUCY

scoffs yeah, we'll see about that won't we?

Lucy is still smiling at Blake, but he is no longer smiling, they hold each other's gaze for a moment longer as Lucy's smile fades and Blake leans in further for a kiss

She does not move and does not kiss back, Blake eventually pulls away and whispers in her ear

BLAKE

I know you want me too; I see you looking when you think I can't see. I see you wearing her clothes to try and impress me, don't you?

Lucy says nothing, Blake gets up to and walks towards her bedroom door, she follows him with her eyes

Transition, as Blake closes the door the front door is opened by Eve

INT. LIVING ROOM

Eve walks in with 5 bags of shopping

EVE

HEY! Where is everyone?

Enter Lucy and Blake

EVE

Ah there you are, God Luce a smile won't hurt. Blake help me pack these away, I know I only went for tape but that Aldi middle row is wild.

Blake looks at Lucy and smiles as he goes to grab the bags, she stares back at him blankly and swiftly turns to leave

EVE

Lucy come back!-

Lucy stops walking and turns to look at Eve

EVE

--Hang out with me and Blake, it's our last night before the big move, I want to spend time with you!

LUCY

... I really should be doing homework...

EVE

Homework? Since when do you do homework? *laughs*

LUCY

tearing up Eve just fuck off I'm going to do homework!

Lucy slams the living room door and goes upstairs

INT. LUCY'S ROOM

Lucy is laid in her bed staring at the ceiling, enter Eve

EVE

What was that about? Listen I know you're upset about the move bu-

LUCY

It's not about the move.

EVE

Okay, then what? Is this about mum? Luce you know she loves you so mu-

LUCY

No Eve! It's not about mum, it's not... it's...

Lucy starts sobbing and Eve sits down next to her on the bed and starts stroking her head

EVE

Luce... What happened? You know you can tell me anything

LUCY

... No... I can't... Not this-

She starts sobbing harder

LUCY

--You'd hate me

EVE

Lucy tell me!

Lucy reaches under her pillow and takes out the missing photo of Blake from Eve's wall, Eve looks down at the photo and furrows her eyebrows then looks back up at Luce

Sound is drowned out by police sirens as Lucy starts hysterically crying and Eve wraps her arms around her

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