BABE TIME

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INT. KARAOKE BAR - NIGHT

FINN, late 20s, is on stage finishing up "If I Could Turn Back Time" by CHER.

FINN IF I COULD TURN BACK TIME. IF I COULD FIND A WAY...

The audience is booing. Finn bows and waves to the audience.

FINN (CONT'D)

Thank you! Thank you! Up next we have my roommate! Put your hands together for the prettiest guy I know and my high school sweetheart, Rich!

RICH, late 20s, enters the stage and grabs the microphone.

RICH Thanks for that Finn. I'd like to bring my beautiful girlfriend of five years up to the stage real quick.

KAREN, late 20s, is shown in the crowd. Shaking her head "no".

KAREN

No.

RICH Yeah! Why don't you come on up?

KAREN

No.

RICH Okay, that's Fine.

Rich gets down on one knee.

RICH (CONT'D) Karen, will you marry me?

Karen stands up and runs out of the bar. Finn gets up on stage and grabs the mic as Rich runs out after Karen.

FINN

I'll take it from here Rich!

The crowd boos at Finn, as "WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN" begins. Rich jumps off of the stage and runs out of the bar.

FINN (CONT'D) Well I just heard...

CUT TO:

EXT. KARAOKE BAR - NIGHT

Finn's singing is heard muffled in the background as Rich catches up to Karen.

RICH Karen, wait!

KAREN Why would you do that Rich?

RICH What do you mean? I want to spend the rest of my life with you.

KAREN

No you don't. Things haven't been good for a long time Rich. Everything is always about you and always will be. There was never an "us".

RICH That's not true.

CUT TO:

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FINN WELL I DON'T KNOW, IF I'M READY...

CUT TO:

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KAREN

And I don't know if you are either. We haven't even talked this through once. It's always your terms, with everything. You quit my dad's company because you wanted to be a writer. This isn't what I want anymore.

RICH Karen please.

KAREN No Rich. This isn't going to work out.

RICH Karen, let's talk about this.

Rich holds his arms out wide while Karen walks away.

The camera pans to Finn through the window continuing with his song.

FINN WITH ARMS WIDE OPEN...

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - DAY

A time lapse of beautiful women laying in Rich's open arms happens throughout the remainder of chorus - "Under the sunlight. Welcome to this place. I'll show you everything. With arms wide open. Now everything has changed. I'll show you love. I'll show you everything. With arms wide open. With arms wide open." The bedroom fills with empty bottles and cans. The time-lapse goes from night to day numerous times. Rich gets up and walks to his bathroom.

CUT TO:

INT. BATHROOM - NIGHT

Rich is in the bathroom on the phone with a woman. He's walking around in his underwear brushing his teeth.

RICH Mm hmm. Yeah. I'm sorry it had to be like this. Yeah, but if you have to go, I understand.

Rich starts clipping his toenails.

RICH (CONT'D) I'll always cherish the great times we had.

Rich applies deodorant.

RICH (CONT'D) I'll always love you too Monica. Please remember me.

Rich hangs up the phone before Monica can respond to what he's said and opens the bathroom door.

CUT TO:

INT: BEDROOM - MOMENTS LATER

SARAH, late 20s, is in his bed, wearing nothing but her bra and panties.

SARAH Who was that babe?

RICH Just my mom. There was a bit of a family emergency.

Rich gives Sarah some fake puppy eyes and walks toward the bed.

In the background, a shadowy figure undetectable to Rich and Sarah walks past the doorway.

RICH (CONT'D) She wanted to tell me that her cat just died. The one she's had since I was 7.

SARAH Aww Rich. I'm so sorry. I know what it's like to lose a little furry family member.

Rich takes a deep breath and goes in for a comforting hug.

RICH Thanks Jenna. I'm really lucky to have someone like you in my life.

Sarah looks forward puzzled.

SARAH Jenna? Who's Jenna?

Rich is paralyzed. He's said the wrong name.

RICH Jenna? I said "Sarah".

Sarah gets up and starts gathering her things in a hurry.

SARAH

No Rich. You clearly said Jenna. They sound NOTHING alike.

RICH

I'm just so emotional right now. "Jenna" is the cat's name. The newly dead cat.

SARAH Right. And the last time, Nadine was your dead dog. I'm out of here.

RICH My mom takes poor care of her animals! Sarah, come on.

RICH (CONT'D) (to himself) No, don't go.

Rich doesn't make much of an effort to stop Sarah. As Sarah exits the bedroom Rich immediately picks up his phone and makes a call.

RICH (CONT'D)

Hey Annie, what are you up to? I was just thinking about you. I had a bad craving for your signature tongue twist move all over my b...

A blood curdling scream comes from the kitchen.

CUT TO:

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

Rich runs toward the kitchen in his boxers. Sarah stands, staring angrily toward the refrigerator. A scraggly girl, FLICK late 20s, with combat boots, boy shorts underwear, and a scraggly snow hat with ear flaps covering her unbrushed hair stands in the light of the fridge with a milk mustache, and a carton of milk in her hand.

> SARAH Who the FRICK is SHE now? Is this Jenna?

FLICK Nope, I'm Flick. Felicity...

Beat.

FLICK (CONT'D)
 (to Rich)
Rich?

Flick burps, making her sentence almost inaudible. Rich and Sarah stare at each other.

SARAH Seriously Rich? RICH I have no idea what that is. Excuse me for ONE minute.

Rich leaves the situation to make another phone call. This time it's Finn. Finn has a habit of inviting people over when he is out of town.

CUT TO:

INT. HOTEL - NIGHT

Finn is wearing a bathrobe and sunglasses with a drink in hand, singing into his phone to a girl in his hotel room.

FINN I CAN BE YOUR HERO BABY. I CAN KISS AWAY THE PAIN. I WILL STAND BY YOU FOREVER...

Finn's phone goes off, it's Rich.

FINN (CONT'D) YOU CAN TAKE MY BREATH AWAY. Rich! What's going on man? I'm just about to head into something.

RICH Oh nothing. I thought I'd just give you a call to say hey.

FINN Well hello!

RICH Where are you, who the hell is this homeless person drinking out of my milk carton, and why does she know my name? FINN

Great! You Finally met my sister. Don't worry about it man, she's just staying in my room while I'm gone. Remember we had a going away party for me a few months ago.

RICH

We did?

FINN Yes. We did karaoke. You proposed to Karen.

RICH

Oh shit.

FINN She said no. Remember?

RICH

Yeah of course. I'm sorry. Why am I just finding out about your sister?

FINN It's always easier to ask for forgiveness than for permission, bud!

RICH

This is such a bad time man. I'm in the process of getting over Karen.

FINN

Rich, you guys broke up three months ago. Wait, have you really not noticed I've been gone for three months?

RICH

I've been in my own world. Why are you letting her stay here?

FINN

Because she has nowhere else to go and I feel bad. Look at her. She's like a little lost puppy. A dumpster puppy.

RICH I see the dumpster part.

FINN

She just needs a little boost getting herself together. It's only for a month. Look, you can either keep trying to go your way and sleep with everything that moves, or you can get out of the apartment and help get her on her feet.

RICH She needs more than a "little"

boost. You're gone for another month? How long is this trip of yours?

Finn crumples up paper next to the phone.

FINN

I think I'm losing you man. Going through a tunnel now. Don't worry so much, she won't even be in your way. I need to get going. Whatever you do, don't go near my sister with your sad sad saaaaddddd wiener.

Finn continues to crumple up paper next to the phone, making it difficult for Rich to hear.

RICH With what?

FINN Your herpes!

RICH My herpes?

FINN You have herpes? Get that checked. I gotta go!

Finn hangs up the phone and continues his song.

FINN (CONT'D) WOULD YOU TREMBLE...

BACK TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Rich hangs up his phone to see that the girls heard the last part of the conversation. They both have confused looks on their faces, in their newly braided hair that they did for each other.

RICH It's not what it sounded like.

Sarah storms off to open the front door, revealing ANNIE, late 20s, standing in the doorway with a bottle of champagne.

RICH (CONT'D) It's not what it looks like.

Rich takes a swig out of the bottle of Bourbon on the counter. He then grabs the bottle, along with another and heads to bed.

FADE TO:

INT. BEDROOM - THE NEXT DAY

Rich wakes up hanging off of his bed with a massive headache. He thinks he just had a horrible dream and relaxes for a bit. He rolls over in his bed onto a plate of breakfast with a note that reads "Looks like you could use this". With a smile on his face he texts Sarah to say "thanks for the breakfast". Rich grabs the plate and starts picking at the food as he walks into the living room.

CUT TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

This place is a complete mess. His plate smashes on the ground as he looks around in disgust. Flick is sitting on the top of the couch playing Halo.

FLICK Gooooood morning roomy! Did you enjoy your breakfast?

FLICK (CONT'D) (to the TV) No! I need back up you noob bastard! He's teabagging me! He's teabagging me.

Rich stands there appalled.

RICH What the...

Flick glances over her shoulder to Rich.

FLICK Hey, we're out of milk.

RICH No, I'm out of milk. Who drinks straight out of the carton? Someone else's carton. Hello?

FLICK Hey, what's up?

RICH Use a glass when you drink my milk.

FLICK

Can't.

RICH Why is that?

FLICK Because we are out of milk.

RICH

Jesus!

FLICK I'm just kidding! One of these days we're going to laugh about this milk nonsense. Probably when you pick up a new gallon.

RICH You're something else.

Rich storms back to his room to use the shower. Flick doesn't flinch.

FLICK (to the TV) Be a man or get out of here!

Rich turns back around.

RICH Excuse me?

Flick turns around to Rich.

FLICK I'm just talking to the kids on this game.

Rich turns back around and begins to exit, Flick turns around again.

FLICK (CONT'D)

Pussy.

Rich turns around again to see that Flick is still looking at the TV. He shakes it off and exits. Flick has a smile on her face.

CUT TO:

INT. SHOWER - MOMENTS LATER

Rich opens the shower curtain and begins showering only to find his expensive soaps and razors have been tampered with. There is hair in the razor, and his body wash is empty and slimy. He continues to look at the mess in the shower. The water quickly turns cold and Rich quickly turns off the shower and reaches for his towel, that is no longer there. He steps out of the shower and looks for his towel. The camera pans to see Flick, sitting on the toilet reading the newspaper and eating breakfast.

Rich screams.

Flick screams.

FLICK What's wrong?

Flick looks down at Rich's naked body and smiles, Rich quickly covers himself up with the first thing he can grab, a slice of pizza. He notices it's pizza and changes it for a smaller towel.

> RICH What do you mean what's wrong?

> > FLICK

I don't know, you seemed on edge so I thought I'd ask.

RICH I am on edge! What are you doing in here? FLICK I really had to go. Plus this saves time...

Flick flushes the toilet.

FLICK (CONT'D) and water.

Flick starts to wipe her mouth with Rich's towel as he snatches it out of her hand and puts it around his waist.

RICH My god, you're crazy!

FLICK I'm not the one acting crazy right now.

RICH Haven't you ever heard of privacy?

FLICK Why yes, I have. Now would you please get out. I have stage fright.

Rich exits to his bedroom.

CUT TO:

INT. BEDROOM - DAY

Rich grabs his phone to call Finn again.

CUT TO:

EXT. BEACH - DAY

Finn is laying out enjoying a margarita in the sand with a couple of attractive women as his phone goes off.

FINN

Rich! What's up buddy?

RICH I can't do this man.

FINN

Do what?

RICH Your sister.

FINN I told you not to do my sister!

RICH No, I can't live with her.

FINN Don't be so dramatic Meryl Streep, what happened?

RICH

She's been here for less than 24 hours and she's already destroyed a hook-up, trashed the house, messed up all of my shower stuff and has no boundaries when it comes to privacy.

FINN Did she use the toilet while you were in the shower?

RICH

Yes!

FINN Well it saves time. We do that all the time. It's really not a big deal.

RICH Your family has some issues.

FINN

And water.

RICH This is Twilight Zone shit.

FINN Well there's nothing we can do about it now. Either clean her up and kick her out, or keep doing what you're doing. RICH That's a big task. FINN Just go get a coffee somewhere. Tell her to clean up while you're gone and everything will be Fine. Trust me. RTCH Yeah but I... FINN I gotta Finish up some work ... RICH I just... FINN So I will talk to your bitch ass later muchacho.

Finn hangs up the phone before Rich can respond.

BACK TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Flick is dancing to "Never Gunna Give You Up" as she continues to play her video games.

RICH I'm going to get a coffee and some work done at the shop downstairs. Want anything?

FLICK I can't drink coffee, makes me a little hyper. Don't forget to grab some milk while you're out. RICH While I'm gone, please try to clean up the house. It's gotten a bit messy.

FLICK Yeah I was gunna fix it right on up before I go out tonight.

Rich just stares at her gritting his teeth and clenching his fists as he exits the apartment. Flick's phone rings, it's Finn.

FLICK (CONT'D) Hey big bro!

FINN Hello Felicity.

FLICK How's your trip?

FINN It's amazing! Make sure you don't tell Rich I'm just on vacation. He thinks I'm out of town for work.

FLICK Most certainly!

FINN And please go easy on him, he's a really sweet guy whose going through some real shit.

FLICK Yeah I figured. I'll take good care of him too.

FINN Atta girl! I need to go find some drugs. Be good!

FLICK

Yeah yeah.

FINN I hate you! FINN Aww, hugs and kisses.

Flick hangs up the phone and looks around the apartment. She doesn't know where to start. She goes to the fridge and starts throwing items away. One of the things she threw away was a container of chicken wings. She takes the wings back out of the trash and starts eating them and falls asleep on the couch while doing so.

CUT TO:

INT. COFFEE SHOP - DAY

Rich sits at the coffee shop with 5 empty cups in front of him. His phone rings, it's Karen. Rich ignores the call, this becomes the 12th missed call from her. His eyes are wide, he's shaking a bit, and is typing ridiculously fast. A hot, devilish looking girl, STACY late 20s, notices him.

STACY

Rich?

YES?

Rich looks up with his wide open eyes, the amount of coffee is making it difficult to control the volume of his voice.

RICH

He recognizes her face, but doesn't remember her name.

RICH (CONT'D) YES hi. Jjjeeesss... STACY

Stacy.

RICH Jjjjuuust was thinking about you.

STACY How's it going? I haven't heard from you in a while.

Rich is still jittery from all of the coffee.

RICH You know, same old. How about you?

STACY

I've been great. Listen, I have to be honest. I come in here every so often hoping to see you so we can, Uh, catch up. Do you still live upstairs?

RICH YES! I mean yeah.

Beat.

RICH (CONT'D) No. No I don't. I do not live there anymore. Upstairs.

STACY Oh. Well where do you live?

RICH You know. Down...

STACY

Down?

RICH Yeah. Down by the bay.

STACY Down by the bay? Where the watermelon grows?

RICH

Yes?

RICH

Yeah, I'm Fine. I just... So I honestly... I had a party last night, and well, my house is a mess. Like a total shitstorm mess. My cleaning lady is there right now taking care of it but it was like REALLY bad and I want to leave her in peace so she can clean.

STACY I don't mind. I like it dirty!

Stacy grabs his keys off the table and runs out the door. Rich fumbles to close his laptop and chase after her. He's too late.

CUT TO:

IN. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Rich catches up to Stacy who has already entered his apartment.

RICH This is the worst idea. I'm really tired and I think maybe I should just...

Rich looks around to see that the house is sparkling clean, with candles lit. Rick Astley is still playing as Flick enters the living room in one of Rich's button down shirts and a bottle of wine.

> FLICK Hey stud, how was your day?

STACY I see why you didn't want me to come here. Stacy, upset, quickly exits the apartment. Rich makes a poor attempt at going after her.

RICH (to Flick) You are seriously interfering with my babe time.

FLICK She was pretty hot. Give me a chest bump!

Flick signals for a chest bump. Rich just looks at her.

FLICK (CONT'D) But I cleaned up-

RICH

I don't care. Cancel your plans for tomorrow. I think we should get to know each other if you're going to be living here, and please stop interfering with my babe time.

FLICK You keep saying babe time, I don't think I've seen that show.

Rich exits to his bedroom.

FADE TO:

EXT. CAR - DAY

Rich opens his car door and sits.

CUT TO:

Flick is passed out in her pile of slop. She is snoring and in a starfish position.

BACK TO:

EXT. CAR - DAY

Rich starts the car and notices a couple of crumbs in the cup holder.

BACK TO:

INT. FLICK'S BEDROOM - DAY

Flick is in a different position in bed snoring out of control.

BACK TO:

EXT. CAR - DAY

Rich calls into work saying he is sick and gets out of his car.

RICH Hey, it's Rich. I'm not going to be able to work today. Something's come up.

BACK TO:

INT. FLICK'S BEDROOM - DAY

Flick is now in a third odd sleeping position. Rich bursts into her room.

RICH Did you use my car last night while I was sleeping?

FLICK

What?

RICH My car! Did you take my car for a joy ride last night?

FLICK No. I did not?

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FLASHBACK: INT. RICH'S CAR - NIGHT

Flick is singing and eating a burrito in Rich's car. She pulls up to a stoplight next to two Hispanic men in a Mustang. She has burrito all over her face as she looks over, gives a nod, and revs the engine. The Mexican guys rev their engines back. The light turns green, the car bucks forward as she stalls out Rich's stick shift car in the middle of the street. She drops her burrito in the cup holder.

BACK TO:

INT. FLICK'S BEDROOM - DAY

RICH

Get up. We are hanging out today. First, your wardrobe is something of an acquired taste. I'd like to take you to get some new clothes. A "welcome to the city" if you will.

FLICK Sure! Between you and me, I only brought one pair of underwear.

RICH

That's not something I needed to know, but let's go fix that. I'm going to get the bathroom setup for you to get ready.

CUT TO:

INT. BATHROOM - DAY

Rich sets up a bath, and sets up a bunch of toiletries.

RICH Alright, I just set a bath with some great body scrubs and exfoliants. Be quick though, I have a lot planned.

FLICK Yessir! I'll keep the door unlocked incase you want to come in and get my back.

RICH I'll be in the living room.

Rich turns around and slams the door behind him.

FADE TO:

EXT. SPA - DAY Rich and Flick pull up out front and park.

> RICH Let's get this pampering started.

FLICK Why are you doing this?

RICH Because you're my roommate's sister. I want you to feel at home while he's away.

FLICK You're a real knockout guy Richie.

RICH

Rich.

FLICK

Flick.

INT. SPA - DAY.

Rich and Flick enter the spa. Flick is practically dragged in. The employee, ERIC late 30s, takes notice.

ERIC Hello Richie! Who do we have here? She's cute!

RICH This is Finn's sister Felicity.

FLICK You can call me Flick.

ERIC We'll very nice to meet you Flick. Our Richie here is a great guy! He's one of our best customers!

RICH Thanks Eric. So I'd like to get her setup with the works.

ERIC You've got it hun!

ERIC (CONT'D) (to Flick) We have some work to do. I hope you're ready.

Flick shrieks as Eric walks her into the spa. Here we see Flick getting her eyebrows plucked, a haircut, a waxing, and a facial. She fights through all of it.

> ERIC (CONT'D) Rich, feast your eyes on the new beautiful Felicity!

Flick awkwardly shows herself off.

FLICK Hey look! I'm like one of your victims! FLICK (CONT'D) Aren't I just the prettiest.

Rich rolls his eyes and smiles.

RICH

Stunning.

Rich gives Eric his card.

ERIC Thank you Richie! Please come back real soon.

RICH Thanks Eric!

FADE TO:

INT. DEPARTMENT STORE - DAY.

Rich and Flick enter a department store and are immediately greeted by RHONDA, early 50s.

RHONDA Hey Rich! Welcome back.

Rhonda gives him a hug.

RICH Hey Rhonda, you look lovely.

RHONDA

Oh stop.

Rhonda doesn't want him to stop.

RHONDA (CONT'D) Who is your lovely friend?

FLICK

Hey! I'm Flick.

RICH

This is Finn's sister. She just moved here, so I'm showing her around and helping her get settled while her brother is out of town.

RHONDA Well what can we help you out with today?

RICH She needs just about everything. I trust you to take over from here.

RHONDA Well thank you Rich!

RHONDA (CONT'D) (to Flick) Right this way hun.

Rhonda leads Flick towards the women's section as Flick begins grabbing all of the wrong items, thinking that dressing slutty is what she's supposed to be doing. Rich just smiles and looks on. There is a montage of Flick trying on new clothes for Rich and Rhonda. She fights through all of it.

CUT TO:

INT. DEPARTMENT STORE CHECKOUT - DAY

Rich is paying for the multiple bags of clothes Flick just tried on.

RICH Thanks Rhonda! Next time I'm bringing you shopping.

RHONDA Oh Rich, you little charmer.

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Flick walks in and crashes on the couch. It's been a long day.

RICH I have one more thing for today.

FLICK Oh no. What is it?

RICH

I'd like to take you out to dinner. So go put something on that we picked out today.

FLICK Ugh. Do I have to? I'm so tired of this stuff.

Rich smiles and points to the bedroom. Flick enters and closes the door behind her. A timestamp comes up on the door "1 hour 14 minutes later".

Flick exits the bedroom looking gorgeous yet clearly uncomfortable. Rich's eyes light up.

RICH You look great.

FLICK Are you sure? I feel weird.

RICH No it's okay. You look very lovely. I made reservations at my favorite restaurant to show you how to dine in this city. Flick smiles and picks a wedgy from her dress.

FADE TO:

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

Rich escorts Flick into the restaurant. She seems timid. Everyone is checking her out.

FLICK

Why are you doing all of this?

RICH Your brother said to take care of you while you're in town.

The waitress approaches.

RICH (CONT'D)

Hello, we will start with two kale and feta salads. I will have the Braised Duck with fried artichokes, and the lady will have the Potato Gnocci with mixed vegetables. With two waters with lemon for now, please.

FLICK That's really sweet of you. I've never had someone want to hang out with me for a full day. I really appreciate it.

RICH Yeah, don't mention it.

FLICK

So I'm guessing by the flow of traffic that you don't have a girlfriend?

RICH No, my ex and I split up a couple months ago.

FLICK

Karen?

RICH Yeah. How did you know?

FLICK Finn told me. Said you went crazy or something.

RICH

I think that's a bit of a harsh statement. I'd rather not talk about her. We aren't on good terms and that's a name I'd rather forget.

FLICK

Okay.

Beat

FLICK (CONT'D) Can I ask you something?

RICH Is it about her?

FLICK

No.

RICH

Then yes.

FLICK How did it all end? Did you cheat on her or something?

RICH

Ugh. No, I became a bit consumed with life. I didn't have much time to be there for her. She felt a bit ignored and we decided it was best to both move on.

FLICK But you miss her don't you?

RICH From time to time I remember all of the good times her and I have had. As well as some of the bad.

FLICK

Why not make time for her then? Sounds like the two of you just needed a quick break. Well, I like how life is playing out right now. I'm able to get a lot done and keep my mind occupied.

They are served salad and Rich puts his napkin on his lap. She looks at the salad puzzled.

FLICK

Is that the reason for the piles of vagina flowing through the house?

RICH

Yes, but-

Flick has lost interest in the story.

FLICK Where's the food? This just looks like four pieces of lettuce. This is what my food usually eats.

RICH It's a starter salad.

Flick picks up the big fork and puts all of the lettuce she can fit onto the fork and shoves it into her mouth.

RICH (CONT'D) NO! STOP!

Flick takes the fork with all the salad on it out of her mouth. People are staring.

RICH (CONT'D) Put the fork down. Flick slides the lettuce off of the fork, back onto the plate with her fingers and puts the fork down.

RICH (CONT'D) Outside fork first, and take small... VERY SMALL bites. And chew with your mouth closed please.

Flick takes the outside fork with one piece of lettuce and gently bites it.

FLICK THAT better?

Rich smiles and thinks it was cute.

RICH

Yeah.

FLICK So Finn tells me you're a writer! How's that going?

RICH I am. It's going alright. I sold a couple screen plays a few months ago.

FLICK Ah! So that explains your expensive taste.

RICH Yeah. I got a hefty paycheck from them, but now I need to get moving on the next script. You wouldn't believe how quickly that money goes.

The waiter comes over to the table with their meals.

WAITER How is everything so far? Is there anything I can get you? FLICK Yeah, can I get, like, a beer? WAITER We have a fine selection of imported beers this evening. First we have--FLICK Yeah whatever I'll just have a Tall Boy Bud. Rich looks at her angrily.

> FLICK (CONT'D) The Budweiser. Light. Small. Please.

RICH (to Flick) I bet you'd like to try something more flavorful and rich where you can appreciate the melded flavors. (to the waiter) We'll have an Argentinian Malbec.

WAITER Very good sir. I'll be back momentarily.

FLICK (to Rich) I'm not going to like it.

CUT TO:

INT. RESTAURANT - ONE HOUR LATER

Flick is drunk off her ass and her mouth is all red from the wine. Rich has a buzz going as well, but isn't as loud as Flick. They are really enjoying each other's company.

FLICK

This is f-word DELICIOUS!

RICH

I'm glad you like it. But I think you should maybe slow down?

FLICK

You're probably right. You know, I'm really envious of you. You really have your shit together. I bet you're an amazing writer too! I can't wait to read what you've been working on.

RICH

I haven't really gotten much done. As soon as I have something to show you, you'll be the first to read it.

FLICK

My brother is so wrong about you. You ARE one classy gentleman. Even if you do waste your life shallowly "doin' it" with girls that lack any brains.

Flick dry humps that table as she says "doin' in".

FLICK

and selfishly swooping in on everyone else's ladies... and hoarding women for yourself.

RICH

I am not a woman hoarder! I just haven't met someone worth my time just yet.

FLICK

I know! I just literally said that, duh. You just haven't found the right one yet is all. THAT is your problem. I just think you are great and thoughtful. I mean, look what you are doing for me! I never had anyone care about me like this in my life! Well, except my brother. (MORE)
FLICK (CONT'D) When you find the right one, she will be one lucky lady. So do what you gotta do Rick-o!

The camera closes in on Rich thinking to himself about what she just said.

FADE TO:

EXT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

Rich and Flick both exit, stumbling a bit over each other.

FLICK That dinner was amazing. You're amazing. Let's get out of here and out of this dress.

Flick starts picking at her dress.

RICH The cab is on it's way.

Flick tries lighting a cigarette and walks into a bush. The pace she was at made her fall backwards in a giggly stumble. Rich leans down to help her up.

RICH (CONT'D) Ha-ha, are you okay?

FLICK Yes! Now that you're here Prince Charming. That bush came right at me out of nowhere!

There's an awkward moment where they almost kiss. Flick burps in Rich's face.

RICH The cab is here.

Rich helps Flick to her feet and she brushes her self off. Rich opens the door for her and they both get in. Flick falls asleep on Rich's arm in the cap.

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - DAY

Flick exit's her room to see Rich is typing away at his computer.

FLICK Did you get any sleep at all?

RICH

Ha, I guess not. I've been writing all night.

FLICK Awesome! What about?

RICH A lot of nothing right now. Just getting something on paper.

FLICK Well that's good! I can't wait to read it!

RICH So what are your plans for today?

FLICK I don't know. I might want to start looking for a job.

RICH Do you have a resume put together?

FLICK I don't know how to write those things. As a writer you should totally help!

RICH I guess so. Have any leads?

FLICK

This video game company I want to work for is apparently looking for some new ideas. I think it'd be wise for me to try to get something together to pitch.

RICH

Which company?

FLICK Winchester Games.

RICH I know that place. Did you have anything put together yet?

FLICK

Honestly, I had a great idea about zombies-

RICH

I need to stop you right there. You can do better than zombies. They are way overplayed!

FLICK But they are so popular!

RICH

Have you done any research on them?

FLICK

Research? Yeah, I watch Night of the Living Dead like ten times a week.

RICH

All you have put together for your video game idea is based on one movie that you've seen a thousand times?

FLICK

Maybe.

RICH I could help you out a bit if you're interested. I've been writing for years.

FLICK Okay! Where do we start? RICH We could head over to the book store or something. I'm sure you'll be able to find something useful there.

FLICK A bookstore? Really? How is that supposed to help?

RICH I like to read to help get creativity flowing.

FLICK Can't I just go on the internet?

RICH I'd trust a good old fashioned book before something a 14 year old wrote on the internet.

FLICK What about a good old fashioned "FACE"book? Ha.

Flick winks and nudges Rich. Rich is not amused.

CUT TO:

INT. BOOKSTORE - DAY

Rich and Flick enter the bookstore and start poking around at different titles in different genres.

Flick is reading a book about zombies.

RICH You know, it might be a bit more helpful if you look into some well written classics?

FLICK Classic books are all boring.

RICH Look at it this way, you'll be the first person to come up with a game to appeal to a smarter audience.

FLICK Just show me the books.

Rich starts handing her books. He's stacking up titles like CATCHER IN THE RYE, LORD OF THE FLIES, THE GREAT GATSBY, some historical fashion books, art history, and THE ART OF WAR. Flick pretends to fall asleep as the books are being piled on her.

Rich begins flipping through the pages of another book as Flick pulls a book into frame titled "ZOMBIES FOR DUMMIES". Rich looks back and Flick quickly switches to one of the books Rich gave her. She begins to fumble and drops the stack of books she was holding.

> RICH Oh my god. Are you okay?

FLICK Haha yes. I guess I just got a little to into the reading.

Rich helps her to her feet and checks on her to make sure she is okay. He stacks up the books again and holds onto them himself this time.

> FLICK (CONT'D) I think you're right about this whole historically accurate game. Maybe zombies are a bit hokey and overplayed.

RICH Thank you. I think that's the smartest thing I've heard you say.

FLICK You're very welcome.

Flick does an awkward renaissance bow.

RICH Have you been to the Getty Museum? FLICK No sir. RICH There is a lot of great artwork and artifacts that we should check out sometime. I used to go there all the time to get inspired. FLICK Let's go! RICH Right now? FLICK Uh yeah dumdum.

RICH Alright then. Let me just checkout real quick.

CUT TO:

INT. GETTY MUSEUM - DAY

Rich starts discussing the different kinds of art and both of them start cracking jokes about nude paintings / and odd looking sculptures. All we hear is music as Flick is just admiring Rich ramble on about artwork. She's starting to fall for him. While this is happening we see that Flick is sitting on an old antique chair behind a rope that has a sign saying "Do Not Touch"

> SECURITY Hey! Get off of that! Can't you read the sign?

> > FLICK

Ahh!

RICH Come on! Let's go! Rich immediately runs to grab Flick and the two start running out of the museum while being chased by the security guard. Both are laughing and holding hands.

CUT TO:

EXT. GETTY MUSEUM - NIGHT

Rich and Flick bust through the door and to the car.

RICH Haha why were we even running?

FLICK I have no idea. It seemed like the right thing to do.

RICH Yeah it did haha.

CUT TO:

INT: RICH'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Rich and Flick sit on the couch. Rich is on his computer, Flick is starting up some video games. He is making her a resume, that she doesn't see.

RICH (CONT'D) So what do you want to do out here?

FLICK

I don't really know. I think it'd be fun to work for the video game company, but other than that, I'm enjoying just kind of hanging out. Guess I should probably start looking for a practical job huh?

RICH

Yeah, it's always good to have something steady while looking for the dream job. What would you say are your qualifications for a job? FLICK Video games?

RICH That is not a qualification.

FLICK

Adventure?

RICH What does that even mean?

FLICK

I love adventure video games. I'm really good at them. I can also kill people pretty easily in them.

RICH None of those things will really qualify as... qualifications.

FLICK

Well I'm also a level 10 Enchanter named Smelli. I have these ridiculously high stats as far as raids go. That basically means I'm a crucial asset to just about any team. I am working on getting my stats up though, potions are pretty useless right now.

Rich stares on at her.

RICH So basically you're determined, you like to think outside the box, and are a team player?

FLICK That's almost exactly what I said.

Rich makes notes on his laptop while Flick starts playing her game.

RICH

Well I need to get some writing done tonight. I think we have a lot of great resources for you to make your game idea really believable.

FLICK No! You can't do that.

RICH

Do what?

FLICK Go write before getting your ass kicked.

Flick hands Rich a controller.

FLICK (CONT'D)

You can start working as soon as you beat me. I need to relax a little bit after all of that running around today.

RICH

I have some time for a quick game, but I need to get some writing done. I haven't done much in the last couple of weeks.

FLICK Probably because of all of the distractions.

. RICH

Exactly!

FLICK The girls you bring over.

RICH

Oh. Yeah.

The two play a game that Flick completely destroys Rich in. They play so long that Flick passes out on the couch. Rich finally beats her and realizes that she is sleeping.

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S DESK - NIGHT

Rich continues working on Flick's resume as she incoherently shuffles to her bedroom without acknowledging Rich. Rich quickly closes out of everything. Once he notices that she is basically a zombie he gets back to her resume.

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S BATHROOM - DAY

We hear Flick in the shower singing incoherently as the water shuts off. Flick steps out and grabs her towel as the camera pans to Rich sitting on the toilet finishing up his business.

> RICH What a lovely song.

Flick shrieks.

FLICK Jesus! You scared me.

RICH Now we are even.

FLICK And water has been saved.

Flick turns and starts putting on makeup while Rich is trying to wash his hands.

FLICK (CONT'D) What are you up to today?

RTCH I have to head into work in the next 15 minutes or so. FLICK Oh so you do have an actual job! RICH Yes I wasn't lying. More importantly what are you doing up so early? FLICK I'm going to head out and look for a job. RICH I have a surprise for you! FLICK But I heard you flush. RICH Not that. I got a resume together for you. I figured you could use a little help. FLICK Look at you. I think you're starting to like me. RICH Don't get carried away. I saw what you had before, it was awful. Applying window tint isn't a special skill.

FLICK

You know you can really learn a lot about someone's quality of life based on how well their window tint is applied.

RICH That oddly enough makes a lot of sense. Best of luck. Tight body by the way.

Rich exits the bathroom. Flick removes her towel and looks down at her body and gives herself an affirmative nod.

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S WORK - DAY

Rich enters the office as the coworkers all look on in a confused state. His boss BILL, late 40s, walks up.

BILL Rich? Get in my office now.

RICH

Yes sir.

The two men enter Bill's office.

CUT TO:

INT. BILL'S OFFICE - DAY

BILL Please have a seat Rich.

RICH What's up?

BILL

What do you mean what's up? You haven't been to work in months. You've hardly kept in touch at all. We need the next great "Richard Myers" screenplay.

RICH I'm sorry, life has been hell.

BILL

Look we all heard about Karen, but you really need to get past that. We are behind on deadlines and the one time we've heard from you in recently was when you called in sick last week! RICH I understand and I'm terribly sorry.

BILL

So am I.

RICH

About what?

Beat.

RICH (CONT'D)

Bill?

BILL This is working out.

RICH I've heard that before.

BILL

Look we love your work, but you're miles away right now. We had to bring in someone new to finish what you never started.

In walks LISA, late 20s.

LISA Hey Rich, your girlfriend just dropped this off.

RICH Now's not a good time.

LISA It's about time you settle down stud, she's cute!

RICH

She's not-

Lisa exits. Rich opens the paper bag revealing lunch and a note that says "hope you're having an amazing day roomy! Love Flick"

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - LIVING ROOM - DAY

Flick is sitting on the couch with her computer. Rich enters.

RICH Good morning "roomy".

FLICK I thought you had to work.

RICH Yeah, I decided to work from home. How was job hunting?

FLICK It went okay. I got some

compliments on my resume! So thanks for that. I just really want to for Winchester Games.

RICH I think you should find something solid first.

FLICK I know. It's fun to dream though!

RICH Sometimes it's better to just let dreams be dreams.

Flick is a little crushed by Rich's tone.

RICH (CONT'D) What have you found so far?

FLICK Well... Cat Nanny, Law Office Assistant, Factory Worker, Fry Cook, Fluffer.

RICH

A what?

FLICK

Cat Nanny.

RICH

Fluffer?

FLICK No, I would just watch the cat. I don't know. Maybe I'm not cut out for this place. I hope I get it all figured out like you.

RICH

Yeah.

FLICK Wait, did you get my gift?

RICH Yeah I did. Thanks.

Flick sighs and lays back into the couch. Rich exits.

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Rich walks into his room and closes the door behind him. He sits on the edge of his bed and sits for a moment. He pulls out his phone and dials Karen.

> RICH Hey Karen. I need a favor from you.

> > FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S BEDROOM - DAY

A knock comes from Rich's bedroom door.

FLICK He kiddo. You went to bed a little early last night. Let's go for a walk. No.

FLICK Is something wrong?

RICH

RICH

No.

FLICK Are you masturbating?

RICH

Yes.

FLICK Should I talk dirty or something? How can I help?

Rich opens the door.

RICH

I'm up.

FLICK Perfect! Get ready. We are going for a walk.

Rich closes the door and gets ready.

CUT TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Rich comes out to the living room to see Flick dressed in workout gear bouncing around.

FLICK Today I want to take you out to show you how I live! Now quit being a sourpuss and let's go.

Rich snaps out of his funk.

FADE TO:

EXT. SIDEWALK - DAY

Rich and Flick start walking, Flick leads the way.

FLICK

So I know you're going to think this is a bit crazy, but I love going for walks! I go for hours some days.

RICH I wouldn't have thought that from you.

FLICK I know, I look like more of a runner.

Flick starts to run a bit but immediately cramps up.

FLICK (CONT'D) Just kidding! Walking is fun.

RICH Haha, slow it down. Where are we going?

FLICK We are going to the park that's just over here. I love to just sit and people watch.

The two sit down on a park bench and just relax.

FLICK (CONT'D) I like to imagine what other people are saying. It's actually a lot of fun.

RICH

Oh yeah?

FLICK YES! Look at those two over there.

There's a couple sitting on a blanket feeding each other strawberries.

FLICK (CONT'D) You're getting a bit fat honey, please just eat this fruit.

RICH

Yum!

FLICK (to Rich) Yum? That's all you have? You're really terrible at this for being a writer haha. Try it again.

Rich is reluctant. He watches as the man runs his fingers through the girl's hair.

RICH The orthodontist called... He said you need headgear.

FLICK Haha what the hell.

The man picks something out of his girlfriend's teeth.

RICH Right after we remove your dead tooth.

FLICK You're not too bad at this.

Flick and Rich get up and continue walking, past the couple.

FLICK (CONT'D)
 (to couple)
Don't worry, I hear it's a simple
procedure.

The couple looks on confused as Rich and Flick leave.

FLICK (CONT'D) Next we are going to hit up this barcade that I LOVE. RICH Barcade? FLICK Yes Richard. It's a bar that has an arcade in it. I have a ton of tokens from the night I borrowed your car. RICH You did take it! FLICK Yeah, I thought we were past this. RICH I don't trust a thing you say. FLICK

Pussy.

RICH Wait you did call me that the other day!

FADE TO:

INT. BARCADE - DAY

Flick runs in quick, as Rich was letting her win the race. Flick heads straight to the bar and is greeted by the BARTENDER, 30s.

> BARTENDER Hey Felicity. The usual?

RICH (to Flick) The usual? How many times have you been here?

FLICK

Once. Why?

FLICK (CONT'D)
 (to Bartender)
Two please!

RICH Quite the social butterfly!

FLICK I do alright.

Flick and Rich walk over to the first machine.

FLICK (CONT'D) So here are the rules. Loser pays for drinks.

RICH I can get down with that.

The two shake on it and both start playing against each other. There's a short montage of Rich winning at one game.

FLICK What is going on? Are you cheating?

RICH No ma'am!

FLICK How are you so good?

RICH My ex's and I used to play it all the time.

FLICK

Karen?

RICH

Maybe.

Rich wins again.

RICH (CONT'D) Pay up sucka!

Flick walks over to the bar to grab another round. When her phone rings.

FLICK (to Rich) Just one second. I don't know who this is.

Rich nods that it's alright. He goes to the bar and takes care of the tab. Rich then exits the bar behind Flick.

CUT TO:

EXT. BARCADE - DAY

Flick is dancing all over the place like she just won the lottery.

RICH What are you doing? What happened? What's going on?

FLICK Rich! The video game company just got ahold of me. They want me to come in tomorrow for an interview!

RICH That's great news! Congrats!

Flick gives Rich a big hug.

FLICK Oh my god. I don't know what to do!

Flick starts doing a dance that appears to be choreographed.

RICH

What time?

FLICK

Oh shit!

Flick puts the phone back up to her ear.

FLICK (CONT'D) Yes, sorry this is Felicity. Tomorrow works just fine.

Beat.

FLICK (CONT'D) 2pm? Perfect. See you then. Bye!

Flick hangs up the phone.

FLICK (CONT'D) 2pm sir.

Flick hugs Rich again.

FLICK (CONT'D) I don't know why I'm hugging you so much. Let's go celebrate!

RICH Sounds like a plan. Where do you want to go?

FLICK I want to go shoot your ass dead!

Flick grabs Rich by the hand and pulls him back into the barcade.

FADE TO:

INT. BARCADE - DAY

Rich and Flick are playing all of the games, high fiving, drinking, and being flirtacious. Rich steps up to a single player game, that he and Flick are taking turns on.

FLICK You've got this!

Flick signals for a chest bump to Rich. Rich goes along with it.

FLICK (CONT'D) Finally! Now shoot those bastards!

Flick goes behind Rich and starts giving him a shoulder rub as he's playing the game. Her hands quickly go lower. She pinches his ass and begins to laugh. Flick starts throwing up.

FADE TO:

INT. RICH'S DESK - DAY

Rich is continuing to work on his script through a time lapse from night to day. Rich closes his laptop, stands up, and walks to Flick's room.

CUT TO:

INT. FLICK'S BEDROOM - DAY

There's a knock on her door.

RICH Time to get up!

FLICK

No.

RICH Are you masturbating?

FLICK I guess I could start. Say something dirty.

Rich enters.

RICH Come on. Get up. FLICK What time is it? RICH 1.

FLICK Give me another hour of sleep.

RICH I've tried waking you up 4 times already. Somehow you keep ending up back in bed. You have your interview in an hour.

Flick springs out of bed, tripping up in her blankets, falling to the floor. She stands up and is bleeding on her forehead.

RICH (CONT'D) Holy shit, you're bleeding.

FLICK I don't care. Today is the day!

Flick starts digging through her dresser for clothes. Rich hands her clothes that he's already picked out.

FLICK (CONT'D) Oh Richie. You little sweetheart you.

Flick starts getting changed in front of Rich, who exits quickly as to not see anything.

RICH I'll be outside in the car waiting. Be quick!

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S CAR - DAY

Flick's head is still bleeding. Rich grabs a bundle of napkins from his glove box and hands them to Flick.

RICH Put this on your forehead. EXT. VIDEO GAME COMPANY - DAY

Flick fumbles around in the car. She looks confident. She unbuckles her seat belt.

FLICK

How long are you going to be at the store? This should only take like an hour right? I don't want to stand here like an idiot in these pantyhose.

RICH I'll be waiting here when you're done. Don't worry. Go before you're late.

FLICK Ok but I look good right? I feel like a sausage in these things.

Flick picks at her tights.

RICH You're a smart, sexy looking sausage. Go!

FLICK Pff. Okay. I've got this.

Flick turns and starts marching toward the building.

RICH Uh Flick.

FLICK Yes Rich? FLICK

Well duh!

Beat.

FLICK (CONT'D)

Thanks!

CUT TO:

INT. INTERVIEW ROOM - DAY

Flick sits in her chair fidgeting around. The interviewer TIFFANY, late 30s, walks in. Flick stands up and trips back into her chair. Tiffany is dressed in a sweatshirt and jeans.

FLICK Do I um? Woo. Landed it! Nice to meet you, I'm Felicity.

TIFFANY Hi Felicity, I'm Tiffany. Welcome to Winchester Games.

CUT TO:

INT. GROCERY STORE - DAY

Rich is picking out a cake.

RICH I need it to say "CONGRATS".

CUT TO:

INT. INTERVIEW ROOM - DAY

Flick sits back in the chair and starts fiddling with her skirt, trying to pull it down and cross her legs.

TIFFANY So tell me why you'd be a good fit for Winchester Games? FLICK Well first off, tell me about why I should work here.

CUT TO:

INT. GROCERY STORE - DAY

Rich has the cake in his hands and is now getting some balloons.

CUT TO:

INT. INTERVIEW ROOM - DAY

FLICK Every time I play video games, I'm like. Gah. I can feel it in my veins. You know? One time I was going against this bitch.

Beat.

FLICK (CONT'D) Is it okay that I used the word bitch? Sorry.

CUT TO:

INT. GROCERY STORE - DAY
Rich has the balloons, cake, and is now getting flowers.
CUT TO:
INT. INTERVIEW ROOM - DAY
FLICK
So there I was...

CUT TO:

INT. GROCERY STORE - DAY
Rich is checking out at the cash register.

CUT TO:

FLICK Because of that I never go a day without playing games. What was the question?

TIFFANY I think that's all I need to hear. Thanks for coming in Felicity.

FLICK I'm so sorry. I know I just blew this interview. I'm really a smart and sweet girl that just loves video games. I had this huge video game idea that I wanted to give you guys. I was just so excited to meet you and to just be in this building. Please don't think I'm crazy. Thank you so much for your time.

Flick gets shot in the head with a Nerf bullet.

FLICK (CONT'D) (to shooter) Oh it's on.

Flick, sweating and panting, hops out of her seat, grabs a Nerf gun from the shelf and shoots the employee perfectly between the eyes.

FLICK (CONT'D)
 (to Tiffany)
I'm so sorry. Thanks again.

Flick shakes hands with Tiffany and walks out, awkwardly bumping into a desk knocking things over. Flick reacts quick to pick the things up but only makes it worse. Flick slowly backs up from the mess she's just created, bumping into another table, knocking things over again.

FLICK

Very sorry! I'll see my self out.

Flick backs out of the office slowly, tripping the mail carrier behind her. She pauses, and then makes a quick getaway.

FLICK (to the entire office) Truly sorry!

CUT TO:

EXT. WINCHESTER GAMES - DAY

Flick quickly approaches Rich's car and opens the door. "Congratulations" balloons begin flying out of the car.

> FLICK Are those for me?

RICH Well they <u>were</u>.

Flick sits really quick on the flowers.

FLICK And those?

RICH

Yup!

Flick just leaves them under her.

RICH (CONT'D) I'm guessing it didn't go really well.

FLICK It couldn't have been worse.

Flick points to the cake.

RICH

Yes.

Flick grabs a handful and is hysterical.

FLICK

Who puts that much stuff on a shelf? What kind of questions were those? Can you believe her?

RICH

I'm sure it wasn't that bad. Cheer up. Let's celebrate tonight anyway. I was thinking we could do dinner somewhere tonight.

FLICK

Can't.

RICH Oh, okay. Why not?

FLICK I already have plans.

RICH

With who?

FLICK Someone I met the other day at the store.

RICH Oh. Where are you going?

FLICK Just to The Garden Bar for some apps and drinks. N.B.D. You can come if you want.

RICH Yeah, that sounds great.

Flick's phone goes off. Flick answers.

What?

FLICK

Beat.

FLICK (CONT'D) Ok. Thank you very much. Bye.

Flick just sits there with a blank gaze forward. Cake is falling off of her face. She looks like a crazy person as she slowly turns her head to Rich, now smiling with cake in her teeth.

RICH Who was that?

FLICK Winchester Games! They said I got the job!

RICH I knew you'd get it!

Flick celebrates in the car with cake still on her face as Rich grabs his phone. He texts Karen "Thanks for your help." INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - DAY

Flick and Rich enter the apartment, tossing his keys on the end table.

RICH I have one more surprise for you. It's not that big of a deal but I think you might enjoy it.

FLICK Well what is it? Gimme gimme.

Rich escorts Flick over to his desk. He picks up a large stack of paper and hands it to her.

FLICK (CONT'D) What is this?

RICH It's my new script.

FLICK Oh my god! That's awesome! When did you work on this?

RICH I've been up a lot lately working through the night.

FLICK What is it about?

RICH Something you should be very interested in.

FLICK

ZOMBIES?

RICH Yeah! You could say you got me a little motivated to try something new. It's really rough, but I'd love your feed back. FLICK

I'm going to put this in my purse now, and read it AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I bet your job is glad to hear you have something new!

RICH About that. I actually got let go a few days ago.

FLICK Why didn't you tell me before?

RICH I figured I would just try to sell the script somewhere else. It's no big deal.

FLICK Well shit. Let's go get ready and get some alcohol into your system! Ah! I can't wait to read this.

Flick rushes to the kitchen to grab some shot glasses and a bottle of vodka.

RICH

I can't wait to get your feedback. It might be a little boring though. I did my best to make it "historically accurate" and believable.

FLICK

STOKED!

Flick returns with the alcohol and pours the shots.

FLICK (CONT'D) To your script!

RICH No, to your new job! The two take a quick shot. Without any hesitation Flick pours another.

FADE TO:

INT. THE GARDEN BAR - NIGHT

Rich and Flick arrive at the bar. They are both a little intoxicated. They meet a girl, CHRISTINA late 20s, sitting at a high top near the bar. She waves them over. Rich looks relieved that it's a girl.

> FLICK (to Christina) Christina, this is my brother's roommate, Rich.

Christina is starry eyed as Rich goes in for a handshake.

CHRISTINA

Hello.

RICH

Pleasure.

They sit down and Flick puts her napkin on her lap just like Rich taught her. Flick looks a little bothered by how close Christina is getting to Rich.

> FLICK (to Server) Hi, could I get a Malbec?

Rich just looks on with slow motion shots of Flick laughing with her friend. Rich is clearly starting to fall for her. In almost a record scratch moment a man, KYLE late 20s, leans in and gives Flick a kiss. FLICK (CONT'D) Guys, this is my boyfriend Kyle. Kyle, this is Rich and Christina.

KYLE I've heard so much about you Rich, nice to Finally meet you.

Rich doesn't know what just happened.

RICH Please excuse me for a second.

CUT TO:

INT. THE GARDEN BAR BATHROOM - NIGHT

Rich is looking at himself in the mirror as he splashes water on his face. Christina is seen in the mirror entering the bathroom.

> CHRISTINA Flick has told me a lot about you today as well.

Christina grabs Rich by the crotch and leans in kissing him on the cheek.

CHRISTINA (CONT'D) Just let me know when you want to get out of here.

Christina exits.

BACK TO:

INT. THE GARDEN BAR - NIGHT

Rich sits back at the table as a round of drinks comes out. Rich quickly Finishes his drink.
RICH (to the waiter) Can I get us a couple rounds of shots. Thanks. RICH (CONT'D)

(to Kyle) So Kyle, what do you do?

KYLE I'm a writer. Well, trying to be at least. I'm hoping to sell something soon!

FLICK Yeah, he's working on a new zombie movie.

KYLE Yeah, but like really bad-ass. Something with a lot of explosions and naked chicks.

Christina's foot slides between Rich's legs under the table.

RICH AWESOME! Awesome. Do you live in the area?

KYLE Yeah man, my mom's place is only a few blocks away.

Kyle is a total slob, he has food on his face the entire conversation and unidentifiable stains on his poorly buttoned shirt.

RICH Your mom's place huh?

Flick leans in and hugs on Kyle's arm.

FLICK Yeah, he's in between places just like me.

Rich grabs another shot and slams it down.

RICH That's nice. So how long have you two been together?

Kyle and Flick respond at the same time.

KYLE

Two weeks.

FLICK

Six months.

FLICK (CONT'D) Well, it's been kind of on and off.

KYLE Yeah, we are both busy so it's hard to keep track!

Flick's phone rings, it's Finn.

FLICK Can you excuse me for one second?

Flick exits the bar.

CHRISTINA Yeah, I'm going to go powder my nose. I'll be right back. Christina points at her nose to motion that she is about to do cocaine and exits leaving Rich and Kyle alone at the table.

KYLE Hey, man to man. Can I tell you something? RICH Uh, sure. KYLE So Flick has told me a lot about you. I quess stories from her brother, but you're kind of a legend man. RICH Is that right? KYLE Yeah man, I like your style. You really just get anyone you want. That's how I've been lately.

RICH

What do you mean?

KYLE

I've been sleeping around as much as possible man!

A waitress walks by.

KYLE (CONT'D)
(to waitress)
Hey babe, get us a couple Jager
shots. It's under "Flick". Thanks.

Kyle smacks the waitress on her ass.

RICH What about Flick?

KYLE I doubt she's sleeping around too much.

RICH No, that's not what I meant. I thought she was your "girlfriend".

KYLE

I say that to everyone I'm sleeping with. Honestly, I was late tonight because I was Finishing up with another "girlfriend". Flick is a mess man. I mean could you imagine actually dating her?

RICH

Yeah...

KYLE She's a total loser and pretty disgusting honestly. Ha!

Rich stands up and punches Kyle in the face. Flick and Christina witnessed the fight, but not the conversation.

FLICK You're unbelievable.

RICH

I know.

KYLE What's your problem dude?

KYLE (CONT'D) (to Flick) He just hit me out of nowhere. We were just having a quiet conversation!

FLICK (to Rich) I just got off the phone with my brother. You've been doing all of these nice things to get me out of your life? (MORE) FLICK (CONT'D) Just because some people aren't as completely alone as you doesn't mean they need to be.

RICH No, let me explain.

FLICK

No, that's my boyfriend you just punched. I'm going to take his side over someone who doesn't know how to treat a person. Every time.

FLICK (CONT'D) (to Kyle) Let's go babe.

Flick helps Kyle to his feet and the two begin to leave.

KYLE No. You're both messed up. You only bring drama into my life. That's not cool. This is why I don't want a label. I'll just talk to you when you've cooled down. Bye.

Kyle storms off, ripping his arm out of Flick's grasp.

FLICK (to Kyle) What did I do?

FLICK (CONT'D) (to Rich) How about you get your shit together before you try helping other people.

CHRISTINA (to Flick) Maybe you should just stay at my house tonight. Let's go. The restaurant looks on shocked as Rich starts to get maintain his composure.

CHRISTINA (CONT'D) That was a nice hit! Call me later okay?

Christina hands Rich a piece of paper with her number on it, and winks as she follows Flick and Kyle. Rich exits, leaving the piece of paper on the table.

CUT TO:

EXT. THE GARDEN BAR - NIGHT

Rich exits the restaurant and begins to walk as he sees Flick and Christina getting in a cab and leaving. There is a montage of him walking for what seems forever until he Finally gets to his apartment.

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Rich enters the quiet apartment to see that any belongings of Flick are no longer there. Rich attempts to call her and gets her voice mail.

He notices that Flick's stuff is all gone. He drinks straight from a liquor bottle and chases it with beer. He grabs his phone and calls Flick again. No answer.

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S BEDROOM - DAY

Rich lays in bed surrounded by empty beer bottles he hears the phone ringing from the kitchen, he gets up and rushes to the phone, hoping it's Flick. It's Finn. He answers.

RICH

Hello.

FINN What did you do? FINN Ah, I hate that guy. Thanks! You did us all a favor.

RICH Yeah, but now Flick is gone.

FINN Isn't that what you wanted?

RICH Yes, but not on these terms. I was trying to help her get back on her feet...

FINN You did help her. I spoke to her this morning and apparently her job is going really well. You really boosted her confidence I guess.

RICH That's great news. Where is she staying?

FINN Hell if I know. I'm sure my mom got her a hotel room or something. What made you hit Kyle?

Rich is reluctant to tell Finn the truth as he doesn't want Finn to know that he likes Flick.

RICH

I don't know. I guess he was just annoying me a bit too much.

FINN Well cheers to you brotha, you did us all a favor. Now go bang a broad and get back to your life. I'll see you in a couple days.

RICH Yeah, see you soon. FINN

I love you too sweetheart, bye!

Rich hangs up the phone and grabs a beer from the fridge. He calls Karen.

RICH Hey, are you busy?

Beat.

RICH (CONT'D) Yeah, I can meet you there for coffee. I'll see you in 10 minutes.

Rich rushes to get ready to head out for coffee.

FADE TO:

EXT. COFFEE SHOP - DAY

Rich and Karen are outside drinking coffee together.

RICH I've been thinking about you a lot lately.

KAREN Is that right?

RICH Yeah. I miss us.

KAREN I miss us too Rich.

CUT TO:

INT. WINCHESTER GAMES - DAY

Flick walks into the break room for lunch. We see BRAD, late 20s, playing an arcade game.

BRAD Hey! Felicity right? FLICK Yeah, people call me Flick though.

Brad looks back at his game and continues to play.

BRAD Well FLICK, how's your first week going? FLICK It's going really well. Everyone is so pleasant and inviting. BRAD It's a really chill place, welcome! FLICK Thanks! BRAD No problem. You should get on some of these games. This place is usually packed. FLICK Oh yeah? I can just play? BRAD Of course! You're on your break! FLICK I haven't eaten yet. I don't really know where to get food. BRAD Let me just finish this up then we can go grab some food. Okay?

FLICK Sounds good to me.

Flick gets up and walks over to the game that Brad is playing. It's titled "Edgar's Ice Cream".

FLICK (CONT'D)
I've played this before!

BRAD I'd hope so. This is the game that got our company started.

FLICK

Really?

BRAD

Yeah. Mr. Winchester, sorry <u>Michael</u>, created this game back in the 80s. It's really the only reason we are a company today.

FLICK

Oh wow.

BRAD

Yeah, don't let anyone know you just learned that.

FLICK

I won't, thanks.

BRAD Is something wrong? You sound a bit concerned.

FLICK

My old roommate said he used to play his game with his ex, Karen.

BRAD Karen? I wonder if that's Michael's daughter. Is that who got you the job here?

Flick is speechless at this new revelation.

BRAD (CONT'D) Flick? You with me?

FLICK Sorry, yeah it was my roommate Rich.

BRAD Rich Myers? FLICK

Yes...

BRAD He's a good dude! Really went out on a limb to get you a job here.

FLICK

He did?

BRAD

Yeah, him and Karen haven't spoke in months. Getting you hired here was the first thing they talked about. It was a big deal around the office.

FLICK I'm learning so much today.

BRAD I hope you thanked him well!

Brad waits for an answer to see that Flick has already left.

BRAD What the hell?

CUT TO:

EXT. PARK - DAY

Rich and Karen are walking around to the park where he and Flick had been before. Rich points out a couple.

RICH What do you think they are saying?

KAREN I don't know. I think that's a bit private.

RICH Just humor me.

KAREN I don't know Rich. They are probably just talking about what to do later.

RICH They are probably talking dirty to each other.

The woman holds her hands up as fists, as if she's going to drop something into his hands, hits her hands together, then pulls her fists away.

> RICH (to the strangers) I saw you two smash your penises together.

KAREN You're an idiot.

RICH Haha. Why?

KAREN They are deaf. She's breaking up with him in sign language.

RICH I think they saw me. Let's get out of here.

The two begin walking, coming up to the barcade.

RICH (CONT'D) Hey, want to go in here?

KAREN No thanks.

RICH They have "Edgar's Ice Cream".

KAREN I hate that game. Let's go somewhere else. RICH Okay, we could go to The Garden Bar?

KAREN Let's just go in here.

They enter a fancy bar.

KAREN (CONT'D) (to bartender) Let me get a vodka soda.

RICH (to bartender) Malbec please.

Karen grabs her drink and heads away, leaving Rich to pay. Rich follows and sits with her. Karen is talking, but Rich isn't paying attention. He's just looking at his Malbec, twisting it around in the glass.

KAREN

And no one survived the crash. How insane is that.

Rich snaps out of it.

RICH That's awesome. Congratulations.

KAREN Congratulations? Are you even listening to me?

RICH I'm sorry, I drifted off for a second. Rich extends his hand and holds hers. It's comforting. They both smile.

KAREN What is going on with you?

RICH Did you know that a zombie can live for almost 6 months without food?

KAREN

Excuse me?

RICH I started writing again, and reading about a lot of new things.

KAREN Like zombies?

RICH Yeah. It's a pretty entertaining topic.

KAREN I guess. I need to use the bathroom real quick, I'll be right back.

Karen kisses Rich on the forehead and exits. Rich checks his phone. No messages. He opens his phone and goes to his messages from "Felicity". Nothing new, and no response from when she last read his texts.

CUT TO:

INT. WINCHESTER GAMES - DAY

Flick is at her desk digging through her purse and sees Rich's script sitting in there still. She opens it up and begins to read. Brad walks into her workspace.

> BRAD Are you ready to go?

FLICK Hey Brad, I'm sorry I just realized I have to read through this for a friend. I completely forgot about it.

BRAD Okay. Did you want me to bring anything back?

FLICK Thank you, I'll be fine. Sorry! Real quick, who do I speak with if I have an idea I'd like to pitch?

BRAD Speak to Tiffany. She's the one that interviewed you.

FLICK

Thanks.

BRAD She should be in her office now. I'd be quick before she heads out for lunch.

FLICK Thanks again!

Flick grabs the script and heads to Tiffany's office.

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - DAY

Finn enters the apartment and throws his bags down and runs to Rich and gives him a big uncomfortable hug.

FINN Hey mister! You look tired.

RICH Great to see you too man. How was the business trip.

FINN We can quit playing. You know I didn't do any work. (MORE) FINN (CONT'D) It was great though, it was a nice break from Los Angeles (in an English accent).

RICH I figured. Well it's good to have you back.

Finn notices the beer bottles all over the coffee table.

FINN Looks like sis did a pretty good number on you.

RICH What do you mean?

FINN The apartment. There's beer bottles all over the place!

RICH Oh, right. Those are mine actually. Do you know how her job is going?

FINN

Yeah, she called me yesterday. Looks like she's going to be living out here for good! We are doing a little get together party tonight if you'd like to join.

RICH I'd love to but I have some things to take catch up on.

INT. THE GARDEN BAR - NIGHT

Flick is sitting at the bar as Finn shows up.

FLICK Where's Rich?

FINN I tried to get him to come out, but he was absolutely not interested in coming out. FLICK Damn it Finn! I told you he needed to be here.

FINN What could possibly be that important?

FLICK I did something... I'm not sure how he's going to feel about it.

FINN Just text him.

FLICK I can't. This is a little too important for that.

CUT TO:

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

Rich is at dinner with Karen, they are halfway through their meal.

RICH (to waiter) Can we get dessert?

WAITER Certainly! What can I get for you?

RICH I would like the Dark Chocolate Raspberry Cheesecake, and she wil have -

KAREN I've got this.

RICH

Sorry.

KAREN (to waiter) I will have the Toasted Hazelnut Gelato.

WAITER Could I get you guys anything else to drink? RICH Yes, could we each have another?

KAREN (to waiter) We are fine. Thanks!

RICH Is something wrong?

KAREN I don't know why you're trying to order for me.

RICH I was just trying to be nice.

KAREN I'm a grown woman. I can handle myself.

RICH

Got it.

CUT TO:

INT. RICH'S APARTMENT - DAY

Rich stumbles out of his room and to the fridge. He grabs a gallon of milk and goes to drink out of it. He stops himself, grabs a glass and pours himself a drink. Finn enters.

FINN You missed out on a great night man! There were a lot of pretty ladies out.

RICH Sorry I missed it. I've been seeing Karen again anyway. We went and grabbed a bite to eat.

FINN You're seeing her again? Like more than once? Like, Karen that made you into such an awful person, Karen? RICH

Yeah...

FINN What's gotten into you?

Beat.

FINN (CONT'D) Holy shit. You like my sister.

RICH What? No. I don't.

FINN

Yeah man, that's what this whole fight is about. You were upset she was dating Kyle when you were doing all of these nice things for her. Then you fell for her.

RICH That's not it.

FINN Shh shh. The last time you dated someone was when you tried getting over what's her nuts.

RICH

Karen.

FINN No that's not it.

RICH

Karen.

FINN

Karen. Yeah. You're dating Karen to get over Flick. That's gross man. That's my sister.

RICH

Please stop.

FINN

I was just messing with you man. You should totally go after my sister! RICH It's a little complicated. We haven't spoke in weeks and she's with Kyle.

FINN Her and Kyle broke up man. She said he wasn't serious about her. I guess he was cheating on her with that Christina chick.

RICH I don't think she wants to talk to me. I kind of blew it.

FINN Look, you've already made it through the Flick and Finn-

RICH

Clever.

FINN

I know.

Rich's phone rings.

RICH

Hello?

Beat.

RICH (CONT'D) You want to buy my script? Yeah, I'll come right down.

FINN What was that all about?

RICH Winchester Games wants to buy my script.

FINN

Yeah...

Rich stands there puzzled.

RICH Yeah, but I haven't shown anyone that script.

Beat.

RICH (CONT'D) Except your sister.

FINN Yeah... Looks like someone wants to talk to you.

RICH Yeah. I think I need to go.

FINN Yes. You need to go sell your script.

RICH I need to go get your sister.

FINN That's what I meant. Go get her man!

Karen enters from the bedroom.

KAREN Is Flick... Felicity? Is that who I helped you get a job for?

FINN

Shit.

RICH Look, I was just helping a friend out.

KAREN Rich. Stop. I was wondering what's gotten into you lately. You look at life with this new wonderment. You're not yourself. You're happy. (MORE) Rich doesn't know what to say.

KAREN (CONT'D) I really missed out on something great, but I was never the right woman. I guess we were just going through the motions. I'm happy for you. Go get her.

RICH I'm so sorry.

Rich runs out of his apartment.

FINN

Sup?

CUT TO:

INT. WINCHESTER GAMES - DAY

Rich enters the building carrying a grocery bag and heads straight to the customer service desk. He's greeted by an employee.

EMPLOYEE Can I help you?

RICH Yeah, where's Flick?

EMPLOYEE

Who?

RICH Felicity Carson. EMPLOYEE Oh, she's at her desk. Let me call over. What did you say your name was?

RICH Rich. Rich Myers.

EMPLOYEE Rich Myers? We loved your script!

RICH

Thanks.

EMPLOYEE Actually, Tiffany will be the one meeting up with you -

Tiffany enters.

TIFFANY Richard Myers?

RICH Rich. Is Felicity around?

TIFFANY She is, but let's get this meeting taken care of first. I have a pretty busy schedule today.

RICH Right. Let's talk.

CUT TO:

INT. TIFFANY'S OFFICE - DAY

Both Rich and Tiffany are sitting across from each other at her desk.

TIFFANY We loved your script. It was a very enthusiastic and dark adventure. What was the name you used?

RICH

Sav-

TIFFANY Saving Barbara, right. You're a really great writer.

RICH

Thank you.

Rich continues to look around out of Tiffany's door for Flick while still in his seat.

TIFFANY

We've been looking for new content for some time. When Felicity handed me this script, I couldn't put it down until I was done. We called in a early meeting to go over it with the rest of the heads here.

RICH

I'm really glad to hear it. I'm so used to writing non-fiction. It was a breath of fresh air.

TIFFANY

Everyone here agreed that it's a total hit at Winchester Games. As I'm sure Felicity has told you.

RICH

Thanks again. What's the next step?

TIFFANY

Well we would like to adapt this into a new game for next year's launch. This is what we are willing to offer you.

Tiffany slides a piece of paper to Rich.

RICH This is a great deal. I can assume Fli- Felicity will be getting a finder's fee as well? TIFFANY Nope. She refused compensation from it.

RICH If I sell this script, I would like to work directly with Felicity on character development. She's a very talented artist.

TIFFANY I'm sure we can work something out.

Tiffany smiles and holds out her hand. The two shake.

RICH Where is Felicity?

TIFFANY She is just down the hall there to the left.

Rich grabs his grocery bag and bumps into Tiffany's desk, catching anything before it falls.

CUT TO:

INT. FLICK'S DESK - DAY

Rich gets to her cubicle to see Brad and Flick laughing.

RICH Hi. FLICK Hi. BRAD Hi. RICH (to Brad) Hi?

There's an awkward silence.

FLICK Sorry, this is Brad. Brad this is Rich.

RICH Nice to meet you.

BRAD Rich Myers? Great to meet you! I hope your meeting went well.

RICH Can I have a moment with Flick?

Brad looks at Flick for the okay. She nods.

RICH (CONT'D)

Look -

FLICK

No. I am so sorry. I shouldn't have run off. I don't know what I was thinking. No one has ever been so great to me. It scared me. In a good way.

RICH

I –

FLICK

I'm not done. I can't believe you went out of your way to do this for me. I hope you aren't mad at me for leaving... or for giving them your script. I just felt so terrible.

Rich grabs Flick and kisses her.

FLICK (CONT'D) This is just the nicest thing anyone has ever done for me.

RICH Second nicest.

FLICK What do you mean?

Rich gets down on one knee with his grocery bag. Rich pulls out a gallon of milk out from behind him.

RICH I finally picked up that milk you wanted.

Rich taps his chest twice for a chest bump from Flick. They smile and kiss.

FADE TO BLACK.