Day Dreamer

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INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

JUDY is sitting in her desk in a classroom. She is kind of a dork, who has long ratty hair which she wears down. She is wearing no make-up and her skin is pale. She is wearing baggy jeans and a shirt. Everyone is chatting all around her but they quiet down when the teacher enters the room.

TEACHER

Good morning, class.

CLASS

(mumbles together)

Good morning.

The students open their notebooks and copy the teacher's notes from the board. The teacher begins to explain a physics problem.

TEACHER

Now class lets find the slope of this angle. Does anyone remember how to find the slope of an angle?

Judy immediately crouches down in her chair and looks like she is doing something else to avoid being called on. The teacher looks around the room and stares at the boy sitting next to Judy.

TEACHER

David, would you please come up to the board and show the class how to find the slope.

DAVID

I don't know the answer ma'am but maybe my friend Judy here can help me out.

Class giggles and Judy looks up in surprise and shakes her head at

the teacher.

TEACHER

Very funny David. Well I guess we will have to take some more notes on slope today. Before we do please take out your homework from last night.

Everyone takes out their notebooks and opens them to their homework assignment. The teacher goes back to the board and starts talking about the slope problem. The whole class just gazes ahead as the teacher rambles on.

Judy looks around the room at all the bored faces of her classmates. Her attention focuses mainly on one boy, who sits diagonally behind her. She stares longingly at this boy, who is very good looking but makes sure that nobody catches her staring. She then stares off into space with a hint of a smile on her face. She drifts off into a daydream.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. PERKS - NIGHT

Judy is now standing in line at the counter next to ALEX. Judy is wearing black pants with a nice sweater and her hair is down and straight. Alex is wearing khaki pants with a nice jersey on. His hair is jelled up and he is pulling out his wallet.

ALEX

I'm really glad we decided to come here. I've been wanting to bring you here for a while but I assumed you wouldn't come with me.

Judy stares up into his eyes and is acting all composed and cute. He offers to pay for her food and she is extremely thankful.

JUDY

No, you don't have to pay for my food. Really, I want to please, you drove us here, come on please let me pay for my own.

ALEX

(smiling)

Nope, I can't do that. This is my date, I'm just glad you're here with me.

JUDY

(smiling)

Well thank you very much, you're a real gentleman.

He takes the money out of his wallet and pays for two orders.

ALEX

Do you want anything to drink? I think I'll get something. Do you want some coffee or hot chocolate?

JUDY

Hmmmmm. I've been wanting to try this coffee but I'm not sure I'll like it.

ALEX

Well we could order one to share, and if you don't like it, I'll drink it!

JUDY

(smiling)

That's a great idea. But I want to split the cost because you paid for my food, okay? You better let me. I won't take no for an answer!

ALEX

(laughing)

Okay. I wanted to pay for it but if it'll make you feel better than I guess it's alright.

JUDY

Thank you very much. (laughing)

They spot a couch in the corner. They have some short conversations about school and friends as they sit down.

ALEX

Did you see Holly today? She was trying to act like you in math. You're just the girl everyone wants to date. That's why I was so nervous asking you. I heard all the girls are jealous and that's why Holly was acting like that.

He looks at her and laughs nervously.

JUDY

I know, I saw Holly today, I don't care though. I'm just glad you asked me on this date tonight.

ALEX

(smiling)

Me too.

They both smile at each other and take a bite of their food. As they are eating, Alex tickles her and plays cutesies with her. Then he holds her hand and they look at each other for a moment. They lean in to kiss, but then she hears Alex's voice and fades back to the classroom.

CUT TO:

INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

Judy looks up out of her gaze and Alex is standing there in front of her. She shakes her head to clear up the previous day dream about Alex.

ALEX

Judy...Judy...can you move please. I'm trying to go up to the board to do a problem and you're in my way.

Alex is looking down on her with a grin on his face wondering why she hasn't moved yet. Judy stares up at him.

JUDY

I'm so sorry...I...I...

ALEX

(laughing)

I...I...what? So can you move
already?

Alex laughs in her face and the rest of the class is laughing as well.

JUDY

I'm so sorry, I didn't know you were going up to the...

The teacher interrupts.

TEACHER

Can you please just come to the board already, and Judy please get back in your seat and try to pay attention.

The class stops laughing and Alex proceeds to the board. Judy sits back in her seat with her head looking down because she is embarrassed.

Alex goes to the board and begins the physics problem. Judy looks up at LEXI, who is sitting in the seat in front of her. Lexi has long, blonde hair that is perfectly placed and is wearing a nice blouse, tight jeans, and tall boots. She is putting on make-up.

LEXI

I need to go to the mall after school. This lip gloss is almost out and I can't bear to live without it.

Lexi is talking to her friend, TORI. Tori nods in agreement.

TORI

Yeah, I know what you mean! Let's hit the mall right from school. You want to drive?

LEXI

Sure, meet me at my locker after last period.

TORI

Okay.

Judy watches the girls talk back and forth to each other. She then drifts off into her second daydream.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. LEXI'S BEDROOM - DAY

Judy and Lexi are now in Lexi's bedroom. Judy comes out of the bathroom wearing a flaring top and tight bell-bottom jeans.

T.EXT

Oh my god, Judy, like what do you think of this outfit for the party tonight? Or do you like this shirt better?

Then she holds up another peasant shirt. Judy comes out of her bedroom with a black mini skirt and a tight tank top on and a nice jacket over it. She looks at Lexi who looks perfect.

JUDY

Lexi, That looks so perfect! Oh my god, you look like so gorgeous in that kickin' outfit!

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JUDY (cont'd)

All the guys will be all over you tonight. She laughs.

LEXI

No way Judy that outfit is so cute. We're going to be the two best looking people at the party tonight. Then again you are dating like the cutest guy ever...Alex!

They both giggle. They walk over to the full-length mirror and turn in circles like models.

LEXI

Hey, Judy. Did I ever tell you how fun it is being your best friend? You're so pretty and popular, you make me jealous sometimes!

JUDY

(laughs)

Thanks, Lexi but we're both gorgeous!

They look in the mirror again and laugh hysterically.

LEXI

Wait, Judy...this top would look so good on you! Why don't you try it on? Here you go!

Lexi holds out the shirt.

LEXI

Here you go...here you go!

CUT TO:

INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

Judy's daydream ends and she is back in the classroom. She looks up and sees Lexi in front of her holding out a paper.

LEXI

Here you go, Judy! Would you take the paper already?

JUDY

Oh, I'm so sorry! I didn't realize you were talking to me, sorry.

T.FXT

Yeah well you should have been paying attention.

Lexi turns back around in her seat and applies more lip gloss. She then turns to Tori, who sits in the seat next to her. Tori is very tall and slender. She has her short hair pulled back neatly into a ponytail, and she is wearing the school team's basketball jersey with mesh shorts.

LEXI

Oh my god Tori. I totally forget. Like what time is your basketball game tonight?

TORI

It starts at seven and you all better come! It's a big game and I'm starting forward!

LEXI

Well I'll definitely be there! So like what happens if you win tonight? Do you guys like go to the champs?

TORT

We go on to the finals against Winchester High. If we win that game, we get another trophy and our team picture on the cover of Sports Today magazine.

LEXI

Wow! I wish I could like play basketball.

Judy watches the two girls speak, then stares off into space and her next daydream begins.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. BASKETBALL COURT - DAY

The two teams are each in a huddle. A buzzer sounds and five girls from each team run onto the court and get into position.

Tori, wearing the school's red and blue jersey with blue shorts, is out of bounds. The REFEREE hands her the ball. Judy passes the ball to Tori. She has a look of determination on her face, which is sweaty from running.

The clock shows that twenty-four seconds remain in the game. Judy's team is down by one point.

JUDY

(yelling)

Run, Tori, run! Go to the hoop!

Tori runs toward the hoop, dribbling the ball, but comes to an opponent who is trying to steal the ball. She is stuck in this position, and looks around frantically.

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I'm open, Tori, I'm open! The COACH crouches down on the sidelines.

Tori bounces the ball to Judy, who accepts it and runs a few feet. She is then stopped by an opponent.

COACH

Go ahead, Judy. Shoot!

Judy looks at her coach, then glances at the clock which reads three seconds. She bends her knees and throws the ball up towards the basket.

All the girls on the bench stand up and their eyes watch the ball sail through the air.

The ball goes into the net, and the entire team rushes towards her and lifts her into the air. The fans are all cheering from the bleachers.

COACH

I knew you could do it, Judy! I knew you could do it! We're going to the finals!

Judy is placed back on the ground. She has a huge smile on her face, until suddenly, out of nowhere, a ball comes flying at her head.

CUT TO:

INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

Judy is back in the classroom. She looks down at the spitball which just hit her in the head.

The whole classroom is watching her and they begin to laugh.

LEXI

Eww! There's spit in her hair! The students laugh harder.

TEACHER

Who made that spitball?

She looks at two boys from the back of the classroom, who are falling out of their desks laughing. One is holding a straw.

TEACHER

Boys, that is not appropriate for this classroom. You are distracting others from my lesson. Now everyone turn around and finish taking these notes.

Judy takes a tissue out of her pocketbook and attempts to clean her hair.

TEACHER

Judy, that means you too. Please pay attention.

Judy looks up at the teacher who is standing in front of the classroom.

TEACHER

Now class I'm going to change the subject for a minute. Next Friday will be the annual science fair. You are each to complete a project due by then and we will then have a competition. The winner will receive a special prize so I suggest that you all try very hard.

The class begins to show interest as they focus their attention to the front of the room.

ALEX

What's our prize going to be? No homework for the rest of the year? Or a car?

The class snickers.

TEACHER

Very funny Alex, but I recommend that you try your hardest on this project anyway.

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TEACHER (cont'd)

I have not been impressed with this class' grades lately and I hope to find at least one person who can excel at this.

Judy looks down at her notebook. She writes down the final solution from the board then puts down her pencil.

She fades off into her fourth day dream.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. SCHOOL AUDITORIUM - DAY

The whole school is sitting in the auditorium seats watching the Teacher up on the stage. She is talking into a microphone behind a podium.

TEACHER

Good afternoon students, as you all know by now we are here today to announce the winner of the annual science fair.

The students whisper among themselves.

TEACHER

It was a very competitive fair but one student did exceptionally well. This student has also shown excellent effort and performance in the classroom. She is brilliant in every way and we are sure she will get accepted to Princeton University. We are proud to give this lucky student this award. Now with great pleasure, we present this award to Judy Smith. Come up and receive your award, Judy.

The whole auditorium applauds as Judy walks down the aisle and climbs the stairs toward the podium.

Judy takes the trophy from her teacher and goes to the microphone and begins her acceptance speech.

JUDY

Thank you so much for this honor.
I never would've guessed that this award would be mine. I would like to thank everyone who has helped me become the student I am today.

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JUDY (cont'd)

Thank you Mom, Dad, all my friends, I love you guys! To my boyfriend Alex, thanks for always being there, you're the best! Also I would like to thank the best physics teacher in the world for teaching me everything I know today.

The students in the audience clap again loudly.

The teacher wheels out a blackboard with a difficult physics problem on it.

TEACHER

Now, Judy, since you know how to do practically every physics problem, could you please come to this board and show us how to do this problem? Can you please do number five on the board?

Judy smiles with confidence as she walks over to the board.

CUT TO:

INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

Judy is now back in the classroom sitting in her seat. Everyone is turned around looking at her. The teacher walks over to Judy's desk and gets in her face.

TEACHER

Judy do I have to ask you again! Now can you please put number five up on the board!

Judy comes out of her daze and blushes as the whole class starts to laugh and make fun of her.

JUDY

Oh, I'm so sorry!

Judy looks down at her notebook which has her homework in it. She realizes that she has only half done from the worksheet.

JUDY

I didn't have time to finish my homework and I don't understand what we are doing or how to do that problem.

The teacher gives Judy a look and turns to the class and makes an

announcement.

TEACHER

Well class, here is a perfect example of a student who obviously doesn't care about her studies.

Judy turns red and slums down in her chair. The teacher continues to talk.

TEACHER

Well Judy you have to learn sometime so please go up to the board and at least try to do it.

Judy has a nervous look on her face and is nodding at the teacher, while the class snickers at her. When she walks to the front of the room everyone turned around and was looking up at her laughing under their breath.

Right as Judy reaches the board and picks up a piece of chalk, the lunch bell rings. All the students jump out of their seats, grab their lunches, and run out the door, talking amongst themselves.

Judy remains in the classroom, staring at the empty board. She has a disappointed look on her face.