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FADE IN:

INT. RILEY'S BEDROOM

A well-dressed senior, finishes putting on her lipstick in a mirror. Her outfit is so well coordinated that she looks like she may be ready for a fashion shoot. This is RILEY.

Her phone is on the dresser facing up with the name BAILEY on it.

RILEY

(to Bailey)

Almost done.

Riley begins fixing her hair.

BAILEY

(through phone)

Riley, are you really doing this today?

RILEY

Yup. We have class in exactly 90 seconds and it will be just the two of us in our group. Perfect time. How about you? Any luck with Damon?

BAILEY

(through phone)

Oh, I don't know.

RILEY

Don't say 'I don't know'. You either know or not. Be more assertive.

BAILEY

(through phone)

Yeah, I quess, but...

Riley looks at the phone.

RILEY

Oh, shoot! I gotta run! It's go time!

Riley shuts off her phone. She moves over to her desk and opens up her Chromebook. She immediately hits the JOIN button for her History Google Meet.

With a few beeps, she is in the class.

INT. HISTORY GOOGLE MEET

The different heads of Riley's classmates pop up one by one and fill up the screen. In one square is MR. BALKUS.

MR. BALKUS

Welcome everybody. I hope you guys are enjoying your remote day. All right, lets get started right away here. We will be in the same pairs as yesterday, like I said, just a couple of minutes to finish up the last question from yesterday. Let's get to it!

INT. HISTORY GOOGLE MEET/BREAKOUT ROOM

We hear a few more beeps as Riley is brought into a breakout room with a senior boy. He is a typical Lax Bro complete with a dazed look. He looks as if he just rolled out of bed. This is CHRIS.

RILEY

Hi, Chris.

CHRIS

Hi, Riley. Wow. You look nice. I feel so under-dressed.

RILEY

(fake laughs)

Oh, I know. I just wanted to look good for...

Riley's image pauses mid-sentence, then chugs back to life.

CHRIS

What was that? Lost you there.

RILEY

Oh, I said that I wanted to look good for today's meeting that's all.

CHRIS

What meeting?

RILEY

This one.

CHRIS

This is a meeting? I thought we were just answering a question.

RILEY

Right. Well, I have a question for you. I would like to know if you would like to go to Prom with me?

Silence.

CHRIS

What? Did you just ask me to prom. You cut out there.

RILEY

(slightly rattled)

Yes. I did.

CHRIS

Well...I gotta say...

Chris's image comes to a complete standstill. Stuck in mid-word.

Riley looks anxious...she looks around...back at the computer, which is still stuck. Suddenly, Chris comes back to life in mid-sentence.

CHRIS (CONT'D)

...and so that needs to be dealt with too. Which is funny because...

RILEY

(cuts him off)

Wait. Sorry. What did you say?

CHRIS

Oh, I was talking about my shoes.

RILEY

No, no. You got cut off. I never heard what...

Just then we hear a BEEP and Mr. Balkus joins the Breakout room.

MR. BALKUS

How are we folks doing in this group?

Riley composes herself.

RILEY

Fine. We're good, Mr. Balkus. Really.

MR. BALKUS

Great! See ya!

With that Mr. Balkus pops out.

Awkward silence for a beat.

Riley gives a nervous laugh.

RILEY

So...like, I said. I didn't hear what you said about the Prom. Did you say yes or no?

CHRIS

Oh. My bad. I said...

Again, Chris's image is stuck mid-sentence.

Riley hits the MUTE button and screams!

RILEY

Oh my god. I hate my life! What is going on?

Right on cue, Chris comes back in.

CHRIS

...which must be insane when you think about it. Don't ya think?

RILEY

What? You cut off again. I couldn't hear anything. Just, yes or no. Will you go to Prom with me?

CHRIS

Sorry. What? You look upset, but your microphone is off.

Riley gives a scream of frustration.

She unmutes herself.

RILEY

Can you hear me?

CHRIS

Yes.

RILEY

Good. I said...

CHRIS

Nope. You're frozen again.

Riley gives another scream. She then starts typing on the comments.

INSERT COMMENT:

YES OR NO!!! Will you go to Prom with me?

BACK TO SCENE

She is about to hit return but hesitates and looks at the comment again. She calms down a bit.

INSERT COMMENT

She deletes the "YES OR NO!!!" She replaces it with "I didn't hear your answer."

BACK TO SCENE

Satisfied, she is about to hit enter when...

Another BEEP and Mr. Balkus is back in.

MR. BALKUS

All right, I think everyone had enough time to go over that last question. We're heading back into class.

Another beep, and we're back to the full class of the Google Meet.

Riley looks up at Chris's face, who looks like nothing whatsoever has just transpired.

Riley's phone buzzes with a text from Bailey.

INSERT BAILEY'S TEXT:

what did he say?????

Riley looks totally stunned.

RILEY'S REPLY:

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FADE OUT.