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INT. THE SCIENCE LAB

HOWIE IS WORKING ON A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT WHEN DANNY ENTERS. (NOTE: DANNY AND HOWIE ARE KIND OF NERDY.)

DANNY
Hey, Howie! How's it going?

HOWIE
Danny, I haven't seen you in a while.

DANNY
Well, my girlfriend has been keeping me busy.

HOWIE
(Shocked) Girlfriend? You're kidding right?

DANNY
No, I'm dating Stacey Scott.

HOWIE STARTS LAUGHING HYSTERICALLY.

HOWIE
Stacey Scott? The homecoming queen? That's a good one.

DANNY
I am dating her. (Taking out his wallet) See, this is me and Stacey at the fall dance.

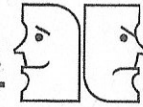
HOWIE
(Looking at the picture) This is good. Did you make this on your computer?

DANNY
(Starting to get angry) No! This is real.

HOWIE STOPS LAUGHING.

HOWIE
Wow! How did you do it?

DANNY
Well, I asked her out and she said yes.



HOWIE
Not that. I mean how did you do it?

DANNY
Do what?

HOWIE
Transform yourself from a huge nerd to the BMOC.

DANNY
BMOC?

HOWIE
Big man on campus.

DANNY
I was never a nerd!

HOWIE
Oh, come on! You're like me. We're nerds, geeks, wimps. Don't look so surprised. You know it's true.

DANNY
I had no idea you thought of me that way.

HOWIE
Everybody thinks of you that way. Heck everybody thinks of me that way.

DANNY
(Insulted) Thanks a lot.

HOWIE
But look at you now. You're cool. Hip. You're the man. How did you do it?

DANNY
I didn't do anything.

HOWIE
Come on.

DANNY
(Whispering) All right. All right. I wasn't going to tell anybody but you're my friend so...

HOWIE
Tell me!

DANNY
Well, Howie you know me and you are scientists. Kind of. I mean someday we will be.

HOWIE
Right.



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DANNY

So as a scientist, I looked at the facts. And the facts said, I was a loser.

HOWIE

I wouldn't be that harsh.

DANNY

It's true. When it came to getting a girlfriend, I didn't have a chance in...well you know what. So I started studying girls. Like any good scientist, I wanted to learn about their behavior, their likes and dislikes. And after a couple of months of this, I came up with a plan.

HOWIE

Oh, this is good.

DANNY

You see, the girls I studied all had one thing in common. They liked guys who listened to them.

HOWIE

That's it?

DANNY

No, I mean really listened. You know, cared about what they thought. In my experiments, I learned that most guys go on dates and talk only about themselves. Girls hate that.

HOWIE

Makes sense.

DANNY

So I walked up to Stacey and asked her how she was doing. Well, she looked at me kind of funny and started to walk off. I just stood there. She got half way down the hall and then looked back. She saw me standing there waiting for her answer. So she walked back. And said, "You really want to know?" I said, "Yes." And she told me. It had been a bad day for her. Big test. She hurt her ankle in cheer-leading practice. Her mother got arrested for shoplifting. Anyway, I just stood there and listened. Didn't say a word. Didn't offer advice, try to change the subject, no, I just listened. We've been dating ever since.

HOWIE

(Starting to cry) That's the most moving story I've ever heard.

DANNY

Yeah, well, it worked for me. So Howie now it's your turn. Find the girl of your dreams. Walk up to her and—LISTEN.