

# 30. The Flower Delivery

CAST: (3F) CHRISTY, MELANIE, SHELBY

PROPS: Tissues.

1 CHRISTY: So here's the plan. I barge into fourth period to bring  
2 you a flower delivery.  
3 MELANIE: Which Jeff undoubtedly sees.  
4 SHELBY: Oh, he'll be so jealous. And don't forget to act  
5 surprised.  
6 MELANIE: Oh, don't worry. I've been practicing that. How's  
7 this? *(Acting surprised)*  
8 SHELBY: And why don't you say something like, "Oh, he's so  
9 sweet to do this!"  
10 CHRISTY: Yeah, then dab your eyes with a tissue as if it's made  
11 you cry.  
12 MELANIE: That's a good idea.  
13 SHELBY: And keep the bouquet in the center of your desk so  
14 Jeff has to look at it the entire time.  
15 CHRISTY: And keep smiling at the flowers as though you are in  
16 love.  
17 MELANIE: Oh, I can't wait to see his face!  
18 SHELBY: And he'll never know the real story behind the  
19 flowers.  
20 CHRISTY: The set up.  
21 SHELBY: The lie.  
22 MELANIE: I sent them to myself.  
23 SHELBY: We sure are lucky that Christy works in the office and  
24 can deliver them.  
25 CHRISTY: The flowers are hidden in the broom closet.

1 MELANIE: Did you remember the note?  
2 CHRISTY: Yep. And I drew a huge red heart on the outside of  
3 the envelope. Just so Jeff doesn't think you're getting  
4 flowers 'cause someone died or something.  
5 MELANIE: Good idea. But what if he leans over and asks me  
6 who they're from?  
7 SHELBY: Just say, "Someone."  
8 CHRISTY: And be mysterious about it.  
9 SHELBY: Or you could say, "Excuse me, Jeff, but you broke up  
10 with me, remember? So I don't see how it's any of your  
11 business."  
12 MELANIE: Yeah, that's good. But what if ...  
13 CHRISTY: What?  
14 MELANIE: What if he sees my flower delivery and he shrugs as  
15 if, "So ..."  
16 SHELBY: Oh no, he'll be jealous! There's no way he can't be!  
17 The two of you went out for almost three months!  
18 MELANIE: And he's moved on.  
19 CHRISTY: And so have you. Well, at least that's what he'll think.  
20 MELANIE: I still don't understand how he could dump me for  
21 Clarissa.  
22 SHELBY: His mistake.  
23 CHRISTY: His loss.  
24 SHELBY: He'll be sorry.  
25 CHRISTY: And jealous!  
26 MELANIE: And maybe he'll want me back.  
27 CHRISTY: Of course he will!  
28 SHELBY: He'll beg to have you back by the end of the day.  
29 MELANIE: But the question is, do I want him back?  
30 CHRISTY: That's what all this is about, isn't it?  
31 MELANIE: But maybe I don't want him back.  
32 CHRISTY: That's fine. At least Jeff will know you've moved on.  
33 SHELBY: And you're happy.  
34 CHRISTY: And you have the most romantic new boyfriend  
35 ever! A boyfriend who sends you a huge flower delivery

1           during fourth period!

2 MELANIE: But I don't have a new boyfriend!

3 CHRISTY: And who knows this?

4 SHELBY: Just the three of us.

5 MELANIE: So what's my new boyfriend's name?

6 CHRISTY: Does it matter?

7 SHELBY: She wants him to have a name, Christy.

8 CHRISTY: OK. So, what do you want your new boyfriend's

9           name to be?

10 MELANIE: Jeff.

11 CHRISTY: It can't be Jeff.

12 MELANIE: Why not?

13 SHELBY: Jeff Number two?

14 MELANIE: No.

15 CHRISTY: Jeff number one broke up with you and Jeff number

16           two doesn't exist so let's think of another name.

17 SHELBY: How about Tyler?

18 MELANIE: Yuck! No! Tyler sat next to me in kindergarten and

19           was so annoying!

20 CHRISTY: How about Jonah?

21 MELANIE: My cousin's name is Jonah. I'm not going out with him.

22 CHRISTY: It's just a pretend name.

23 MELANIE: Maybe so, but it needs to seem real.

24 SHELBY: How about Sid?

25 MELANIE: Sid has a million pimples on his face.

26 SHELBY: Not that Sid.

27 MELANIE: Well, that's what I think about when you say the

28           name Sid.

29 CHRISTY: Ryan?

30 MELANIE: Ryan is ugly.

31 SHELBY: Jerry?

32 MELANIE: Jerry, the class clown?

33 CHRISTY: Matthew?

34 MELANIE: Matthew is my brother's friend and I can't stand him.

35 SHELBY: Then you pick a name.

1 MELANIE: I did! Jeff.

2 CHRISTY: And Jeff is the boyfriend who dumped you, Melanie!

3           We need an imaginary boyfriend's name!

4 MELANIE: All I can think of is Jeff.

5 SHELBY: Well, maybe your imaginary boyfriend doesn't need a

6           name.

7 MELANIE: Yes, he does!

8 CHRISTY: Then I guess we'll have to go with Jeff two. The

9           flowers are from Jeff number two. Happy?

10 MELANIE: I wish they were really from Jeff.

11 SHELBY: Jeff number one?

12 MELANIE: Of course Jeff number one! Jeff number two doesn't

13           exist!

14 CHRISTY: So anyway, fourth period, you're sitting in class ...

15 MELANIE: Staring at the door.

16 CHRISTY: Don't stare at the door. It's supposed to be a surprise.

17           Then I enter Mr. Miller's class carrying this huge bouquet

18           of flowers ...

19 MELANIE: And I jump up and say, "Are those for me?"

20 SHELBY: Don't do that. That's too obvious. Just lean over to

21           someone in the class and say, "Gosh, I wonder who the

22           flowers are for?"

23 MELANIE: *(Repeating)* "Gosh, I wonder who the flowers are

24           for?"

25 CHRISTY: Then I will tell Mr. Miller that I have a special flower

26           delivery for Melanie.

27 MELANIE: From Jeff?

28 SHELBY: Don't say that! Say, "For me?"

29 MELANIE: *(Repeating)* For me?

30 CHRISTY: And then I'll bring them to your desk where you

31           smile and act surprised.

32 SHELBY: You can fake it, Melanie.

33 MELANIE: Oh, wow! Flowers! I wonder who they're from?

34 CHRISTY: And make sure Jeff sees the huge red heart on the

35           envelope.



1 MELANIE: What does it say inside the card?  
 2 CHRISTY: *(Smiling)* "From your imaginary boyfriend."  
 3 SHELBY: That's good, Christy!  
 4 MELANIE: I wish it were from Jeff.  
 5 CHRISTY: Why are you getting all depressed? You know Jeff  
 6 didn't send the flowers.  
 7 SHELBY: You're sending them to yourself!  
 8 MELANIE: And that's pathetic, isn't it?  
 9 CHRISTY: Not if it has a purpose.  
 10 SHELBY: To make Jeff jealous.  
 11 CHRISTY: To make him sorry.  
 12 SHELBY: To make him regret.  
 13 CHRISTY: And see that someone else wanted what he threw away.  
 14 MELANIE: But it's a lie! And how pathetic is it to send yourself  
 15 flowers because no one else will!  
 16 CHRISTY: You're overreacting.  
 17 SHELBY: I'd do it. That is, send flowers to myself.  
 18 MELANIE: You would?  
 19 SHELBY: Sure.  
 20 CHRISTY: Me too.  
 21 MELANIE: So it's not a dumb idea?  
 22 CHRISTY: No! It's brilliant!  
 23 SHELBY: I agree.  
 24 CHRISTY: It's all set. Fourth period you receive flowers.  
 25 SHELBY: And remember to act surprised.  
 26 MELANIE: *(Acting surprised)* Oh, I wonder who they're from!  
 27 *(As if looking at the card)* How sweet! Oh, he's just so sweet!  
 28 *(Dabs eyes.)* I think I'm going to cry! *(Begins crying.)*  
 29 SHELBY: Christy, I think she's really crying.  
 30 CHRISTY: She's just rehearsing.  
 31 SHELBY: No, really. I think she's crying.  
 32 CHRISTY: Melanie, are you crying?  
 33 MELANIE: Yes!  
 34 CHRISTY: Because you're so overwhelmed with the flower  
 35 delivery?

1 MELANIE: Yes!  
 2 SHELBY: Wow, she's good!  
 3 CHRISTY: Melanie, are those real tears?  
 4 MELANIE: Yes!  
 5 SHELBY: *(Hands her a tissue.)* Uh, Melanie, you might not want  
 6 to cry too much because then Jeff will think you're sad.  
 7 CHRISTY: And this is supposed to be a happy occasion,  
 8 Romantic. Touching. Heartfelt.  
 9 SHELBY: Why is she still crying?  
 10 CHRISTY: I don't know. Melanie, why are you still crying?  
 11 SHELBY: It appears that she's too upset to talk.  
 12 CHRISTY: But she's not supposed to be upset, she supposed to  
 13 be thrilled! Happy! Overtaken with joy.  
 14 SHELBY: I think she's overtaken with something else. Can't  
 15 you make her stop?  
 16 CHRISTY: What am I supposed to do?  
 17 SHELBY: I don't know. But do something.  
 18 CHRISTY: *(Suddenly)* Jeff isn't worth one single tear!  
 19 SHELBY: That's right! I wouldn't cry over him!  
 20 CHRISTY: Me neither!  
 21 SHELBY: *(After a short pause)* It's not working.  
 22 CHRISTY: I'd be happy to be rid of him!  
 23 SHELBY: Me too!  
 24 CHRISTY: And I wouldn't take him back if he begged!  
 25 SHELBY: Me neither!  
 26 CHRISTY: And he's ugly!  
 27 SHELBY: *(Gives Christy a strange look.)* He is? Oh! He is! He's  
 28 ugly!  
 29 CHRISTY: And he stinks!  
 30 SHELBY: Yes, he stinks!  
 31 CHRISTY: And ... and ...  
 32 SHELBY: *(Blurts.)* He's got another girlfriend!  
 33 CHRISTY: Shelby! *(MELANIE cries louder.)*  
 34 SHELBY: Who's ugly and stinks?  
 35 CHRISTY: Forget it, it's not working.

- 1 SHELBY: I'm sorry. I was trying.  
2 CHRISTY: Melanie, pull yourself together by fourth period  
3 because I am delivering that bouquet to you.  
4 SHELBY: And remember to act surprised!  
5 MELANIE: *(Suddenly, through her sobbing)* For me? I wonder  
6 who they're from? *(Cries.)*  
7 CHRISTY: *(Pulling SHELBY aside as they exit)* He's going to think  
8 someone died.  
9 SHELBY: I know. *(THEY exit.)*  
10 MELANIE: *(Wiping tears)* For me? I wonder who they're from?  
11 *(As if opening the card)* From my imaginary boyfriend!  
12 *(Cries.)*

## 31. The Results

CAST: (2M, 4F) JADE, MEG, MATT,  
DANNY, KRISTIN, DARLA

- 1 *(At rise JADE and MEG sit on the edge of an empty stage.)*  
2 JADE: What part do you want?  
3 MEG: What part do you want?  
4 JADE: The main part, of course.  
5 MEG: Me too.  
6 JADE: *(Looks at her watch.)* Ten more minutes till Mr. Golden  
7 posts the results.  
8 MEG: He always leaves school the minute he puts up the list.  
9 JADE: Probably because he doesn't want to see anyone being  
10 disappointed.  
11 MEG: Students crying.  
12 JADE: Well, I'll cry if I get stuck with some stupid walk-on part.  
13 MEG: And I'll cry if I get the part of the maid. Wouldn't that be  
14 a terrible role? All dressed up in some ugly outfit, walking  
15 on and off the stage carrying drinks and saying "Yes,  
16 ma'am. Yes, sir. Will there be anything else?"  
17 JADE: The part would be OK if she did something exciting in  
18 the play. Like solving the crime or falling in love with  
19 Professor Jenkins.  
20 MEG. But she dies.  
21 JADE: She's murdered.  
22 MEG: I definitely don't want that part. Dead by the end of scene  
23 one.  
24 JADE: I don't want the part of the old woman, either.  
25 MEG: I know! All bent over, carrying around a cane!  
26 JADE: Not a part I'd be excited about having my friends and