

The Emerald City

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INT. GIRLS BEDROOM

The walls are plastered with current Celebrities. i.e. JUSTIN BIEBER, JAY-Z, ONE DIRECTION, LIAM HEMSWORTH. JENNIFER LAWERENCE, ROBERT PATTISON etc. The walls also have a fresh coat of paint on them. Teal Green, or as its referred to in the dialogue, Ocean Spray. Their is a young girl DANA, age 13, just adding the final touches to her new bedroom. A signed picture of her favorite singer, she recently won at contest, along with a 2 tickets to his concert. She spent all day in line waiting to win. We see her now home, victory in hand. Her younger sister CLAIR, enters the room quietly surveying this new land she has affectionately called OZ. Or the Emerald City.

DANA busy adjusting the framed photo of her signed picture, when she is startled by her younger sister.

CLAIR

What are you doing?

DANA

AHHH!!!

CLAIR

Did I scare you?

DANA

If by scare, you mean shake the very foundation of my being. Then yes, you scared me.

CLAIR

Sorry. Didn't think you would notice.

DANA

Well I did. And while were on the subject, next time knock.

CLAIR

But, your door was open?

DANA

Yes, but I'm busy and its the polite way to introduce yourself when walking into someone else's room.

CLAIR

But this is our room.

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DANA

You mean was our room. Its my room now. Your room is now down the hall to the left.

CLAIR

Whatever. Just because DAD said it was your room, doesn't mean I didn't grow up in it.

Clair wanders around the room checking it out.

CLAIR (CONT'D)

I love what you've done with the place. Teal Green, huh? What is this the Emerald City?

DANA

Its called Ocean Spray and if you didn't know, its the most popular color amongst teens my age.

CLAIR

Wow. Guess that makes you a popular color doesn't it?

DANA

What do you want Clair, I'm busy?

CLAIR

Busy doing what? Kissing your boyfriend's picture?

DANA

Your so gross sometimes you know.

CLAIR

Me, gross. Who was just kissing a framed picture of boy?

DANA

You don't know anything about it.

CLAIR

What's to know. He's some so, so singer that some producer guy said was good, and people believed him.

DANA

Its more than just that. He's got everything. Looks. Charm. Those baby blue eyes. Oh and that voice. Did I mention Looks?

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CLAIR

Did I mention he's short?

DANA

Why are you fighting with me?

CLAIR

I'm not fighting. I'm just pointing out the obvious.

DANA

Clair, I'm busy doing something. Can you leave? Or better yet, go play make believe with your dolls or something. Molly and Dolly must be ready for tea time by now.

Clair is hurt by her sister insult.

CLAIR

(quietly)

I don't play Tea Time any more.

Dana heads back to her photo on the wall. She has to finish decorating.

DANA

(oblivious)

What?

CLAIR

(louder)

I said I don't play Tea Time anymore.

DANA

(oblivious)

Oh.

CLAIR

Freak-a-zoid.

DANA

What was that?

CLAIR

Nothing.

DANA

You know Clair sometimes you can be really frustrating.

CLAIR

(sarcastically)

So I've been told.

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DANA

Clair, I have to finish in here. Amy and Janis will be here any minute and I want my new room to be perfect before we hang out.

CLAIR

Oh... Can I, hang out with you.

DANA

Ah. No. Today is serious business. Today is the day I told the girls I would pick who gets to come with me to see HIM in concert. Remember the tickets I won.

CLAIR

Who can forget, its all you talk about.

Dana turns back to her work. Making the room look perfect.

CLAIR (CONT'D)

(long pause)

Can I come?

DANA

(shocked)

NO! Your just a kid. And besides you just said he was a so, so singer that was short. Not to mention, it wouldn't be fair to the girls, if I chose my little baby sister over them.

CLAIR

I'm not a baby Dana. I'm 11 yrs old and I'm the smartest girl in my grade. I way more mature than both Janis and Amy.

DANA

Yeah and a bigger pain in my butt too! Now can you please just LEAVE!!!

Clair is hurt. Defeated, she turns to leave.

Dana realizes she may have gone to far this time. Dana looks around the room. She see's all the new poster's. The freshly painted walls. She gets it. It finanlly clicks.

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DANA (CONT'D)

Wait. Stop.

Clair Stops.

DANA (CONT'D)

You know Clair its not my fault that I'm 13. I'm growing up. Things are changing. Fast. I mean, one second Fuchsia is the best color in the world and tea time is always at 4 pm and then, the next thing you know, you get hit by an Ocean Spray and everything changes.

CLAIR

What?

DANA

Ocean Spray. Agh. I mean, Teal Green OK. Look what I'm trying to say is...you're my baby sister and I still love you, but their are gonna be some times when I just want to hang out with girls my own age. You know? And right now you may not be able to understand that, but one day, you're gonna be asking me to knock on your door before entering too. So I'm sorry if I upset you. Its just, sometimes you really can be frustrating.

CLAIR

(tearing up)

I know. And I get it. I'm not a dummy. It's just. I miss hanging out.

DANA

(tearing up)

I know kiddo. I do to sometimes.

Dana goes over to her sister and gives her a hug. They share a moment.

DANA (CONT'D)

Growing up is tough and weird at the same. But remember, we'll always have each other.

Dana looks at the clock, it says 4pm.

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DANA (CONT'D)

Would yeah look at that, its tea
time. Shall we?

Dana starts to walk out of her room.

CLAIR

Ah, I prefer coffee. Two milks one
sugar.

They both share a laugh.

DANA

Look at you little miss grown up.

CLAIR

What about Janis and Clair? Aren't
they coming over?

DANA

Not for and hour. And who know's
maybe they can join us.

CLAIR

Does that mean your taking me to
the concert?

DANA

Ah NO. Don't try to grow up to
fast kiddo, cause before you know
it, BAAM your hit by an Ocean
Spray!

They both exit.