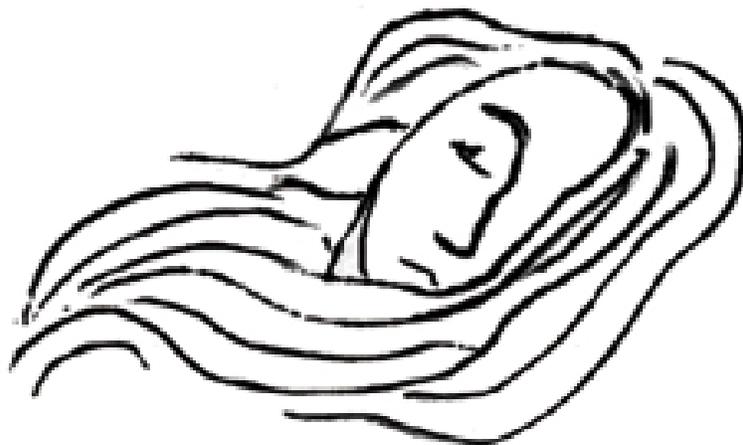


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SCENE EXCERPTS PACKET

SCENE 6

FADE IN

INT.

ALEX'S HOUSE

EVENING

Alex is in his room. His DAD, PETER JEFFERSON enters Alex's room.

PETER (sarcastically)

Alex - Why didn't you put the garbage cans out today? Is that too difficult for your small mind to handle?

ALEX

No

PETER

I need your car tomorrow because I have to get mine serviced. So be home by 5:30 so you can take me to the airport.

ALEX

Where are you going?

PETER

Don't you ever listen to me? I've already told you twice that I was going to Chicago for our annual conference. I'll be back day after tomorrow. Sara will be staying here until I get back.

ALEX

How come you aren't using her car tomorrow?

PETER

Because she isn't staying over tonight. But we're going out to dinner so don't eat anything. We are picking her up at 7:00.

FADE OUT

SCENE 7

FADE IN

INT.

SARA'S HOUSE

EVENING

Alex and his dad are seen pulling into SARA GARCIA's driveway. Sara is Peter's girlfriend. They enter her home.

SARA (kissing Peter)
Hi guys.

PETER
Hi. Ready?

SARA
Yes and I am starved. Where are we going?

PETER
The way you are dressed? To prison!.

SARA
What do you mean? What's wrong with what I am wearing?

PETER
Well nothing, except people might think I'm your pimp. I hate it when you dress like this. You know how I like you to dress. Especially when were together.

SARA
Fine! I'll go change. But before I go, let me help you. Your tie is all messed up.

PETER (grabbing her arm roughly)
Look, you can barely take care of yourself. Just go and change so we can eat. And put on a bra!

FADE OUT

SCENE 8

FADE IN
INT.

Destination X Espresso Bar & Café

AFTERNOON

Annie, Alex, Jenefer, Ed, and some other friends are hanging out on a Saturday afternoon trying to decide what to do that evening.

GINA

I think we should go to the Falls. It's only an hour away.

ANNIE

That's a great idea. What do you think Alex? Doesn't that sound like fun?

ALEX

Yeah. I guess so. Sure.

ED

Hey Alex, try not to sound too excited.

ANNIE

Do you want to go?

ALEX

What about our plans to do something together? Just the two of us.

ANNIE

I don't know. But this will be really fun.

ALEX

I agree it sounds like a great time.

ANNIE

So then do you want to go?

ALEX

Uh yeah, but I'll have to get rid of the tickets I have for the concert.

ANNIE

What tickets?

ALEX

I was going to surprise you, but if you must know, they are for the Peace Warriors – for their concert later.

ANNIE

Really? That's my favorite band! I thought they were sold out?

ALEX

I know they are that's why I got them...and yes they are sold out... So it's up to you. It's your choice.

ANNIE (turning to Jenefer and the rest of the group)

I guess we're going to pass.

GINA

Oh come on you two. This will be much more fun, I promise.

ALEX

Sorry, Annie made the decision. Come on Annie, we better get going. Have fun everybody.

ANNIE

Bye everyone.

FADE OUT

SCENE 9

FADE IN
EXT.

CONCERT HALL

NIGHT

Alex and Annie are in front of the concert hall. Alex is trying to scalp tickets.

ANNIE

Alex, I thought you said you had tickets.

ALEX

Would you just relax. We have plenty of time to try and get the tickets.

ANNIE

Well what if we don't get tickets? Then we won't see the band and we won't be able to catch up with the others in time to go to the Falls.

ALEX

Listen! We'll get tickets and if we don't, we'll just do something else. If you wanted to go to the Falls so much, why didn't you say so?

ANNIE

I did, but you said you HAD tickets to the Peace Warriors.

ALEX

I said I had tickets because I thought you didn't really want to go to the Falls, and that this would make it easier for you to say no. And I really just wanted to spend time with just you. I miss you even when we are together but there are other people around. It feels like...

ANNIE

...what? What does it feel like?

ALEX

I don't know. It's just that you're always saying that you wish we had more time for just you and me. And when we are hanging out with everyone else, well it just seems to me that the time we spend hanging out with the others, is time that we could be spending together. Alone.

FADE OUT

SCENE 10

FADE IN
INT.

LOCAL CLOTHES STORE

DAY

Annie and Jenefer are shopping the day after Jenefer and the rest of the group went to the Falls.

ANNIE

So how was last night? Did everyone have fun?

GINA

Yes. It was a blast! I couldn't believe it, someone dared Ed to jump in the water and he did. And after he jumped in he just disappeared!

ANNIE

Really? What happened to him? I really wanted to go.

GINA

He jumped into the water, into that pool by the waterfall and then just disappeared. When he didn't come to the surface, we all started freaking out. Then we heard him laughing, but we couldn't see him.

ANNIE

Well where was he?

GINA

He found this cool cave by surfacing behind the waterfall. Then all of us hiked behind the waterfall to the cave. It was great!

ANNIE

Wow! I'm really bummed that I missed it.

GINA

Didn't you have fun at the concert?

ANNIE

We didn't go.

GINA

Why not? What happened?

ANNIE

We couldn't get tickets. They were sold out, and we didn't have enough money to scalp two tickets, so we just went to my house and watched TV.

GINA

I thought Alex already had the tickets?

ANNIE

Me to.

GINA

Why did he lie?

ANNIE

Actually it was really sweet. He said that he misses me and just wanted to spend some time alone. You know, just the two of us. Isn't that romantic?

GINA

Yeah, I guess so.

FADE OUT

SCENE 12

FADE IN
INT.

ANNIE'S BEDROOM

DAY

Annie is very upset at what Alex did, and they are arguing.

ANNIE

Alex, what were you thinking?!

ALEX

Well when I found your rehearsal and show schedule it seemed as though we wouldn't be able to spend any time together. And I thought that it was important to you for us to spend time together. Obviously I was wrong!

ANNIE

Of course I want to spend time with you, but I also want to be in the group. You made me look like an idiot in front of my best friend.

ALEX

What do you mean?

ANNIE

When she told me that you had spoken with her about me dropping out of the group I couldn't tell her I knew nothing about it, and look even more stupid! So I just told her I would think about it. Were you going to tell me? Didn't you think she would ask me about it?

ALEX

Of course I was going to tell you. I just thought that I would see you before she got a chance to talk to you.

ANNIE

Why would you do something like this?

ALEX(after a few moments of silence)

So what are you going to tell her? Are you still going to be in the group?

ANNIE

Aren't you listening to me? YES I am going to be in the group!

ALEX

Well then what about us?!

ANNIE

What do you mean?

ALEX

Well I guess we might as well break up then.

ANNIE

Alex...

ALEX

...It is obvious that being in the group is more important than being with me so....

ANNIE

...that's not true. You know I want to be with you!

SCENE 12 (continued)

ALEX

Annie, look, when I date someone I want to spend time with that person. And only that person. Understand?

ANNIE

So what are you saying? Are you saying that I have to choose between you and singing?

ALEX

What I'm saying is that I think we have something really good. Something special. And I would hate to throw that away over a stupid band that plays in a coffee shop.

ANNIE

Its not stupid! I...

ALEX

...Oh come on Annie, you even said you feel stupid sometimes playing to a crowd of about three people...

ALEX

...No I didn't I said it would be nice to play for a bigger audience sometime.... Alex, you're confusing and twisting everything I say...

ALEX(charming her)

...Well I can make sure you aren't confused by anything. And you'll have more fun with just me.

ANNIE

Alex, I don't know...

ALEX(grabbing her)

...oh come on...hey remember our first date? And how much fun we had...remember? We drove around all night then you had to climb back in your window...

ANNIE

Yeah of course I remember.

ALEX

That was a lot of fun wasn't it?

ANNIE

...Yeah it was very fun...and exciting...

ALEX grabbing her)

...Come on.... You can sing for me...

ANNIE

...Well we would be able to spend more time together...

ALEX (laying Annie on the bed – still holding one wrist)

...Exactly what I was thinking.

They begin to kiss.
FADE OUT

SCENE 15

FADE IN
EXT.

PARK

DAY

Annie is pulling up to the Park where Alex and his friends are hanging out and so are some of Annie's friends.

ALEX'S FRIEND

Alex, I could have taken you home 20 minutes ago.

ALEX

No that's all right. I'll just have to teach her a lesson.

CUT to ANNIE.

ANNIE

Hi Jenefer, Hi Jackie, Hi Jessica.

GINA, JACKIE, ELIZABETH

Hi Annie.

ANNIE

Hey have you seen Alex?

GINA

Yeah he's over there. And he's walking this way.

ANNIE (walking toward Alex)

Hi. I'm *SO* sorry I'm late.

ALEX

Where the hell have you been! I've been waiting for 15 minutes!

ANNIE

I know, I'm sorry. I had to drop Carolyn off at work....

ALEX (grabbing her by the arm)

...I don't care what you had to do! You should have left earlier!

ANNIE

Alex let go of me!

ALEX (pushing Annie down hard)

Don't ever make me wait again!

Annie runs to the car.

ALEX

Annie! Annie! Wait!

He runs after her and gets in the car. He tries to hug her.

ANNIE

Get away from me!

ALEX

I'm sorry. Really!

ANNIE (visibly upset)

What is your problem? Why did you do that?

ALEX

Well if *you* hadn't been so late I wouldn't have gotten angry. You promised that you wouldn't be late didn't you?

SCENE 15 (CONTINUED)

ANNIE

Yes.

ALEX

Are you OK.

ANNIE (calming down)

Yes. I'm sorry that I was late.

ALEX

Are you mad at me?

ANNIE

No, I guess not. But you hurt me Alex..

ALEX (hugging her)

I know, I'm sorry.

FADE OUT

SCENE 16

FADE IN
EXT.

GARFIELD AQUARIUM

DAY

Annie and Jenefer are walking on the side walk next to the Aquarium Building.

ANNIE

How are things with you and Nathan? You two make a great couple. You get along so well.

GINA

Yeah, he is great. He is really laid back.

ANNIE

Do you ever argue?

GINA

I don't know if I'd call it arguing. We don't always agree on everything, but we never yell at each other if that's what you mean. Why?

ANNIE

I don't know, I was just wondering.

GINA (probing)

Do you and Alex argue? Does he yell at you a lot – like he did yesterday?

ANNIE

Yes, sometimes.

GINA

So what did happen yesterday?
Has Alex ever done something like that before? I told Ed what happened how he threw you to the ground.

ANNIE (defensively)

Why did you have to tell Ed? Alex didn't mean to get so mad. He said he would never get mad like that again.

GINA

Did you tell your parents?

ANNIE

No! It won't happen again. He promised. God why are you making such a big deal out of this?

GINA

Because it is a big deal...

ANNIE

...no it isn't! It was my fault to, I was the one that was late. Look I've got to go.

FADE OUT

SCENE 23

FADE IN

INT.

ANNIE'S BEDROOM

MORNING

Annie wakes up and reaches for her neck. She then gets up and walks over to her mirror. Then gets back into bed when she hears her Mom calling her.

MOM (entering room)

Annie get up. You are going to be late. Come on time to get up.

ANNIE

I'm staying home today. I don't feel well.

MOM

Come on Annie, get up. You'll feel better after you've eaten? Don't you have an exam today?

ANNIE

Yes, but I'll make it up Monday.

MOM

That isn't why you're staying home is it?

ANNIE

No Mom, I really don't feel well.

MOM (becoming concerned)

OK honey, do you want some tea?

ANNIE

No, thanks.

FADE OUT