

Lauren flips through a few more pages of horrific genital rashes and boils. She holds up the book for Lara to see.

LAUREN  
What does this remind you of? Degas?  
Seurat? Renoir?

LARA  
(flat)  
Scooby Doo.

Lara looks at herself in the mirror, studying her figure.

LARA  
How do I look?

LAUREN  
Well, since you asked, you're looking  
really skinny.

LARA  
Skinny?

LAUREN  
Skinny.

LARA  
Bulimic skinny or anorexic skinny?

LAUREN  
Is there a difference?

LARA  
Bulimic skinny passes for healthy.  
Except your teeth rot -- but my teeth  
aren't rotting, so...

LAUREN  
So you look bulimic skinny?

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LARA

Lauren -- I'm telling you, it's amazing how much weight you lose when you're off the pill.

LAUREN

Yeah. Until the fifty pounds you gain when you get knocked up.

LARA

Do the math. If a condom is 98% safe and he wears two, then you're 196% safe. That's a better percentage than the pill can offer.

LAUREN

I'm not sure it works that way. I mean *abstinence* is 100% safe, which is less of a percentage than--

LARA

Whatever. I don't know. I don't major in math.

Lauren nods. Lara gets her stuff ready to leave.

LARA

So are you going, or not?

LAUREN

I don't know. I have an early class tomorrow.

LARA

Lauren, listen to your friend and roommate: You need to get laid. You need to lose your virginity. If you don't lose it in college you're never gonna lose it.

(beat)

You can't spend your life waiting for Victor. And don't spend all night waiting up for me.

Lauren looks at her for a while as this sinks in and then finally nods. She then looks out the window at the party across campus at the Edge of the World...

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