

【 YOUNG ADULT 】

MAVIS:

*Maker's Mark.*

[LONG BEAT]

*What ?*

MATT:

*I'm sorry, but I think we went to high school together.*

MAVIS:

*At same time ?*

MATT:

*Yeah. You're Mavis Gary ?*

MAVIS:

*Mavis Gary-Crane Now.*

MATT:

*I'm Matt Freehauf.*

*My locker was actually next to yours, all through high school.*

MAVIS:

*Matt...Freehauf. Yeah.*

*Yeah, your locker was right there. Right next to mine.*

MATT:

*We didn't run in the same circles. You were pretty popular, if i remember correctly.*

*You won "Best Hair."*

MAVIS:

*Did I ? What did you win ?*

MATT:

*I didn't. They usually give out, like, 15 of those, and only to the same five people.*

MAVIS:

*Yeah, well, listen, Matt, It was really nice seeing to you...*

MATT:

*What are you doing back in Mercury ? You move back ? or...*

MAVIS:

*Of course not. Gross. No, I live in Minneapolis.*

*I'm just here taking care of a little real estate thing. I own some property...*

MATT:

*I read in the Sun you're a writer.*

MAVIS:

*Yes, I am an author.*

MATT:

*Children's books.*

MAVIS:

*Y.A. That's industry speak for "Young Adult." It's a very popular teen series.*

*It's everywhere. It's huge. You probably seen it.*

MATT:

*Vampires ?*

[ BEAT ]

MATT:

*Hey, take that, liver.*

MAVIS:

*Weren't you that hate crime guy ?*

MATT:

*Excuse me ?*

MAVIS:

*You totally were. You're the hate crime guy. Oh, my god. Why didn't you just say that ?*

*Now I know who you are. Matt, the hate crime guy.*

MATT:

*Yes, Mavis. When I was a...When we were seniors,*

*a bunch of jocks who thought I was gay jumped me in the woods...*

MAVIS:

*That's right.*

MATT:

*...and hit me on the legs and dick with a crowbar.*

MAVIS:

*With a crowbar. I totally remember that.*

MATT:

*It was national news. I mean, until people found out that I wasn't really gay.*

*Then, it wasn't a hate crime anymore. It was a fat guy getting his ass beat.*

MAVIS:

*Didn't you get to miss a bunch of school ?*

MATT:

*Yes, I got to miss about six months. It was awesome.*

MAVIS:

*Fuck. How's your dick ?*

MATT:

*Not good...Not good.*

MAVIS:

*Does it work ?*

MATT:

*Yeah, it works. You know, its just kind of does a...*

MAVIS:

*Hard Jacks. Do you know who drinks these ?*

MATT:

*I don't.*

MAVIS:

*Buddy Slade.*

MATT:

*Buddy Slade. That's an interesting fact.*

MAVIS:

*Come here. Do you wanna know why I'm really in town ?*

MATT:

*Yes...*

MAVIS:

*I can't tell you in here.*

[ MOVEMENT ]

MATT:

*O.K, you got me out here.*

MAVIS:

*All right. Here's the deal. Buddy Slade and I are meant to be together.*

*And I'm here to get him back.*

MATT:

*Buddy Slade. All right. I'm pretty sure he's married with a kid on the way.*

MAVIS:

*No, kid's here. She already had it. I'm cool with it. I mean, I've got baggage too.*

MATT:

*So wait, are you not joking ?*

MAVIS:

*Oh, God, Matt, I get it. People won't understand. But you know, these things happen.*

*In real life, they actually happen. They just tend to happen in slow motion.*

*They get divorced, they reconfigure, and society is, like, fine with that...*

*if you take your time, like an emotional glacier. I'm 37...*

MATT:

*Mavis, I would keep all of this to yourself.*

*I would find a therapist. Talk to a professional.*

MAVIS:

**MATT.**

MATT:

*Oh, Boy.*

MAVIS:

*Don't you get it ? Love conquers all. Have you not seen The Graduate ?*

*Or, like, I don't know, anything ? Oh, a taxi.*

MATT:

*Yes, we called it...Mavis, hey !! Buddy Slade has a life.*

MAVIS:

*Buddy Slade has a life. No, he has a baby, and babies are boring !!*