A Nice Day

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INT. SUBURBAN HOME LIVING ROOM - DAY

It is a warm day and all the windows are open in the house. Rachel a teenage girl sits on the living room couch watching her Mom dust the room. Rachel has her feet up on the table as she reads a magazine

MOM
It’s such a nice day.

A small pause as the Mom stops dusting to admire the beauty of the day

RACHEL
What time are we having diner tonight?

MOM
Around 6:30

Rachel takes her feet down and stops reading her magazine

RACHEL
Why are we eating so late?

MOM
Tom gets home around that time

RACHEL
(Sarcastic)
Great

Rachel starts reading the magazine again and Mom stops dusting

MOM
What’s the audited for?

Rachel stops reading the magazine

RACHEL
I love how our lives run off Tom’s schedule

MOM
You have been such a b-i-t-c-h lately

RACHEL
It’s true we eat later than we used to and we can’t use the bathroom in the morning
MOM
I can’t believe you, before Tom moved in I asked you and your brother if you would mind.

RACHEL
Well, things change

MOM
Your brother doesn’t care. Why do you always have to be difficult Tom moved in three weeks ago and you are already a pain in the ass
(Pause, Mom takes a breath and then starts dusting then stops)
Well, you better get used to it cause he’s going to be here a while

RACHEL
Why you goanna marry him

MOM
What if I do? Are you going to keep being a bitch!

Rachel looks at here mom in a disapproving matter.

MOM (CONT'D)
I’m sorry, what’s wrong are you upset because of your father

Rachel puts down the magazine. Mom moves toward the couch and sits down next Rachel

RACHEL
No, I don’t care about him

Mom moves even closer and puts her hand on Rachel’s lap

MOM
It’s ok now I understand. Tom isn’t trying to take your father’s place. Rachel the divorce was a long time ago

Rachel moves her mother’s hand away violently

RACHEL
(With great anger)
Shut up! That has nothing to do with it
MOM
Then what’s wrong. Why are you like this?

RACHEL
Did you ever think that I just want don’t him here

MOM
What changed? You told me you liked Tom. You and your brother have so much fun with him.

Pause, then mom starts to get a tear in her eye

MOM (CONT'D)
You know tom moved in and every one was happy, including you, then after a week went by I thought we were starting to become a happy family, but the past to week-

RACHEL
(Cuts off)
I just want him to leave

MOM
Ow! That’s great. You decided that he should leave. Lets kick him out of the house because Rachel decided she doesn’t want him here anymore

Short pause, Mom almost crieing

MOM (CONT'D)
You never think about me or your brother, no, it’s always about Rachel. If Rachel decides on something the whole family has to stand behind her or she will take it out on every one.

RACHEL
No Mom, that’s not it

MOM
You are such a selfish twit

RACHEL
Tom touches me

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MOM
(Not upset concerned)
What do you mean

RACHEL
The first time we were alone
together Tom touched me

Long pause

MOM
(Mad)
I can’t believe you would say
something so terrible

Mom gets up and leaves the room

RACHEL
Mom, it’s true