

SAVE YOUR BREATH

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FADE IN:

INT. THE MANCHESTER'S - DAY

THE CAMERA REVEALS A HAND HOLDING A NIKE BAG ON THE HALLWAY.

A phone beep sound.

SCOUT (V.O)
Yeah hello, no...Jo's not here
today, yeah he called in
sick(pauses) alright be there in a
minute.

A beep sound.

Scout(27), 5'9 tall, strong face features, conserved,
passionate and impulsive walks in a room.

MELANIE MANCHESTER(48), young looking for her age, apple body
type, prudent and insecure walks around the room fluffing the
pillows.

She notices his presence.

MELANIE
Oh hii! Here for the boys?

SCOUT
Yeah sorry, Jo called in sick.

MELANIE
Good, they look like hillbillies.
Better make 'em handsome!

Scout side smiles.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
Their are upstairs.

She hands him a mask.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
They all have the flue, have this.

He nods.

SCOUT
Thanks.

He gets upstairs.

He walks in an open door.

WE SEE TWO YOUNG BOYS SLEEPING ON SIDED BEDS.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS TO THE OPPOSITE DOOR WITH A TAG DON'T BOTHER
KNOCKING I WONT HEAR YOU.

Melanie shouts.

MELANIE
WEN(19), Wen, Elowen!!!!

ELOWEN
(Shouts)
What??

MELANIE
Get down here and have something!

She looks at the well prepared table.

ELOWEN
Yeah? No!!

MELANIE
Really? We are going to do this
now.

Shouts.

Fine! Starve to death, I don't
care!

She breathes out.

She's going to give me a heart
attack one of these days.

She massages her temple.

THE CAMERA MOVES TO THE BOYS ROOM.

Scout puts his headphones over his ears and a mask to cover
his face.

INT. ELOWEN'S ROOM - DAY

Elowen, 5'5 foot tall, pretty, gymnastic body type, elevated,
outgoing and catastrophic jumps up and down on her bed with
very loud pop music playing.

The car engines starts outside.

She lowers the volume and listens for a tyre screech sound.

Tyres screech. She smirks and increases the music and keeps jumping on her bed.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS OUT THROUGH HER WINDOW AND ZOOMS IN TO THE LIVING ROOM.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Scout trims the boys hair. He has his headphones on.

Elowen walks downstairs in a shorts and t-shirt, her hair in a rough bun. She looks around and gets upstairs quickly.

WE SEE ELOWEN WALKING DOWN THE STAIRS IN A LEOTARD AND HEADS OUTSIDE.

She puts her water bottle on the ground and grabs a suspended rope and does rhythmic gymnastics.

The boys see her through the glass window in the living room.

She hangs upside down holding on to the rope as her end trick as she looks through the window. Scout mouth opened looks at Elowen.

ZAC

Yeah, she always does that.

OLIVER

(Shouts)

It's my turn, it's my turn.

Elowen walks in as she sips water from her bottle. Her hand on her waist.

ELOWEN

(Smirks)

You're not Jo.

SCOUT

No I um, he quit.

OLIVER

Mr. Scout has been giving us a haircut.

ZAC

He was here two weeks ago!

ELOWEN

Oh?

She sips water.

OLIVER
Too busy throwing tantrums to
notice.

ELOWEN
Shut up Oliver, what do you know
about teenage hood?

ZAC
You got busted!!

Elowen gives Zac a death threat look.

ELOWEN
So um, Mr...

SCOUT
Scout.

ELOWEN
Yeah, yeah, I usually do my after
stretch in here and you are sort of
taking up the space. The sun is
heating that ground like lava.

SCOUT
Oh I'll get out of your hair.

Oliver holds Scout's hand.

OLIVER
No! I want my haircut done here,
like Zac!

ELOWEN
Fine whatever.

She walks in front of them and does stand side bends. She
then does the split. Scout gasps as makes the split. She does
stretches her triceps at that position.

ZAC
Bragger.

SCOUT
(To Oliver)
Come on little man, it's all done!

Zac and Oliver run to a mirror and look at their haircut.

Elowen gets up and does her final stretches. Scout packs up.

She takes a towel and dries herself.

ELOWEN

Hey!

Scout looks at her.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

Wanna go for a swim?

SCOUT

No I'm good.

ELOWEN

Yeah whatever.

She walks outside, take off her leotard to reveal a bra and bikini. She dives in.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

(Shouts)

The water is great!!!

(Two Weeks Later)

EXT. SWIMMING POOL- BEACH CHAIR - DAY

WE SEE ELOWEN IN A SWIM SUIT AND SHADES SIPPING ORANGE JUICE.

Scout walks and stands next to her.

She lowers her shades and looks at him.

ELOWEN

You're here often.

She places the shades back.

SCOUT

So are you. Aren't you suppose to be at school?

ELOWEN

You don't ask questions, neither will I.

She sips.

Scout takes a beach chair and pulls it closer to hers. He sits facing her.

SCOUT

I am here every two weeks, that's what the contract says.

ELOWEN

I didn't need to know that.

Scout rolls his eyes.

SCOUT

You gotta give me something here.

Elowen breathes out.

ELOWEN

I got suspended OK?

SCOUT

Why?

Elowen looks at him and takes her shades off.

ELOWEN

Let's play a game.

Scout nods.

Elowen gets close to him. Millimeters from his face and looks at his eyes and lips.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

(Seductively)

I am going to get in that pool, take my swim suit off, swim to the other end and you have to swim to me with my swim suit or I am coming out of there naked.

SCOUT

What I...

She walks to the pool and gets in, she gets her swim suit off and starts swimming.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

Come on!

He hurriedly takes his shirt and pants off and gets in the water. He rushes to the floating swim suit and swims towards her at the end. He closes up to her, body to body.

He pants.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

What was that?!!!

ELOWEN

Oh look, he made it.

SCOUT

Here!!

Offers her the swimsuit, she stretches her hand and takes a towel instead.

ELOWEN

(Smiles)

Keep it...

Scout's eyes widen.

SCOUT

Um.

ELOWEN

Come on crib cut boy get out of there.

She winks.

(Next two weeks)

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

THE CAMERA REVEALS TWO FEET, A SHORT CHEER LEADING SKIRT, AND A CROP TOP ON ELOWEN'S BODY.

She walks through the hall filled with strangers toasting and drinking.

She walks to the boys room and opens the door.

ELOWEN

(Mouths)

Stay in.

They curl up on their beds.

Elowen side smiles and locks their door. She turns and sees a girl and a guy get in her room giggling. She roles her eyes and gets downstairs as she high fives everyone on the way.

WE SEE SCOUT GET IN.

SCOUT

What the fuck?!

He looks around and sees a bunch of teenagers dancing and partying.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

Oh man Jo...you ain't say shit about this.

Elowen sees him and whispers to one of her girlfriends.

ELOWEN
Watch this...

Scout takes his phone and dials.

WE SEE MRS. MANCHESTER NAME ON THE PHONE INTERFACE.

He places the phone on his ear.

Elowen quickly takes the phone and kisses him off-guard.

FORD CASSETT(19), tennis athlete, arrogant and selfish is talking to some girls and flirts with them. He looks and notices. A guy with a drink on his hand taps him.

GUY
Dude isn't that like Elowen? She's
massacring those lips.

FORD
I don't care, I don't care(low
tone) we are on a break.

GUY
Yeah, yeah, OK.

He walks away.

Ford keeps flirting with the girls.

Elowen holds Scout's hand and they walk upstairs, all eyes on Ford, who ignores them.

INT. UPSTAIRS - DAY

ELOWEN
You were great down there.

As she opens the boys room.

SCOUT
Yoh, I'm just here to work.

ELOWEN
Yeah, yeah, whatever.

She kisses him on the cheek.

The boys run towards him and hug him.

Elowen rolls her eyes and closes the door. She slightly opens it.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
And Scout? That was a dick move,
calling mom? Clearly you know
nothing about being a teenager.

She closes the door. A hand grabs her hand, she turns around.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Ford? You made it.

Ford forces himself on her and kisses her, she pulls away.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
What are you doing?

Ford nods in satisfaction.

FORD
What? Now you're banging that cheap
crow?

ELOWEN
What?

FORD
I ain't seen a grand worth a clothe
on him.

ELOWEN
I am just enjoying my party! And as
far as I am concerned we are on a
break.

She walks away. Ford grabs her hand again.

FORD
Come on baby, we ain't like this,
me and you. Don't me so hostile
towards me.

Elowen calms down.

ELOWEN
Wanna fuck in my mom's bathroom?
It's incredible.

Ford nods in excitement. They walk away.

WE SEE ELOWEN CLOSE THE DOOR BEHIND HER.

EXT. THE MANCHESTER'S - DAY

WE SEE MELANIE GET INSIDE FUMBLING IN HER PORCH AS SHE IS ON A CALL.

MELANIE

I swear they were in here
somewhere.

She looks up and sees teenagers around her house.

MELANIE (CONT'D)

It's Thursday aren't you all
suppose to be at school?

TEENAGER

(Shrugs)

Your daughter's suspension is over
we are all here to celebrate.

He sips.

MELANIE

Where is she?

He points upstairs

OK, out all of you!!!(shouts)

The crowd boos.

MELANIE (CONT'D)

Yeah, yeah but I am the mom.

INT. MELANIE'S ROOM - BATHTUB - DAY

Elowen is on top.

ELOWEN

(Out of breath)

What was that?!

FORD

(Out of breath)

I don't know, I don't care.

He increases the shower pressure.

THE CAMERA MOVES INTO ELOWEN MOANING, FORD'S MOUTH SLIGHTLY OPEN.(SLOW MOTION)

THE CAMERA MOVES OUT OF THE BATHTUB TO MELANIE'S DOOR.

We hear heels creak on the stairs.

The door knob moves a second.

EXT. MELANIE DOOR - DAY

SCOUT
Mrs. Manchester.

MELANIE
Oh hey? You're around?

SCOUT
Yes been here a minute.

Scratches the back of his head.

MELANIE
Oh having hormonal teenagers.

She tries to open her door.

SCOUT
Wait!

MELANIE
Huh.

SCOUT
(Shakes his head)
Don't go in there.

MELANIE
What?

SCOUT
There are teenagers with raging
hormones in there!

MELANIE
Oh, ew...

SCOUT
Yeah!

MELANIE
Where is my daughter?

SCOUT
Backyard!

MELANIE
Christ, my boss is gonna kill me.

She heads downstairs.

INT. MELANIE'S ROOM - BATHTUB - DAY

FORD
Why the music stop?

ELOWEN
We better go check.

FORD
No, no..

ELOWEN
Ford...!

FORD
(Disappointed)
OK, fine.

They have a quick shower and open the door.

Scout leans on the door.

SCOUT
Finally, your mom's here!

ELOWEN
What????????? Shit, shit, shit.

FORD
Oh I gotta go...

ELOWEN
No stay here!!

INT. LIVING ROOM

Melanie gets in through the back door.

MELANIE
(Throws her hands in the
air)
I can't even find my own kid.

Elowen drops from upstairs, Scout and Ford follow.

ELOWEN
Hii mom.

Melanie points a finger at her but is speechless.

MELANIE
You, clean this mess, I'll see you
in the evening.

She walks to her kitchen table and sees her office keys inside a glass of water.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
Oh good grief.

She takes it out and rubs on her skirt. She walks towards Scout and gives him a kiss on his cheek.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
Thank you, I'll send you a check.

He nods.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
Ford...

Nods in satisfaction.

Ford nods back.

MELANIE (CONT'D)
(To Elowen)
Clean this mess up!!!

She walks out.

Elowen breathes out heavily and puts her hands together.

ELOWEN
You two are going to help me.

FORD
(Chocks)
What?!

ELOWEN
Get busy up, up.

SCOUT
Ah your brothers still need me to fix their hair.

ELOWEN
Don't care do it later?! This woman might extend my suspension, she is limitless.

FORD
Yoh, Wen? I dig you, but I ain't cleaning anyone's shit.

He walks out.

ELOWEN

And that's why we were on a break!

She collapses on her couch. Scout gets in the kitchen and then gets out with two trash bags. He places one on the floor and takes the other one on his hand and starts picking up cups.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

What are you doing?

SCOUT

Cleaning up.

He takes the trash bag on the floor and hands it to her.

ELOWEN

Gimme that.

They clean.

(Hours Later)

WE SEE A RELATIVELY CLEAN HOUSE.

Scout and Elowen are on the couch having left over punch.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

Son of a bitch just fled.

SCOUT

I wouldn't call that gentle.

Elowen chuckles and then bursts into a laugh. She places her leg on his lap. He doesn't react.

ELOWEN

Do you know why I started dating
him?

Scout shakes his head.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

Prestige.

She sips her punch.

SCOUT

You never liked him?

ELOWEN

I wouldn't say like, I would say infatuated, he was liquid gold, every girl wanted him, they still do. I got sick of his endless drama.

SCOUT

Oh his the dramatic one.

He sips his punch. Elowen slaps his punch and it falls on her leg and his lap.

ELOWEN

Oh my, I am so sorry.

SCOUT

No, it's OK.

ELOWEN

I know what would fix that.

SCOUT

Dry cleaning?

ELOWEN

No...

She lies her on her stomach and raises her legs, high enough for his mouth to reach.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

I'll clean you and you'll clean me.

Scout's eyes widen.

She tenderly licks the punch of his jeans.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

It's really good.

SCOUT (V.O.)

Fuck you Jo, this was never in the job description.

ELOWEN

Come on, don't be shy.

She takes her right sneaker off and her sock.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

It's clean I promise.

Elowen keeps licking and Scout closes his eyes and bites his lip to stop from making a sound.

He holds her right leg.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Damn, you're cold.

He licks her leg gently.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
But you're mouth is hot. Nice.

Zac drops from upstairs.

ZAC
Elowen I'm hungry!

They quickly sit strsight.

Oliver pops up.

OLIVER
Me too, The Meg is on, Jason
Statham is in it. I wanna watch it.

Zac and Oliver high five.

Elowen takes her other sneaker and sock off and is barefoot.

ELOWEN
Fine, they are leftovers in the
fridge.

She walks to the kitchen.

SCOUT
The um, the...swimming pool needs
cleaning.

ELOWEN
Yeah be right there.

She microwaves.

(Minutes later)

She walks out to the swimming pool and we see Scout taking out paper plates, wraps and cups.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Ohh, it's cold.

SCOUT
Yeah?

ELOWEN

I am just gonna grab a towel.

She takes a towel and covers herself.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

You're a nice guy.

SCOUT

I wouldn't say nice. You just met me.

ELOWEN

Nicer than all the men I'd "just met".

Scout clicks his tongue.

SCOUT

More can be done here, but I guess it looks better.

Looks at the swimming pool.

Elowen takes off the towel and walk towards him, she wraps her hands around his neck and kisses him, he shows resistance but his hands go to her waist. They fall on the swimming pool and keep kissing.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS TO THE BOYS WINDOW. WE SEE THEM PLAY VIDEO GAMES UNAWARE OF THE SWIMMING POOL SITUATION.

ELOWEN

(Breathes out)

Thank you for the help.

Scout nods as he looks at her. Elowen pushes him away.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

No.

SCOUT

Huh?

ELOWEN

I don't want you to be another hook up, not like this, not today.

Scout nods in understanding. Elowen gets closer and kisses him passionately.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

You probably have to go...

Breathes out heavily.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
 Mom is coming in soon, I better
 have good luck with that!

SCOUT
 Save your breath.

He kisses her gently and get out of the waters.

ELOWEN
 Hey.

SCOUT
 Yeah?

ELOWEN
 Was that you? You stopped mom from
 getting in?

SCOUT
 And you say I know nothing about
 teenagers.

She side hugs him as they head inside.
 (A week later)

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Scout gets inside with a jacket, jeans and rubbers, he takes
 off the jacket and has a white shirt on.

Elowen walks down the stairs in a short and a t-shirt.

SCOUT
 I came as soon as I could. What was
 so urgent?

Elowen gets downstairs and takes off her t-shirt and shorts
 as she walks.

ELOWEN
 (Pants)
 Mom and the boys are out for the
 night family dinner, we got exactly
 two hours.

She raises her heels and places a kiss on his lips. She wraps
 her hands around his neck. She pulls out.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
 She knows I have a major migraine.

She holds his hand and they head into her room.

INT. ELOWEN'S ROOM - NIGHT

They head in, Elowen pushes Scout on her bed and gets on him. She grinds on his crotch and then he spoons her and grinds on her slowly. She bites her lip as she holds his head for support.

ELOWEN
You brought condoms right?

SCOUT
Uh...wasn't sure it was a booty
call.

Elowen turns and looks at him.

ELOWEN
Give me your hand.

He takes her hand.

SCOUT
Where are we going?

ELOWEN
I wanna show you something.

They get off the bed and walk to an indoor pool.

SCOUT
Wow!

ELOWEN
You ain't seen nothing yet.

She takes a remote and presses a button. The whole room is
luminated by stars.

SCOUT
Wow...

ELOWEN
These are for my brothers.

She presses. It turns into erotic colours. She gets closer to
him and moves her fore finger playfully on his chest.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
(Seductively)
These are for me.

She whispers.

Mom has no idea...

She playfully bites his right ear, she presses another button and slow pop music plays. She turns and dances seductively as he is behind her, he holds her waist, and she leans onto him and continues dancing to the music. He breathes on her bare neck, her mouth slightly open.

She walks to the pool.

WE SEE HER BARE BACK AS SHE TAKES HER BRA OFF.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

Care to join me.

(Few seconds later)

He swims to her, on a edge.

INT. INDOOR SWIMMING POOL - NIGHT

He moves closer to her body. She breathes out heavily.

ELOWEN

I don't know where this is gonna
take us but I hope this won't be
the last.

Scout places a kiss on her and they go with a systematic rhythm. He raises her hands in the air and touches them seductively.

(Slow Motion)

THE CAMERA ZOOMS OUT AS WE SEE ELOWEN HOLD THE POOL LADDER FOR SUPPORT, SCOUT BEHIND HER DOING THE WORK.

She arcs her head for easy access to her neck. He gives in.

She turns around and wraps her legs around his torso. And now she jumps up and down.

THE CAMERA GETS UNDER WATER AND WE SEE FOUR BARE LIMBS FLOATING.

(End of Slow motion)

WE SEE THEM BESIDE THE POOL TREMBLING, A RUG COVERING BOTH OF THEIR BODIES.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

That was amazing.

SCOUT

Yeah.

She nods cheerfully. She holds his hand and kisses them.

ELOWEN

(Licks her lips)

I got suspended...because I broke into the principals office on his off hours and announced a gymnastic funds for nationals. We are not going to the nationals. We never have enough funds.

SCOUT

Wow getting suspended for doing the right thing?

She shakes her head.

ELOWEN

Well...I also did a live and twerked on his office table and colored the whole place with my baby brother's paint.

He chuckles.

SCOUT

OK...

ELOWEN

How about you, what's your story? What is a handsome man like you doing giving sub urban haircuts.

He chuckles again.

SCOUT

Maybe some other time.

ELOWEN

Mh....(sighs) I also called you here because um...

He caresses her cheek.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)

I am going to summer school.

SCOUT

What?

ELOWEN

Only for a couple of weeks.

SCOUT
Like you didn't make the cut or
what?

ELOWEN
Oh I did...it's part of my
punishment.

SCOUT
Damn...

ELOWEN
It'll only be a few weeks. I
promise.

She cups his face.
While I am gone, will you wait for
me?

SCOUT
Yeah absolutely.

ELOWEN
The we can figure this out.

He nods with a smile. She bites her lip and gets closer to
him and cuddle.
(One month later)

EXT. AIRPORT - DAY

ELOWEN RUNS TOWARDS SCOUT AND THEY HUG.

SCOUT
I got out from the barbershop right
after your call.

ELOWEN
Great, let's get out of here.

She kisses him on the cheek.

He holds her hand and carries her luggage. They get on his
motorbike and leave.

EXT. PARK - DAY

They park the bike and sit on a bench as they have ice cream.

SCOUT
How was it?

ELOWEN

Horrible.

Scout cringes.

SCOUT

Well if it helps, it was lonely
without you.

WE SEE A MID 20'S WOMAN RUN WITH TWO HOUND DOGS.

She stops at the bench.

FRANCINE

Scout?

SCOUT

Francine?

Elowen looks at him with a questioning expression.

Francine is a fit Brazilian, her hair in a pony tail wearing
gym wear.

FRANCINE

(Nods in satisfaction)

I see you're out.

SCOUT

Thank goodness. I see you have new
dogs.

FRANCINE

Yeah more feisty, for
protection(emphasizes) I also have
a self defense class.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS TO FEW OLD WOMEN STRETCHING AND THROWING AIR
PUNCHES.

SCOUT

Looks like everything worked out.

She looks at Elowen.

A tall muscled black guy runs towards Francine with a water
bottle.

GREG

Hey, everything good?

Francine nods.

GREG (CONT'D)
OK. let's keep going.

They run towards the older women.

Scout looks at Elowen.

ELOWEN
Well...

SCOUT
(Sighs)
You asked what are my vices, my
story, how did I end up becoming a
sub urban barber?

WE SEE THEM ON THE BIKE ON THE HIGHWAY.

SCOUT (V.O) (CONT'D)
Francine was my ex, an ex that I
bet up almost to death.

ELOWEN (V.O)
What actually happened?

SCOUT (V.O)
I was impulsive, but she cheated,
several times with the same guy.

ELOWEN (V.O)
That black guy?

SCOUT (V.O)
No, a freaking military officer. It
was horrible, sure I had nothing,
but that wasn't it.

ELOWEN (V.O)
So...

SCOUT (V.O)
We just lost connection, she
ofcourse screwing a militarist gave
her power and sued me, got 3 years
in prison, being an ex-convict, no
one wants to hire you.

ELOWEN (V.O)
Except a barbershop.

SCOUT (V.O)
Mh...you know what I like about you
Elowen?

ELOWEN (V.O)

Yeah?

SCOUT

You are resilient, maybe if I had enough for school, I would've finished high school.

They stop at the gate.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

(Salutes)

I'll see you around beautiful.

He winks.

ELOWEN

See you around handsome.

He drives off.

She heads inside.

INT. DEVON HIGH SCHOOL - NIGHT

WE SEE SCOUT AND ELOWEN GET IN WEARING ELEGANTLY.

ELOWEN

Thank you for escorting me to prom.

SCOUT

No problem I got you.

They get in the room.

Ford is in an elegant suit. A male friend taps him.

FRIEND

Yoh look.

FORD

(Narrows his eyes)

Wait isn't that the guy from Elowen's party.

FRIEND

Yeah probably a senior.

FORD

Nah, nah.

He grabs a drink and walks slowly towards their direction.

FRIEND

I think I need another drink.

Ford gets close to ear's aid.

ELOWEN

I am just going to the rest room,
I'll be right back.

A guy with a Mohawk recognizes Scout.

MOHAWK GUY

Yoh, I recognize you.

SCOUT

What?

MOHAWK GUY

Yeah, yeah you're from that
barbershop, my brother always goes
there. I gotta say you're work is
legit man.

Ford smirks and nods and steps in.

FORD

Yoh you're a barber?

MOHAWK GUY

Yeah that place is legit man.

FORD

She left me for a barber?

MOHAWK GUY

You should try it.

FORD

Shut up man!

MOHAWK GUY

Yeah, yeah whatever.

He walks away.

SCOUT

No, she left you because you're
arrogant.

FORD

You do not want to start a fight
with me.

SCOUT
You're right I don't.

FORD
Hey every look! Elowen is dating a barber!!!! How is that for prom night!

The crowd spreads and Elowen's stands holding her dress in despair. She walks towards Ford and Scout in anger, the crowd's eyes escorting her as she walks.

ELOWEN
You are a fucking coward, I don't even know why I went out with you. We are not on a break, we are fucking done. Don't talk to a man who is wayyyy more gentle to me than you ever was.

She holds Scout hand and they get out of the room.

FORD
See...she can't even think straight! A barber over me?!

People go about their business ignoring him.

A female voice behind him.

VOICE
(Seductively)
I'd choose you.

He smiles.

FORD
Well, well, well...

EXT. SCHOOL - NIGHT

They sit outside.

ELOWEN
I am sorry about what happened back there.

SCOUT
Nah it's OK, I am used to taking blows for my work.

ELOWEN
(Clicks her tongue)
Wanna get out of here?

SCOUT
But the prom.

ELOWEN
Screw the prom.

They get up and walk on the empty road.

SCOUT
You know some might think, you're a
pretty little rich bitch when they
first meet you.

ELOWEN
But...?

SCOUT
But you're a really nice person
once they get to know you.

Elowen smiles.

ELOWEN
Wow a compliment, you should throw
them more often.

SCOUT
I don't?

Elowen shakes her head as she smiles. She sees a car driving
towards them. She gets in front of the car and opens her
arms.

SCOUT (CONT'D)
Elowen what are you doing?!!!

He runs and hugs her, the car spirals and speeds an inch from
them and regained momentum. The driver curses.

DRIVER
Get off the damn road.

Elowen chuckles.

SCOUT
Are you crazy???!

ELOWEN
My hero...

She hugs him and he pulls away.

SCOUT
He could've hit you.

She shrugs.

ELOWEN
But he didn't.

SCOUT
He could've, what was I going to
tell your mother?

ELOWEN
(Tearly)
You do care about me, you passed
the test.

SCOUT
What fucking test??

ELOWEN
Me being with you, I want to make
sure the person I am with, isn't a
total piece of shit that doesn't
give a damn about me.

SCOUT
(Massages his temple)
Oh my God! You need therapy!

He walks away.

ELOWEN
No, I need you.

She hugs him.

SCOUT
Look, I have my demons and so do
you, but the risk taker in you, I
don't completely admire.

ELOWEN
OK, OK, I'm sorry.

SCOUT
Promise you will never make me feel
like that again?

ELOWEN
(Curious)
Like what?

SCOUT
Like I am going to loose someone
important in my life again.

ELOWEN
Oh sweetie.

She kisses him tenderly.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
I promise.

She gets on his back and they walk towards home.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
How come I've never been to your
place?

SCOUT
Because it's not mine. I am saving
up for my own.

ELOWEN
Can I ask you a question?

SCOUT
Yeah?

ELOWEN
How do you know I won't be like
Francine?

SCOUT
I don't.

ELOWEN
Then why are you going out with me?

SCOUT
(Sarcasm)
Oh I am?

Elowen slaps his back tease fully.

ELOWEN
It's a serious question.

SCOUT
I can't trust that you won't cheat
on me, I can trust that I'll handle
it better than I did three years
ago.

Elowen nods.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

And you? What makes you think I won't be a douchey boyfriend?

ELOWEN

Cause you're not a bad person.

SCOUT

That's all?

ELOWEN

Yeah, you're selfish, you practically blanketed me on the road.

SCOUT

OK, sweet.

ELOWEN

Have you ever had an ex run back to you?

SCOUT

Nah, you'll be the first though.

ELOWEN

(Mimics a male voice)
Yeah just hype yourself up.

SCOUT

God my back is killing me.

ELOWEN

I'm not getting off.

SCOUT

I am not asking you to.

He swings her to his front and now they face each other. She looks at his lips.

ELOWEN

You know my mother will definitely question how the prom ended so fast.

SCOUT

What's your idea.

WE SEE THEM SNEAK INTO A SPARE CAR OUTSIDE A HOUSE GIGGLING.

ELOWEN

Shshhh...

He takes off his pants, Elowen's head is slightly outside the window. The car makes a squeaky sound.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Shsshhhhh.

SCOUT
(Speaks through his teeth)
I am trying...
(Moments Later)

INT. SPARE CAR - NIGHT

Elowen sleeps on top of Scout.

ELOWEN
Oh you're fantastic.

SCOUT
This was fantastic, I am glad Jo quit.

Elowen's phone chimes. She takes a look.

ELOWEN
Oh my God, I won prom queen.

SCOUT
Wow, that's great.

ELOWEN
Ford is still King, not news. Oh...

She watches a video.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
He's kissing a senior? Really?

Scout grabs her face.

SCOUT
That shouldn't matter.

He kisses her passionately.

SCOUT (CONT'D)
To the satisfied prom queen.

ELOWEN
You betcha.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS OUT OF THE CAR TO THE SKY.

EXT. MANCHESTER'S GATE - NIGHT

WE SEE ELOWEN LETTING SCOUT IN.

Elowen kisses him tenderly.

SCOUT
(Pulls out)
I feel like a rebel.

ELOWEN
(Seductively)
Maybe cause you are.

She holds his hand and they head in through the back door.

They get in and Scout turns her around and they kiss.

Elowen unbuckles his belt. They speak and kiss simultaneously.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
I missed you, you know that?

SCOUT
Mh, me too.

He checks his surrounding.
Any one here?

He takes off his jacket.

She stops kissing him.

ELOWEN
No, no, mom is in Australia with
the boys.

She drops off his pants. She walks backwards to the kitchen,
Scout in front of her.

SCOUT
You didn't go?

ELOWEN
No, no, they miss EUGENE(50)

He takes off his t-shirt.

SCOUT
Who's Eugene?

ELOWEN
Mom's second husband, Oliver and
Zac's dad.

She touches his chest tenderly.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Probably be back before Christmas.

She whispers.
Take advantage.

She bites his ear seductively.

WE SEE THEM GET INTIMATE ON THE COUCH, IN THE KITCHEN TABLE,
ON THE FLOOR, AND ON HER BED.

She holds the bed sheets for support as Scout is on top of
her. Scout groans aggressively. Elowen gives out a "mhh"
sound. He moves aside.

SCOUT
Wow.

ELOWEN
Best horny days of my life.

She sits on top of him. She places her hand over her nipples.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
Can I say something?

SCOUT
(Attentive)
Yeah.

ELOWEN
This might sound a little offensive
but a 27 year old cock is
definitely better than a 19 year
old one.

SCOUT
(Blushes)
Definitely.

The door bell chimes.

They look at each other.

ELOWEN
I'll get that.

She takes his t-shirt and gets downstairs.

Scout gets in his pants and follows slowly.

He sees Elowen talk to the mailman. The mail man stares at her body and she closes the door.

ELOWEN (CONT'D)
See it was just the mail man.

SCOUT
He saw you naked.

ELOWEN
No, you saw me naked. He saw me in your t-shirt and my underwear.

He massages his temple.

SCOUT
I gotta go check out this apartment, I'll check you later.

ELOWEN
Really so soon? You're not staying for breakfast.

SCOUT
Nah plus I got an afternoon shift back at the shop.

She nods.

ELOWEN
See you later baby.

He nods.

SCOUT
Now can I please have my t-shirt?

ELOWEN
Not if you can catch me.

She runs to the backyard. He follows.

WE SEE AN OLD WOMAN WORKING ON HER ORCHID ON HER BALCONY NEXT DOOR, SHE SPOTS THEM.

They giggle and laugh.
(Next Morning)

INT. MANCHESTER'S FRONT DOOR - DAY

Elowen walks to the door. She opens it.

ELOWEN
 Mom, dad, Eugene???? You're four
 days early.

Dad is a modest bold man with a dad bod.

Eugene is a tall overweight man with slightly grey hair.

MELANIE
 Where is he?

ELOWEN
 Who?

MELANIE
 The neighbor said she saw you with
 a man.

ELOWEN
 What so I am not allowed to have a
 boyfriend now?

Melanie slaps her and gets inside.

EUGENE
 Melanie take it easy.

MELANIE
 It's my house Elowen, it goes by my
 rules. If they're is a man, I need
 to know. Is it Ford?

ELOWEN
 No!Mom, I broke up with him ages
 ago.

As she holds her face.

DAD
 Melanie you called me because she
 is having the time of her life as a
 teenager?? Really?

MELANIE
 She's your daughter FELIX(52), you
 talk to her.

Melanie goes upstairs with Zac and Oliver.

EUGENE
 I am just gonna grab a drink.

When they all scatter, Elowen hugs Felix tenderly.

ELOWEN
Dad I missed you.

FELIX
Me too pumpkin, now whose this boy.

She blushes.

ELOWEN
This guy...

FELIX
You don't have to tell me the
details, do you like him?

She nods.

FELIX (CONT'D)
Does he make you happy?

She nods.

FELIX (CONT'D)
Then that's all it matters. Men
when your mother told me you got
yourself in trouble I left the
garage in a second just to get
here. Just to hear you have a
boyfriend? Now what's wrong with
that?

ELOWEN
(She hugs him)
You're cool daddy.

FELIX
Now that's what got your mother to
divorce me and get up with this
fancy guy in three months.

ELOWEN
Oh come on dad, you're marriage was
long gone, before he existed.

FELIX
Yeah but I didn't get married, she
did.

Melanie drops from upstairs.

MELANIE
I had a quick talk with Eugene and
we want to meet this fella.

ELOWEN

Mom, no!

MELANIE

He came to my house, he better be ready to meet the me.

Elowen rolls her eyes.

FELIX

Don't you worry munchkin I am right by your side.
(One hour later)

Elowen opens the door and Scout gets inside holding roses.

SCOUT

Hey darling, I got the apartment.

ELOWEN

Hey.

She kisses him on the cheek.

SCOUT

That's unnatural of you.

Felix, Melanie and Eugene come out of the kitchen.

MELANIE

Oh you son of a bitch.

She walks towards him and almost slaps him when Eugene stops her.

MELANIE (CONT'D)

You are never ever going to lay a finger on my boys ever again.

SCOUT

I understand Mrs. Manchester but I love her.

MELANIE

She's 19! You took advantage of her feebleness.

ELOWEN

(Cries)
No mom stop! It wasn't his fault.

MELANIE

Of course it was. For goodness sake he's, how old are you?

SCOUT
Turning 28 this year ma'am.

MELANIE
Mh, a fucking nine year gap. Screw
you!

Felix and Eugene look at each other.

ELOWEN
Actually eight mom, I am turning 20
this year.

FELIX
(To Eugene)
You're the good husband say
something here.

EUGENE
What no! She is your daughter.

Elowen holds Scout's arm.

FELIX
Listen boy, I got nothing against
you, you seem liken a good guy,
just don't break her heart, now
then we gonna have a problem.

EUGENE
I am sure we can resolve this as
mature adults, honey please just
calm down.

MELANIE
You know what Elowen? I don't care
who you're with just respect my
house and you(to Scout) I don't
wanna see you ever again my home.

Scout nods.

SCOUT
I understand.

MELANIE
(Tearfully)
No you don't understand that's my
daughter you're with.

SCOUT
And I promise to look after her.

MELANIE

Oh you do?

She looks at Felix and Eugene.

MELANIE (CONT'D)

OK, then you clearly don't know my daughter very well. Live with her.

SCOUT

Huh?

MELANIE

Live with her, two weeks and if you're tired of her annoying little teenage tantrums and episodes, I'll let you go out with her. Bring her back on new years.

Eugene whispers.

EUGENE

And on Christmas.

MELANIE

Yeah, I assure you, you won't be liking her very much after this.

SCOUT

Ma'am I don't think that's necessary.

EUGENE

Yeah don't you think you're taking it too far.

MELANIE

He took it too far when he went out with my daughter behind my back.

She gets upstairs and comes back quickly with a suitcase and places it in front of Elowen.

MELANIE (CONT'D)

(Smiles)

See yuh.

ELOWEN

Dad say something!

Melanie gives him a death look.

FELIX

Listen sweetie.

ELOWEN

(Mad)

Mh...

She holds Scout and they leave.

INT. SCOUT'S APARTMENT - DAY
(Fast Motion)

WE SEE SCOUT VACUUMING THE LIVING ROOM, AS ELOWEN READS A MAGAZINE ON THE COUCH HER LEGS EXTENDED ON THE TABLE.

WE SEE SCOUT WASHING THE UTENSILS AS ELOWEN TALKS TO HIM(INAUDIBLE).

WE SEE ELOWEN TAKE SCOUT'S SHIRT OFF AS THEY HEAD TO THE ROOM.

WE SEE SILHOUETTES OF SCOUT AND ELOWEN IN THE SHOWER MAKING LOVE.

(End of Fast Motion)

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

Scout appears.

SCOUT

Babe I brought dinner.

Elowen sits on the kitchen table crying.

SCOUT (CONT'D)

Hey baby what's wrong?

ELOWEN

I don't know I just(sniffles) I don't know I just, I just fell and I... it hurts.

She shows him her ankle.

Scout quickly checks the drawers for a first aid kit and helps her.

SCOUT

Why didn't you call me? Or 911?

ELOWEN

You were at work, I didn't wanna bother you and 911? My mother would win.

Scout hugs her.

SCOUT
It's OK, baby, it's OK.

ELOWEN
Scout?

SCOUT
Mh?

ELOWEN
Am I bearable?

SCOUT
No, honey, you're the love of my
life.

They hug.

(Fast Motion)

WE SEE SCOUT VACUUM, ELOWEN'S LEGS ON THE TABLE.
(End of Fast Motion)

SCOUT (CONT'D)
(Tiredly)
Elowen your legs.

ELOWEN
Oops, sorry, hey what's for dinner?

SCOUT
What?

ELOWEN
(Excitedly)
What's for dinner.

Scout holds his composure.

SCOUT
Listen Elowen...I don't know what's
for dinner, I just got back from
work I am exhausted... I am here
cleaning and you're there sitting.

ELOWEN
Well?

SCOUT
What I'm trying to say is we both
use this apartment the least you
can do is I don't know help around.

ELOWEN
Should've gotten house clean
service.

SCOUT
Fuck you're mother was right.

ELOWEN
What?

SCOUT
You're a spoiled brat Elowen, I
love you but you need to know
that!!!

ELOWEN
Oh... OK. I'll just go to the room
now.

(Next morning)

WE SEE ELOWEN DOING THE LAUNDRY AS SHE LOOKS AT THE BOILING
KETTLE.

Scout gets out of the room.

SCOUT
(Stretches)
Wow.

ELOWEN
(Excitedly)
Morning!

SCOUT
Morning, what's all this?

She walks towards him and kiss.

ELOWEN
This is me, doing better...

Scout nods.

SCOUT
Gee sorry about coming at you
yesterday.

ELOWEN
No, I needed the wake up call.

Scout side smiles.

INT. THE MANCHESTER'S - TABLE - DAY

THE CAMERA REVOLVES AROUND THE TABLE, WHERE MELANIE, EUGENE, OLIVER, ZAC, ELOWEN AND SCOUT SIT TOGETHER.

EUGENE
(Raises his glass)
Happy new year's.

EVERYONE
Happy new year's.

EUGENE
Scout were are your parents? They aren't visiting?

SCOUT
I don't know, I grew up in an orphanage which sponsored my education until high school then I was on my own.

Elowen holds his hand for comfort.

MELANIE
So Scout, how is it like living with my daughter?

SCOUT
Heaven and hell, but at the very end we pushed through.

MELANIE
Mh...and you still wanna go out with her after everything?

He kisses her hand.

SCOUT
Absolutely, that just means their are parts of her I still need to get to know.

EUGENE
What you gonna say now Melanie?

MELANIE
Bring my daughter home and...

ELOWEN
And...

MELANIE
You can go out with her.

ELOWEN AND SCOUT

Yes!

MELANIE

Just...be careful.

SCOUT

Of course, of course.

EUGENE

Welcome to the family son!

OLIVER

(Shouts)

I want Ice-cream!

ZAC

Me too, me too!

They stand up and run to the kitchen.

WE SEE THE FAMILY PLAY IN THE BACKYARD AND DANCE, ELOWEN DOES SOME GYMNASTICS AND KISSES SCOUT, MELANIE KISSES EUGENE, ZAC AND OLIVER CLOSE THEIR EYES.

THE CAMERA ZOOMS OUT OF THE BACKYARD TO THE SKY.

FADE OUT.

