



# House of Dreams Redux

Part 3

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HAHA... GIRLFRIEND?  
NO, I DON'T HAVE A  
GIRLFRIEND.

YOU DON'T  
LIKE GIRLS?

MAYBE HE  
HAS A  
BOYFRIEND.

THAT'S COOL.  
YOU'RE ALLOWED TO  
HAVE AN ALTERNATIVE  
LIFESTYLE.

WE'RE  
VERY OPEN  
MINDED.

NO, I  
MEAN...

EXCUSE  
ME, GIRLS...





UNLESS I'M  
MISTAKEN, YOU BOTH  
HAVE A BUS TO CATCH,  
DON'T YOU?

YES, MRS.  
GIBSON.

YOU DON'T  
WANT TO MISS IT.  
OFF YOU GO.



HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND, AND I'LL SEE YOU MONDAY.

BYE, MRS. GIBSON.  
BYE, NEW KID.

SEE YA.







I SEE YOU MAKE FRIENDS  
EASILY, JON. I'M MRS.  
GIBSON, AND WELCOME TO MY  
CLASS.

UM...  
THANKS, MRS.  
GIBSON.



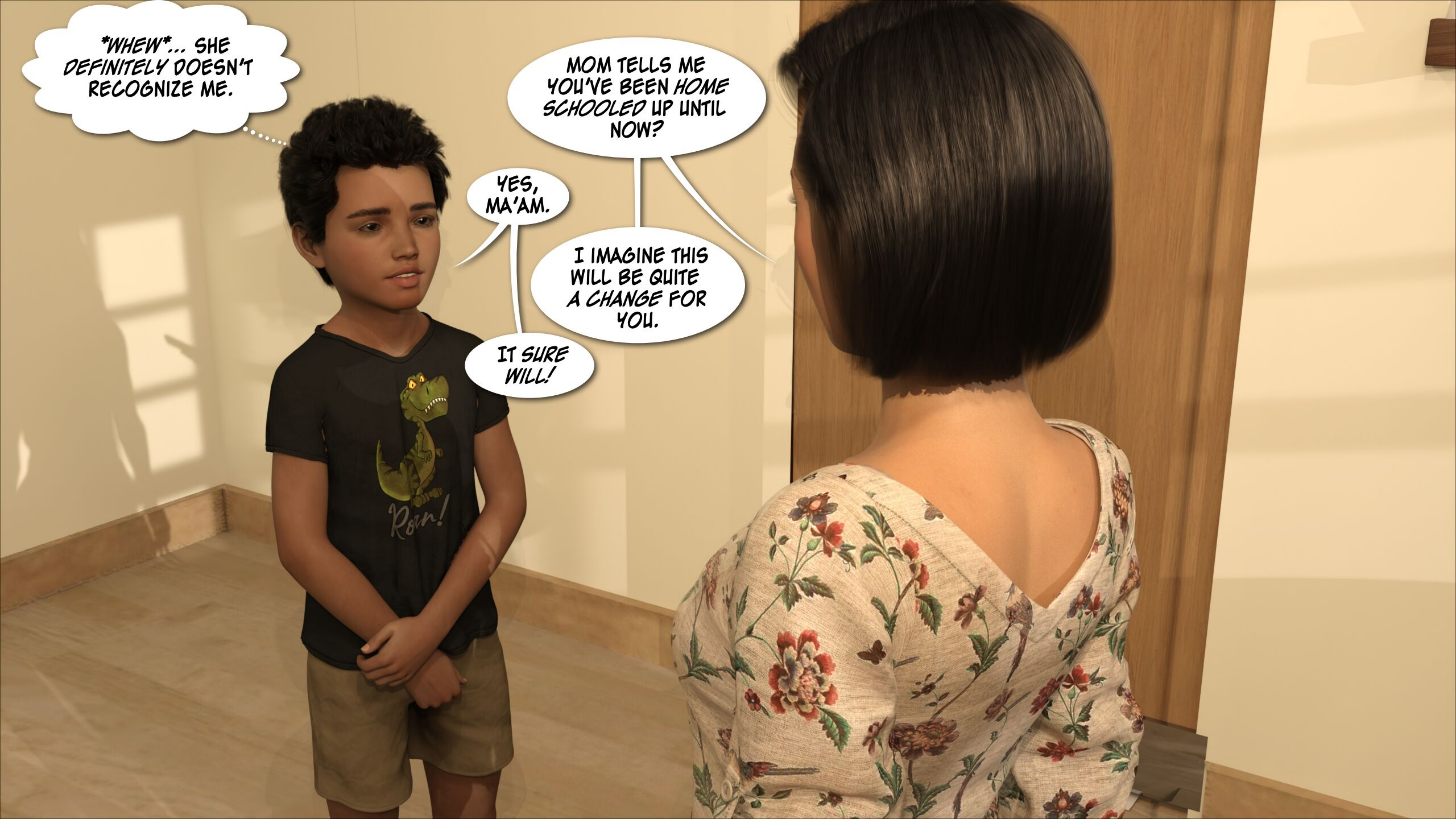
*\*WHEW\*... SHE  
DEFINITELY DOESN'T  
RECOGNIZE ME.*

MOM TELLS ME  
YOU'VE BEEN HOME  
SCHOOLED UP UNTIL  
NOW?

YES,  
MA'AM.

I IMAGINE THIS  
WILL BE QUITE  
A CHANGE FOR  
YOU.

IT SURE  
WILL!







ARE YOU GOING TO  
BE TAKING THE SCHOOL  
BUS?

UH HUH. IT  
PICKED MY SISTER UP  
RIGHT IN FRONT OF  
OUR HOUSE.

VERY GOOD. OH,  
AND TRY NOT TO USE SLANG  
IN CLASS. IT'S NOT  
PROPER GRAMMAR.

YES, MA'AM. I'LL  
TRY TO REMEMBER  
THAT.





YOU'LL DO FINE. NOW, I'M  
SURE MOM HAS YOU ALL READY  
FOR FIFTH GRADE...

...BUT SINCE YOU'VE BEEN  
HOME SCHOOLED, YOU ARE  
REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AN  
ONLINE STANDARDIZED  
TEST.

THERE'S NOTHING TO  
BE ALARMED ABOUT, JON.  
IT'S JUST AN APTITUDE  
TEST.

I HAVE A TEST  
ALREADY?

OK, I  
GUESS THAT  
DOESN'T SOUND  
TOO BAD.





IT ISN'T. WHY DON'T  
YOU TAKE A LOOK  
AROUND? THERE ARE NO  
ASSIGNED SEATS.

I NEED TO GO OVER  
A FEW THINGS WITH MOM,  
AND THEN YOU'RE FREE TO  
GO.

THANKS,  
MRS. GIBSON.






WHEN DOES JON  
NEED TO COMPLETE  
THE *ONLINE EXAM*?

HE CAN DO IT *THIS  
AFTERNOON*. I'LL GIVE YOU  
THE PACKET WITH THE LINK TO IT,  
AS WELL AS SOME *FORMS*  
FOR YOU TO SIGN.

I CAN SIGN THE  
FORMS NOW, IF YOU  
LIKE.

SURE,  
THAT'S FINE.





ONE OF THE FORMS IS FOR  
SEXUAL EDUCATION. THAT  
MODULE BEGINS ON MONDAY, IF  
YOU CONSENT TO IT.

OF COURSE. IT SAVES ME  
THE EMBARRASSMENT OF  
TALKING TO HIM ABOUT THAT  
STUFF.

THAT IS A  
VERY COMMON  
SENTIMENT.



THE KIDS ARE EXCITED ABOUT IT. OF COURSE, I'M PREPARED FOR PLENTY OF GIGGLING.


I'M SURE.

THIS WON'T BE TOO BAD. I'M GLAD MRS. GIBSON IS MY TEACHER... CINDY, I MEAN.

## Today's schedule

- Working with numbers
- American History
- Break time





I SURE WAS IN LOVE  
WITH HER IN HIGH SCHOOL.  
I KNOW I'LL LIKE HER AS  
MY TEACHER.

I CAN'T GET OVER  
HOW TALL SHE IS NOW... TO  
ME, ANYWAY. I USED TO  
TOWER OVER HER.

WHAT ARE YA'  
IN FOR, KID?





IN  
FOR?

I DIDN'T DO  
ANYTHING. I'M  
STARTING SCHOOL AND I  
JUST CAME TO MEET  
MY TEACHER.

IS THAT WHY  
YOU'RE HERE? FOR  
DETENTION?

SURE. YOU'RE IN  
DETENTION, AREN'T YOU? THAT'S  
YOUR MOM, RIGHT? WHAT DID YOU  
DO? COME ON, YOU CAN TELL  
ME.






HAHA... I DON'T GET INTO TROUBLE! ALSO, THIS ISN'T MY CLASS. I'M IN SIXTH GRADE.

I JUST CAME HERE TO FINISH MY HOMEWORK, AND GET A RIDE HOME FROM MY MOM.

OH... MRS. GIBSON'S YOUR MOM?





GOOD DEDUCTIVE  
REASONING, KID. MY NAME'S  
RUTHIE. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

JON. I BET MIDDLE  
SCHOOL'S A LOT  
DIFFERENT FROM  
SHOEMAKER.

YOU AIN'T  
KIDDING.



RUTHIE'S NOT  
ONE OF MY STUDENTS.  
SHE'S IN MIDDLE  
SCHOOL.

IT RUNS IN THE  
FAMILY. SHE'S  
MINE.

JON MET ANOTHER OF  
YOUR STUDENTS. IT'S NICE  
TO SEE HIM MAKING  
FRIENDS.

MIDDLE  
SCHOOL? OH MY,  
SHE'S TINY!







I CAN SEE THE RESEMBLANCE. SHE'S ADORABLE! JON LOOKS QUITE TAKEN BY HER.

MY DANA WAS WHEN SHE WAS ELEVEN TOO. MAYBE WE CAN GET OUR KIDS TOGETHER SOMETIME.

THANKS. RUTHIE'S ELEVEN, GOING ON EIGHTEEN, AND QUITE THE HANDFUL.

SURE, IF RUTHIE CAN PENCIL US IN TO HER BUSY SCHEDULE.





I'LL ASK HER. I  
DON'T THINK SHE HAS  
ANY PLANS.

I'LL GIVE  
YOU MY NUMBER.  
YOU CAN CALL ME  
ANY TIME.

IF SHE'S FREE  
TOMORROW, MAYBE  
THEY CAN HAVE A PLAY  
DATE.

GREAT! I'LL ASK  
JON, AND LET YOU  
KNOW.