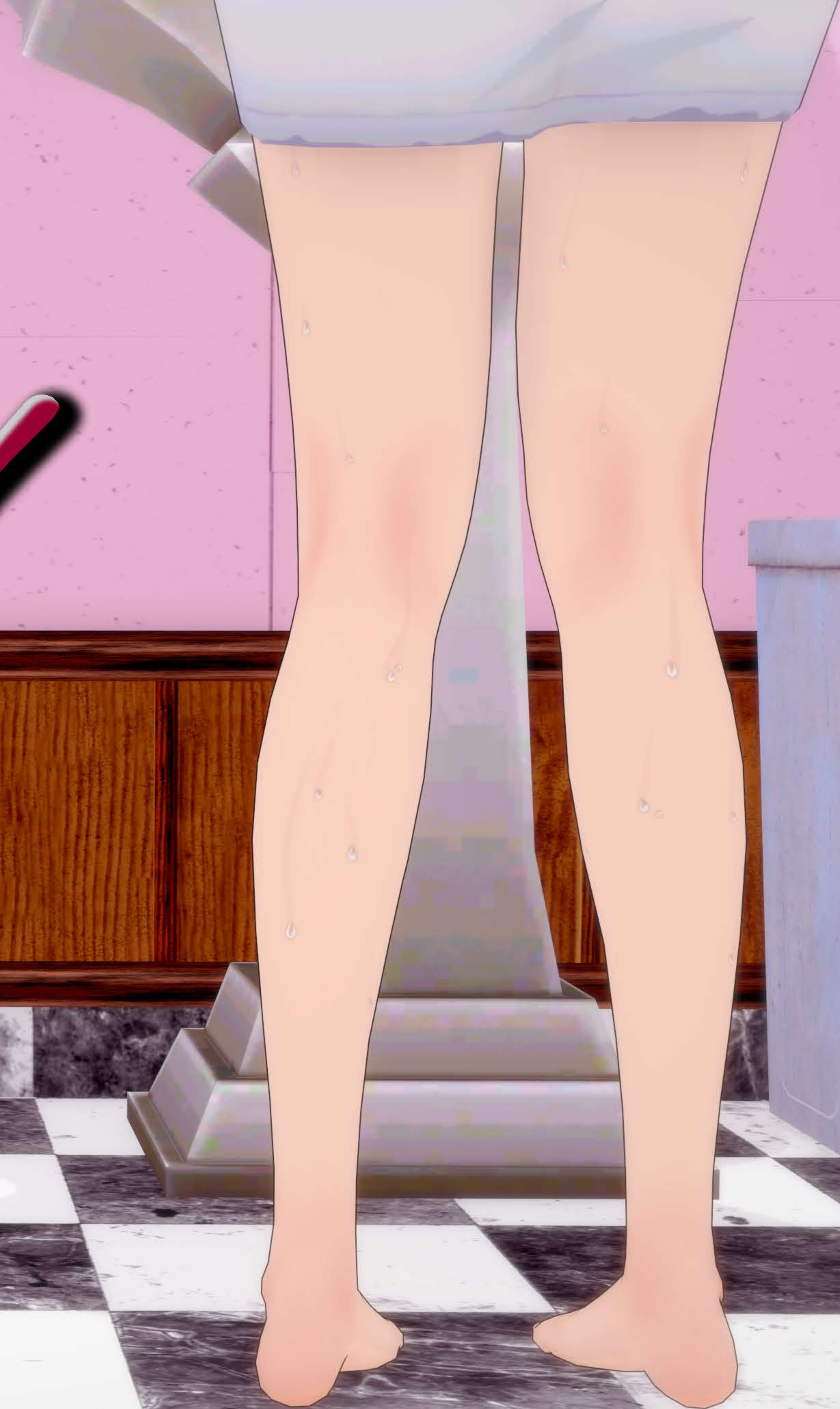


RUNAWAY

CHAPTER-10

BY IZUMISAN





I THOUGHT YOU TWO HAD ALREADY MET.

NO.. I MEAN WE'VE SEEN EACH OTHER AROUND A FEW TIMES, BUT WE HAVEN'T PROPERLY MET.

BY THE WAY, MIA...

DID ALICE TELL YOU ABOUT OUR HOUSE PARTY?

HOUSE-PARTY?

YEAH, ACTUALLY, WE'RE HAVING A HOUSE PARTY THIS WEEKEND AT MY PLACE..

ALICE AND JULIA WILL BE THERE TOO, AND WE'RE ALSO INVITING SOME OTHER STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL. IT'LL BE GREAT IF YOU JOIN US. YOU KNOW, YOU CAN MEET OTHER STUDENTS THERE AND MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS.

HMM, AND WHAT ABOUT YOUR UNCLE AND BETTY? HAVE YOU TAKEN PERMISSION FROM THEM?

FUCK... HE MUST HAVE TOLD HER ABOUT ALICE AND JULIA, BUT THERE'S NO WAY I'M GOING TO THESE KIDS' HOUSE PARTY.

I'M SURPRISED SHE GAVE PERMISSION FOR THIS. WELL, THAT'S GOOD. HOPE THERE WON'T BE ANY ALCOHOL AT THE PARTY.

UGH... WHY CAN'T SHE JUST SAY NO DIRECTLY? AHH... LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING.

ACTUALLY, THIS WEEKEND UNCLE IS GOING OUT OF TOWN, AND I'VE ALREADY GOT PERMISSION FROM BETTY.

NO, IT'S JUST A NORMAL PARTY. AND DON'T WORRY, MIA'S FRIENDS WILL BE THERE TOO, SO SHE'LL HAVE PLENTY OF COMPANY.





THANKS JACK!
I'D LOVE TO COME, BUT...

HUH! WHAT IS HE DOING?

GRAB

GRAB



OHH... IT'S FINE...
YOU'RE STILL INVITED, THOUGH.
IF YOUR PLANS CHANGE OR ANYTHING,
YOU CAN JOIN US.

HAHA.. NO PROBLEM.
ANYWAY, I SHOULD HEAD TO THE FIELD
NOW. IF THE COACH DOESN'T SEE ME
OUT THERE, HE'LL BE PRETTY UPSET.
IT WAS NICE MEETING YOU THOUGH.
SEE YOU AROUND!

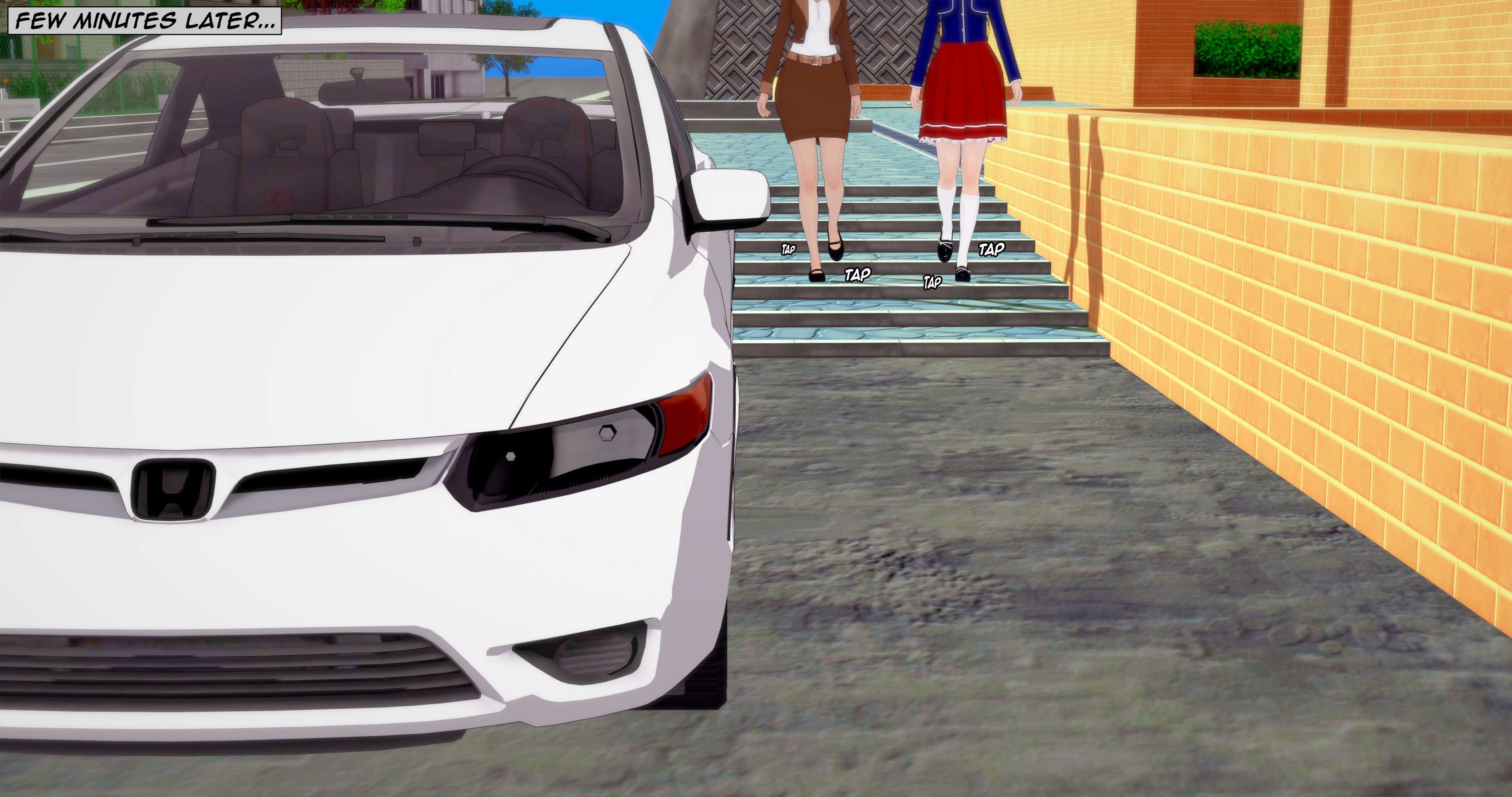
TRYING TO BE
SMARTASS... HUH..

I ALREADY PROMISED CLARA THAT,
THIS WEEKEND WE WOULD GO TO HER
AUNT'S PLACE TO SPEND TIME WITH HER.

UHH.. UMM... SURE...THAT..
THAT'S REALLY NICE OF YOU.

YEAH... UMM..
SEE YOU LATER!

FEW MINUTES LATER...



TAP

TAP

TAP

TAP

SO, YOU WANT TO GO TO MY AUNT'S PLACE THIS WEEKEND TOO?

HAHA, I KNOW, BUT I'M IMPRESSED THAT YOU'VE ALREADY MADE FRIENDS AT SCHOOL. WHAT ARE THEIR NAMES AGAIN? AHH... ALICE AND JULIA, RIGHT?

HMM... SMART MOVE, BUT WHAT'S WRONG IN CALLING THEM FRIENDS? DIDN'T YOU HAVE FEMALE FRIENDS IN HIGH SCHOOL?

JUST SHUT UP... YOU KNOW, I WAS LYING... ACCORDING TO THE DEAL WE MADE, I ONLY HAVE TO STAY THERE FOR TODAY.

UGH... THEY'RE NOT MY FRIENDS... IT'S JUST... THAT HANDLING CERTAIN SITUATIONS IN SCHOOL ISN'T EASY FOR ME RIGHT NOW. SO I... I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR ME TO STICK WITH THEM AT SCHOOL.


YEAH, I HAD... BUT THIS IS ALL DIFFERENT.



HMM... I BELIEVE IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO STOP SHARING EVERYTHING WITH EMMA.

AND WHAT EMMA WILL THINK WHEN SHE FINDS OUT I'M HANGING OUT WITH THESE KIDS.

HUH, WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



LOOK, SHE'S ALREADY BUSY WITH HER JOB THERE, AND I DON'T THINK TELLING HER ABOUT YOUR PROBLEMS HERE WOULD MEAN ANYTHING OTHER THAN GIVING HER A HEADACHE.

YEAH... NOW LET'S GO, WE'RE GETTING LATE. REMEMBER, TODAY YOU HAVE TO GO TO MY AUNT'S PLACE, FIRST I'LL DROP YOU THERE, AND THEN I HAVE TO CATCH MY FLIGHT.

JUST MAKE SURE MY AUNT DOESN'T FIND OUT YOUR REAL IDENTITY. OTHERWISE, WE'LL BOTH BE IN TROUBLE.

HMM... YOU'RE RIGHT I GUESS. THERE'S NO POINT IN BURDENING HER WITH ALL OF THIS.

HUH... AREN'T WE GOING HOME FIRST? I NEED TO PACK MY CLOTHES.

BUT CLARA...

UGH, FINE...

OH FUCK, I COMPLETELY FORGOT IN A RUSH... DON'T WORRY, I'LL TELL AUNT, SHE'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO WEAR.

BUT WHAT... YOU WANT US TO GO BACK HOME NOW? I'LL MISS MY FLIGHT. AHH... COME ON, IT'S ONLY FOR ONE DAY.

AFTER A WHILE...

DING

DONG



DING

DONG



OH CLARA!
YOU'RE HERE..

I'M DOING WELL DEAR,
THANK YOU FOR ASKING. AND WHO'S
THIS LOVELY YOUNG LADY WITH YOU?

H-HELLO,
MRS. MILLER...

HELLO AUNT!

HOW ARE YOU FEELING TODAY?

THIS IS MIA, I TOLD YOU
ABOUT HER, REMEMBER? SHE'S
THE ONE WHO LIVES WITH ME.



AH, SO YOU'RE MIA...
OH MY DEAR, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY
GORGEOUS!

CLARA HAS MENTIONED
YOU OFTEN. IT'S GOOD TO
FINALLY MEET YOU.



AWW, LOOK AT YOU BLUSHING!
HAHA... YOU MUST HAVE ALL THE BOYS
AT SCHOOL CHASING AFTER YOU!

BLUSHED



TH-THANK YOU...
IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU TOO...

WHY I'M BLUSHING! FUCK...
THIS IS SO EMBARRASSING!

ACTUALLY AUNT....

OF COURSE! YOU CAN LEAVE HER WITH ME. IT'LL BE NICE TO HAVE HER AROUND. THOUGH, I HOPE SHE WON'T FIND THE COMPANY OF AN OLD LADY LIKE ME TOO BORING!

I HAVE TO GO OUT OF TOWN FOR A DAY. SO, I THOUGHT I'D LEAVE MIA WITH YOU. IT'LL GIVE YOU SOME COMPANY, AND MIA'S SCHOOL IS NEARBY, SO IT WON'T BE A PROBLEM FOR HER TO GO TO SCHOOL EITHER.

HAHA... DON'T WORRY... I'M SURE SHE WILL LIKE IT HERE.



DID YOU BRING HER STRAIGHT FROM SCHOOL?

YEAH... I THOUGHT IF I DROP HER OFF HERE DIRECTLY FROM SCHOOL, IT WILL SAVE ME SOME TIME. BUT IN HURRY I FORGOT TO PACK HER STUFF.

OH... IT'S OKAY... COME MIA, LET ME SHOW YOU YOUR ROOM. YOU MUST BE TIRED FROM SCHOOL.



HERE!
YOU CAN STAY IN THIS ROOM.

TH-THIS ROOM...

WE ALSO HAVE A GUEST ROOM,
BUT I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE THIS ONE.



OH, CLARA TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR DAUGHTER... I'M SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS, MRS. MILLER.

THIS'S MY DAUGHTER'S ROOM. EVERY LITTLE THING YOU SEE, FROM THE TABLE TO THE PAINTS ON THE WALL, SHE PICKED OUT HERSELF. IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE SHE LEFT US, BUT

IT'S ALRIGHT... LOSING HER WAS THE HARDEST THING I'VE EVER FACED. BUT IN A WAY, KEEPING HER ROOM AS IT WAS HELPS ME FEEL LIKE SHE'S STILL CLOSE BY...



MRS. MILLER,
ARE YOU OKAY?

ARGH... THIS ROOM IS WAY
TOO GIRLISH... BUT IT WOULDN'T BE
RIGHT TO REFUSE TO STAY HERE;
SHE MIGHT FEEL BAD.

OH, I'M FINE, DEAR. I'M SORRY,
I GOT A BIT EMOTIONAL. MAYBE THIS ROOM
ISN'T YOUR STYLE. IF YOU WANT, YOU CAN
STAY IN THE GUEST ROOM INSTEAD.

NO, MRS. MILLER.
THIS ROOM IS... UH... LOVELY...
YEAH IT'S LOVELY! I'D LIKE TO
STAY HERE.

"LOVELY"... HOW DID THAT
WORD EVEN COME INTO MY MIND?

Ugh... IT'S ONLY BEEN
TWO DAYS WITH THOSE GIRLS AT
SCHOOL, AND I'M ALREADY STARTING
TO TALK LIKE THEM.

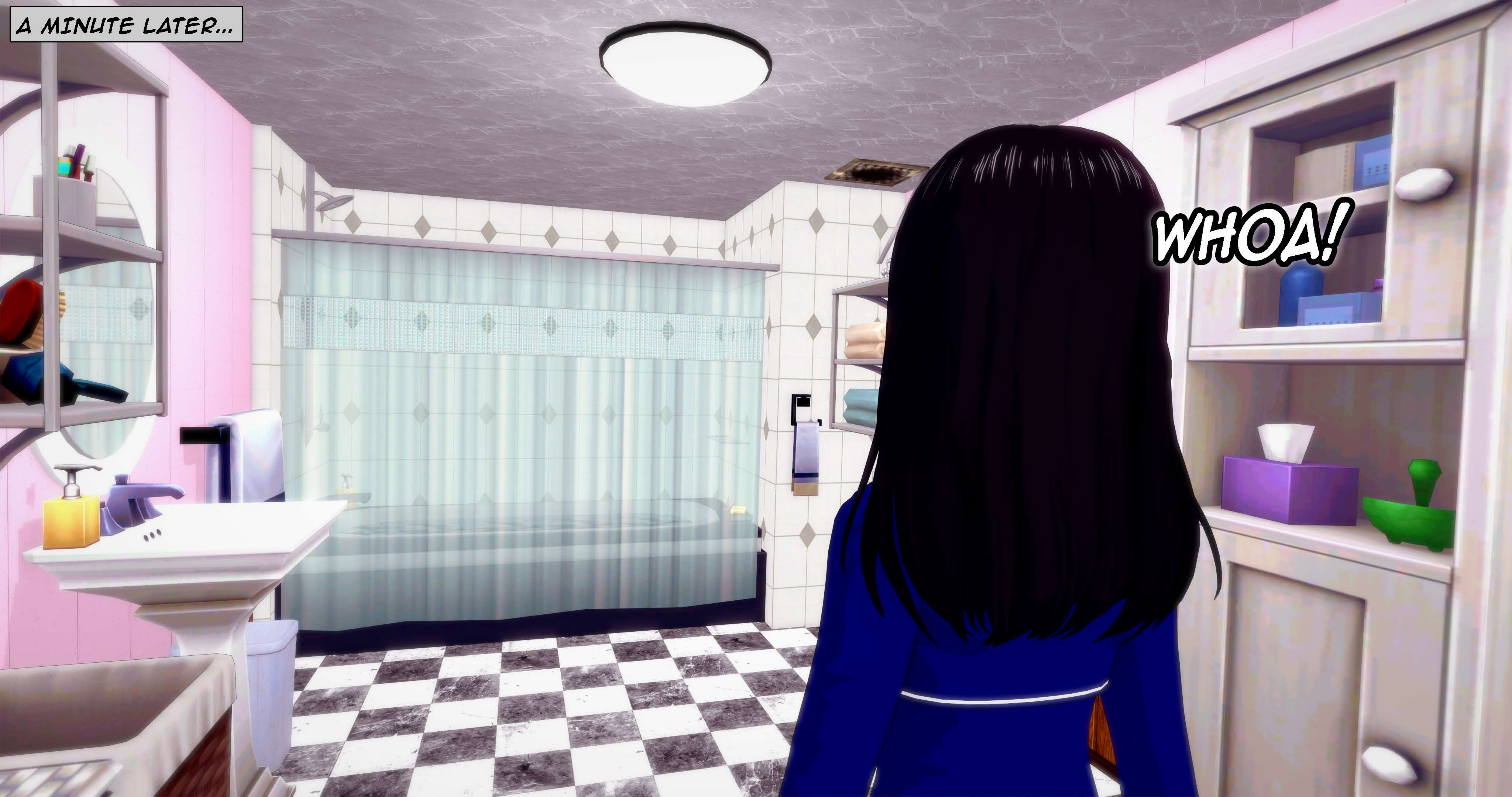
YOU ARE AS LOVELY AS
THE ROOM ITSELF. I'M GLAD
YOU LIKE IT.

ACTUALLY I... I DON'T
HAVE ANYTHING ELSE TO WEAR.

NOW, MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.
AND YOU'RE STILL IN YOUR SCHOOL DRESS.
WHY DON'T YOU CHANGE INTO SOMETHING
MORE COMFORTABLE...

OH, THAT'S RIGHT! CLARA
MENTIONED SHE FORGOT TO BRING YOUR
STUFFS. DON'T WORRY, I'LL FIND SOMETHING
FOR YOU. NOW GO GET FRESHEN UP
IN THE MEANTIME.

A MINUTE LATER...

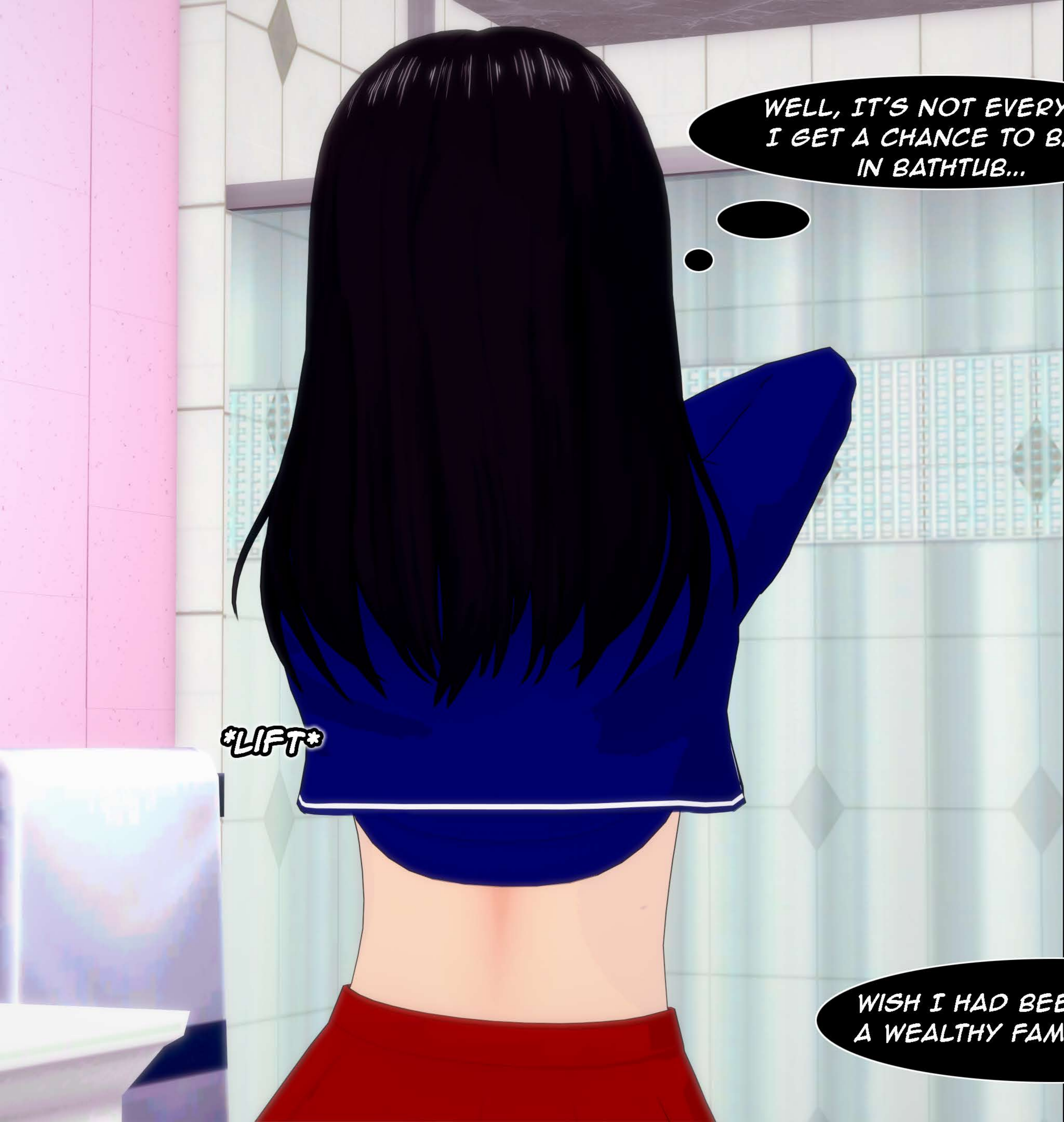


WHOA!



THIS BATHROOM IS HUGE!
IT'S ALMOST THE SAME SIZE AS
CLARA'S ROOM...

WAIT... IS THAT A BATHTUB?



WELL, IT'S NOT EVERYDAY
I GET A CHANCE TO BATHE
IN BATHTUB...

LIFT



UNHOOK



TIE

WISH I HAD BEEN BORN INTO
A WEALTHY FAMILY LIKE THIS...




BUT OBVIOUSLY
NOT AS A GIRL

AHH~ THIS IS PURE BLISS...
JUST WHAT I NEEDED AFTER
SCHOOL.

SCHOOL LIFE AS A GIRL IS
REALLY TOUGH... DON'T KNOW HOW
LONG DO I HAVE TO KEEP THIS UP...

BUT THOSE TWO GIRLS, THEY
ARE NOT THAT BAD. BEING AROUND
THEM IN SCHOOL IS REALLY HELPFUL.

UGH... I STILL DON'T FULLY
UNDERSTAND THE THINGS THEY BOTH
TALK ABOUT... HOPE THEY DON'T
START DOUBTING ME.



I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT. THERE'S NO WAY ANYONE WILL FIND OUT... MY FACE BECAME COMPLETELY FEMININE AFTER THE FACIAL FEMINIZATION SURGERY, AND MY BODY...

THE ONLY TRACE LEFT IN MY BODY IS MY PENIS, THE LAST HINT OF WHO I USED TO BE. I WONDER HOW MUCH TIME IT WILL TAKE FOR ME TO GET BACK TO MY PREVIOUS BODY AFTER ALL OF THIS IS OVER.

AND THE MOST NOTICEABLE CHANGE IN MY BODY... MY CHEST... IT JUST WON'T STOP GROWING. ALL MY BRAS ARE STARTING TO FEEL TIGHT... I'LL HAVE TO TELL CLARA THAT I NEED A NEW BRA.

OUCH! EVEN MY NIPPLES
GETTING LARGER AND MORE
SENSITIVE.

OHH

UHM... TOUCHING THEM
ACTUALLY FEELS REALLY NICE.





YEAHH

AHH

LMM

RUB

RUB



YEAH

AHH

THIS IS SO GOOD....

AHH

RUB

RUB

KNOCK~
KNOCK~



*Y-YES... MRS. MILLER,
I... I'M FINE. I WAS JUST... UM,
SINGING LOUDLY.*

MIA? ARE YOU OKAY IN THERE?
I HEARD SOME... NOISES.

*SINGING...? HAHA... ALRIGHT
DEAR, TAKE YOUR TIME. I'VE LEFT SOME
CLOTHES FOR YOU ON THE BED,
JUST SLIP INTO THOSE....*

*OH, AND I MADE SOME FOOD,
I FIGURED YOU MIGHT BE HUNGRY.
COME DOWNSTAIRS AND HAVE A BITE
WHEN YOU'RE DONE.*

FEW MINUTES LATER...

PHEW!
THAT WAS A CLOSE...

THANK GOODNESS I HAD
THE BATHROOM DOOR LOCKED.
I'LL HAVE TO BE MORE CAREFUL
FROM NOW ON.





HUH!



UGH... ALRIGHT...
IT'S JUST FOR ONE DAY.

HAHA... I KNOW GOOD RINGS CAN
BE PRICEY, BUT DON'T SWEAT. IF YOU
PLAY A PART OF A NICDE GIRL, I'LL
SLIP YOU SOME EXTAR CASH. SO WE'LL
BE ABLE TO BUY A DECENT ONE.

FEW MINUTES LATER...

**OH MY, YOU LOOK
LOVELY IN THESE CLOTHES!
THEY FIT YOU PERFECTLY.**



YOU KNOW, THESE CLOTHES ARE FROM MY DAUGHTER'S CLOSET. I DIDN'T EXPECT THEM TO FIT ON YOU SO PERFECTLY. AHH.. MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE AROUND THE SAME AGE SHE WAS.

HUH... SHE GAVE ME HER DAUGHTER'S CLOTHS.

WHAT'S WRONG? YOU SEEM A BIT UNCOMFORTABLE. DON'T YOU LIKE THESE CLOTHES?

OH, NO, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT. THEY... THEY'RE PERFECTLY FINE.

GOOD TO HEAR. IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE COMFORTING TO SEE THEM BEING WORN AGAIN. NOW COME, SIT HERE, AND HAVE A BITE BEFORE IT GETS COLD.

MRS. MILLER IS SUCH A SWEET LADY, BUT I'M NOT HERE FOR ALL THIS HOSPITALITY. CLARA MENTIONED AN EXTRA TIP IF I DO WELL. IF I MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION, MAYBE IT'LL PAY OFF IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE.

I SHOULD ASK IF THERE'S ANYTHING I CAN DO AROUND THE HOUSE. MAYBE IF I HELP HER WITH CHORES, LATER ON, MRS. MILLER MIGHT PUT IN A GOOD WORD ABOUT ME TO CLARA.

WHAT'S HAPPENED? YOU SEEM LOST IN THOUGHT AGAIN...






OH, DEAR, YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT. YOU'RE A GUEST HERE.

MRS. MILLER, I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND ME ASKING, BUT IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN HELP WITH AROUND THE HOUSE?

UHH.. BUT.. ACTUALLY... I WOULD LOVE TO HELP. YOU KNOW I CAN DO ANY HOUSEHOLD WORK, LIKE CLEANING OR LAUNDRY...



YOU'RE SUCH A THOUGHTFUL
YOUNG LADY. BUT WE ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE
WHO TAKES CARE OF THOSE TASKS. YOUR
OFFER IS VERY SWEET THOUGH.

HOWEVER, CLARA MENTIONED THAT
YOU COOK SO WELL. IF YOU'RE REALLY
INTERESTED IN DOING SOMETHING, WOULD YOU
LIKE TO COOK DINNER TONIGHT? I WOULD
LOVE TO TRY YOUR FOOD.

SURE... I'D
BE GLAD TO.

AFTER A WHILE...



HOPE YOU GET THE HINT THAT
I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN MY PROMISE.

BUZZZZ...

BUZZZZ...



BUZZZ...

BUZZZ...

TESSA'S PHONE...



IT'S UNLOCKED....

HUH... WHAT ARE ALL THESE NOTIFICATIONS?



WHAT ARE ALL
THESE TOKENS FOR?



- MAC25 TIPPED 20 TOKENS
- NT_KIO TIPPED 50 TOKENS
- BLACKJ76 TIPPED 30 TOKENS
- CHEYB22 TIPPED 5 TOKENS
- ET_BIG TIPPED 25 TOKENS
- KING69 TIPPED 10 TOKENS

BUZZZ...

BUZZZ...

WHATEVER... I'LL JUST RETURN HER PHONE TOMORROW, AND THAT'S IT.



TO BE CONTINUED...

AFTER A WHILE...



I'M GLAD YOU LIKE IT!

MMM! THIS IS ABSOLUTELY DELICIOUS!

YOU HAVE REAL TALENT IN THE KITCHEN. I WONDER WHO TAUGHT YOU HOW TO COOK LIKE THIS?

UHM... MY.. MY SISTER, EMMA, YEAH, SHE TAUGHT ME.

OH, EMMA... SHE MUST BE A REALLY GOOD COOK. HER BIRTHDAY IS COMING UP... RIGHT...?



I KNOW EVERYTHING
CLARA TOLD ME EVERYTHING
ABOUT YOU AND EMMA...

HUH... HOW...
HOW DID YOU KNOW...?

WHA...WHAT...
SHE TOLD YOU EVERYTHING...
SO... SO, YOU KNOW...?

IT'S ALRIGHT, DEAR!
I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW HARD
THIS SITUATION MUST BE FOR YOU
AND EMMA...

LEAVING YOUR PARENTS BECAUSE OF THEIR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR MUST HAVE BEEN VERY DIFFICULT.

CLARA ALSO TOLD ME THAT SHE PROMISED YOU SOME CASH TIP IF YOU BEHAVE WELL HERE.

AND NOW, WITH YOUR SISTER WORKING IN ANOTHER CITY TO SUPPORT YOU SO YOU CAN COMPLETE YOUR EDUCATION, IT'S A LOT FOR BOTH OF YOU TO HANDLE IN THIS YOUNG AGE.

HAHA~ IT'S NICE TO KNOW YOU'RE DOING THIS SO YOU CAN BUY A GIFT FOR YOUR SISTER ON HER BIRTHDAY. DON'T WORRY, I'LL TELL CLARA THAT YOU'VE HELPED ME ALOT.

OH, SO THAT'S
WHAT SHE TOLD HER.

HAHA~ IT'S OKAY... BY THE WAY,
IF YOU DON'T MIND ME ASKING, WHAT ARE
YOU PLANNING TO GIFT YOUR SISTER?

WHAT? A RING?

TH~ THANK YOU MRS. MILLER...

I... I AM PLANNING
TO GIFT HER A RI--

SHIT! WHO GIFTS A RING TO
THEIR SISTER... IF I SAY 'RING', IT'LL MIGHT
SOUND STRANGE TO HER..

NO, NOT A RING...
I MEAN UM... ER... EARRING.. YEAH...
A PAIR OF EARRINGS. SHE...
SHE LOVES JEWELRY.

ME? UMM, NO...
I MEAN.. YES, I DO LIKE
EARRINGS TOO.

OH, UM, IT JUST...
I HAVEN'T GOTTEN THEM
PIERCED YET.

THAT SOUNDS WONDERFUL.
AND WHAT ABOUT YOU, DEAR...
DON'T YOU LIKE EARRINGS?

REALLY... BUT I JUST NOTICED
THAT YOUR EARS AREN'T PIERCED...

HAHA, THAT'S INTERESTING.
ALRIGHT LET'S QUICKLY FINISH DINNER
AND HEAD TO BED. YOU HAVE SCHOOL
TOMORROW, RIGHT? DON'T WORRY,
I'LL DROP YOU.

LATER AT NIGHT...

BZZZZ...

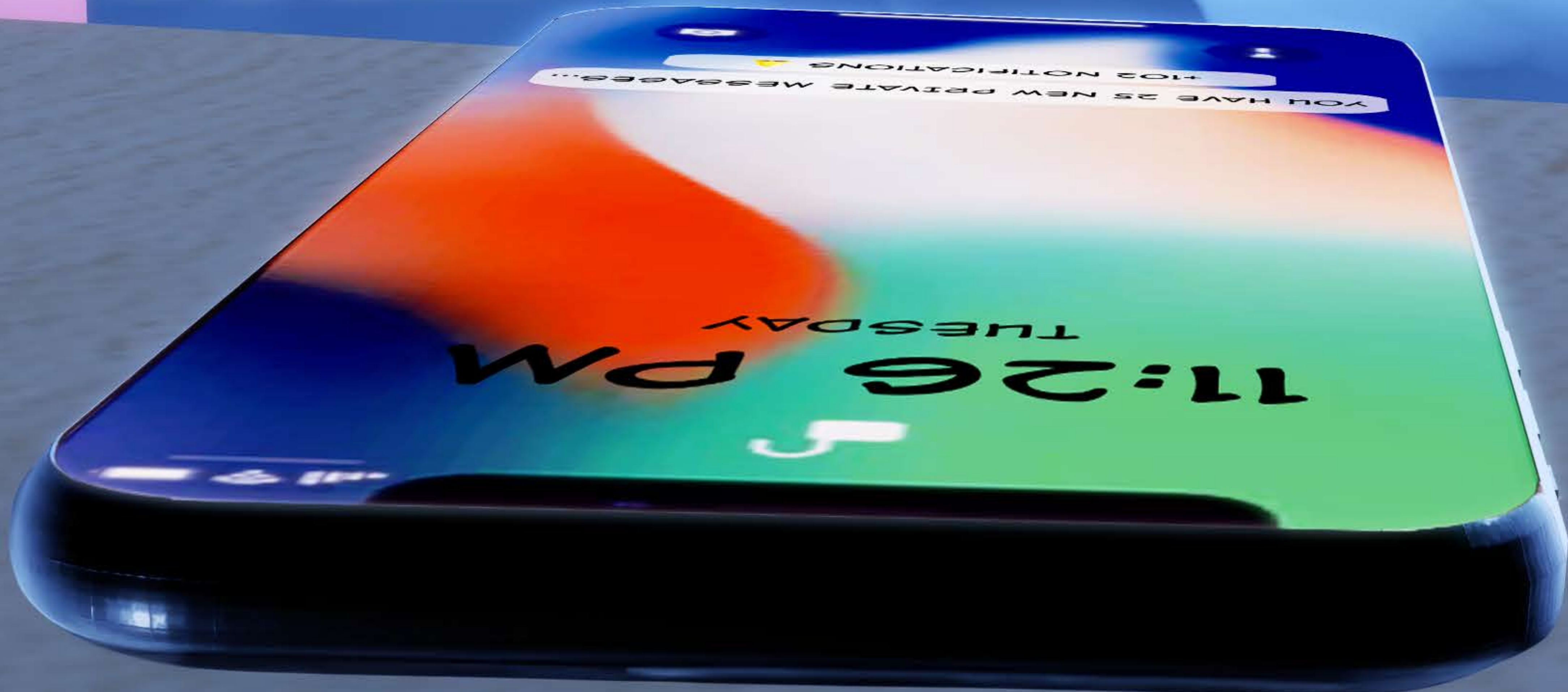


BZZZZ...

ARGH... I CAN'T SLEEP BECAUSE OF THIS PHONE.

JUST STOP BUZZING ALREADY!

BZZZZ...



BZZZZ...

A 3D-rendered scene showing a woman from the waist down, wearing a red dress with white floral patterns and white leggings. She is sitting at a grey desk. On the desk to her left is a yellow backpack with a brown base and a blue zipper pull. In front of her is a white smartphone. Her right hand is resting on the phone. A speech bubble is positioned above her right hand. The background is a pink wall with a white floral pattern. A wrapped gift with a colorful pattern and a red ribbon is visible on the floor to the right.

**LIGH, SO ANNOYING...
I'LL JUST PUT THIS PHONE
ON SILENT.**

AGAIN THESE TOKEN TIPS NOTIFICATIONS... HMM~ LET'S SEE WHAT THIS IS ABOUT.





ONLYFEETS

3547 VIEWS
VIEW ALL 350 COMMENTS
YESTERDAY

HUH...

ONLY FEET...?
WAIT... SHE SELLS HER FEET
PICS ON THIS PLATFORM.

SO SHE GETS THESE
TOKENS IN RETURN FOR THOSE PICS...
HOW MUCH THOSE TOKENS ARE
ACTUALLY WORTH...

WHAT... SHE IS MAKING
THAT MUCH MONEY BY JUST
SELLING HER FEET PICS...

AH... WHAT AM I DOING...
THAT GIRL HELPED ME EARLIER...
IF SHE FIGURES OUT I SAW ALL
THIS ON HER PHONE, SHE'LL BE
REALLY EMBARRASSED.

YAWN

PLUS, THIS IS NONE OF MY
BUSINESS. HMM.. IT'S GETTING LATE,
I SHOULD GO TO BED NOW.



NEXT DAY...

COME ON, MIA!
WHY CAN'T YOU COME?

I'M SORRY...
I REALLY CAN'T...



A scene from an anime-style comic set in a school hallway. Three girls in matching blue and red school uniforms are walking and talking. The girl on the left has short black hair, the middle girl has long black hair, and the girl on the right has long reddish-brown hair. The hallway has large windows and a green carpet.

YOU KNOW I'M STAYING WITH MY SISTER'S FRIEND HERE, AND THIS WEEKEND I PROMISED HER THAT WE'D GO VISIT HER AUNT.

I WISH I COULD... ACTUALLY HER AUNT LIVES ALONE, SO SHE REALLY NEEDS ME THERE. AND YOU KNOW, IT WOULDN'T BE RIGHT TO REFUSE HER AT THE LAST MOMENT.

YEAH! CAN'T YOU SKIP IT JUST THIS ONCE?

HMM, YOU'RE RIGHT... BUT TRY TO SEE IF YOU CAN MAKE IT TO THE PARTY. WE'LL HAVE A LOT OF FUN TOGETHER!

SERIOUSLY? THAT SOUNDS SO BORING!

PHEW, HOPEFULLY THEY WON'T PRESS FURTHER. I'M NOT REALLY KEEN ON GOING TO THESE KIDS' PARTY. OH WAIT, I ALMOST FORGOT. I STILL HAVE TESSA'S PHONE. I NEED TO GIVE IT BACK TO HER.

SURE, I'LL TRY MY BEST TO MAKE IT IF I CAN.

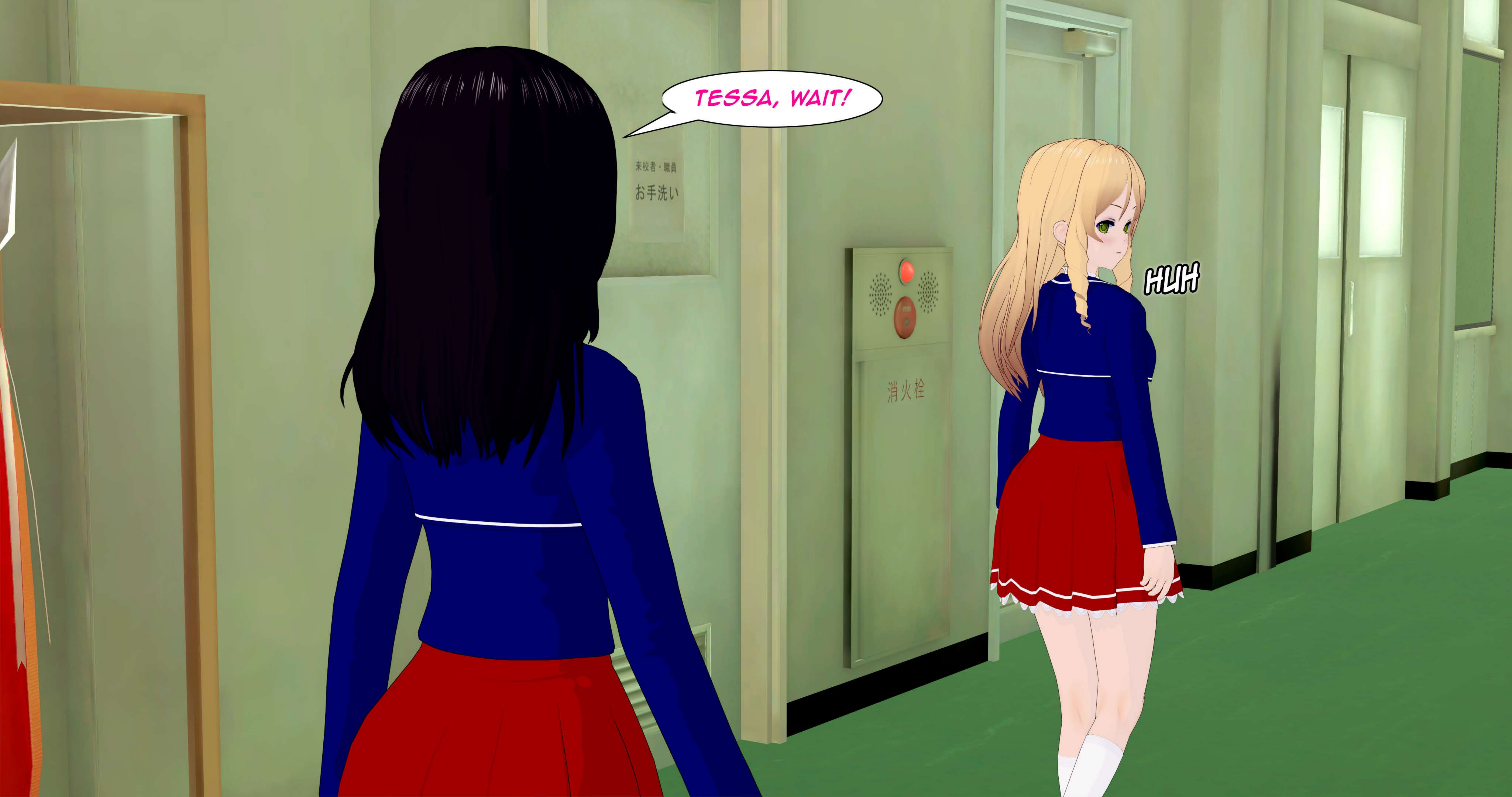
AH, ALICE! I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO DO... YOU GUYS GO AHEAD, I'LL MEET YOU IN THE CANTEEN.

GOOD~ LET'S GO TO THE CANTEEN NOW! MMM~ I'M CRAVING SOME FRIES.



SURE, TAKE YOUR TIME.
WE'LL SAVE YOU A SEAT.

OH, THERE SHE IS!
I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TO
SEARCH FOR HER.



TESSA, WAIT!

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HUH

A comic panel showing two anime-style girls in school uniforms. The girl on the left is handing a white smartphone to the girl on the right. They are standing in a hallway with green walls and a green carpet. There are three speech bubbles containing dialogue.

HERE YOUR PHONE!

THAT OTHER GUY FROM THAT DAY...
AHH, I DON'T KNOW HIS NAME, HE IS YOUR
CLASSMATE I GUESS. HE FOUND THIS IN
YOUR CLASS YESTERDAY. HE THOUGHT
I WAS REALLY YOUR FRIEND, SO HE
GAVE IT TO ME.

HUH! HOW DID YOU GET IT?

HMM~ MUST BE DYLAN...

THAT GUY THOUGHT IF HE HANDED IT OVER TO YOU IN THE OFFICE, YOU MIGHT GET IN TROUBLE BECAUSE BRINGING PHONES TO THE CLASSROOM ISN'T ALLOWED. SO HE TOLD ME TO KEEP IT WITH ME.

SO THIS PHONE HAS BEEN WITH YOU SINCE YESTERDAY.

SHE MUST BE THINKING I'VE GONE THROUGH HER PHONE... UGH~ BUT WHY IS SHE STARING AT ME LIKE THAT INSTEAD OF FEELING AWKWARD...

HUH... NO, NO, WHY WOULD I LOOK INTO YOUR PHONE. YOUR PHONE HAS BEEN IN MY BAG SINCE YESTERDAY.

OH, YOUR PHONE WAS UNLOCKED... HAHA, I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW.

DID YOU CHECK MY PHONE?

HMM~ ARE YOU SURE... MY PHONE WASN'T EVEN LOCKED.

HUH.. WHAT...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING...

GULP

I... I REALLY...

Y-YES...

AWW~ LOOK AT YOU!
STOP LYING ALREADY... I CAN TELL
FROM YOUR FACE THAT YOU'VE
LOOKED INTO MY PHONE...

SHHH... NOW LISTEN TO ME
CAREFULLY.. IF YOU TELL ANYONE
ABOUT THAT, YOU'LL BE DEAD...
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

THAT'S GOOD,
NOW YOU CAN GO.

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ARGH! WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS... INSTEAD OF THANKING ME, SHE WAS GIVING ME THREATS...

GRRRR...

THAT BRAT... SHE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WHO SHE'S MESSING WITH. IF I WANTED TO...

THEY HAVEN'T MADE ANY OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT YET, BUT THERE ARE RUMORS. I SAW THIS IN AN UNOFFICIAL POST... WAIT, LET ME SHARE IT WITH YOU...

REALLY... SO, THEY'RE GOING TO COLLABORATE FOR THEIR NEXT ALBUM? WHOA, I'M SO EXCITED FOR THIS!





MIA, CHECK IT OUT,
I'VE SHARED IT WITH YOU TOO.

AHH.. I CAN'T DO SHIT...
AND I'M THE ONE WHO'S HIDING HIS
REAL IDENTITY HERE... IF ANYONE DISCOVERS
WHO I REALLY AM, I'LL BE IN DEEP TROUBLE,
SO IT'S BETTER IF I DON'T MAKE
ENEMIES WITH ANYONE.

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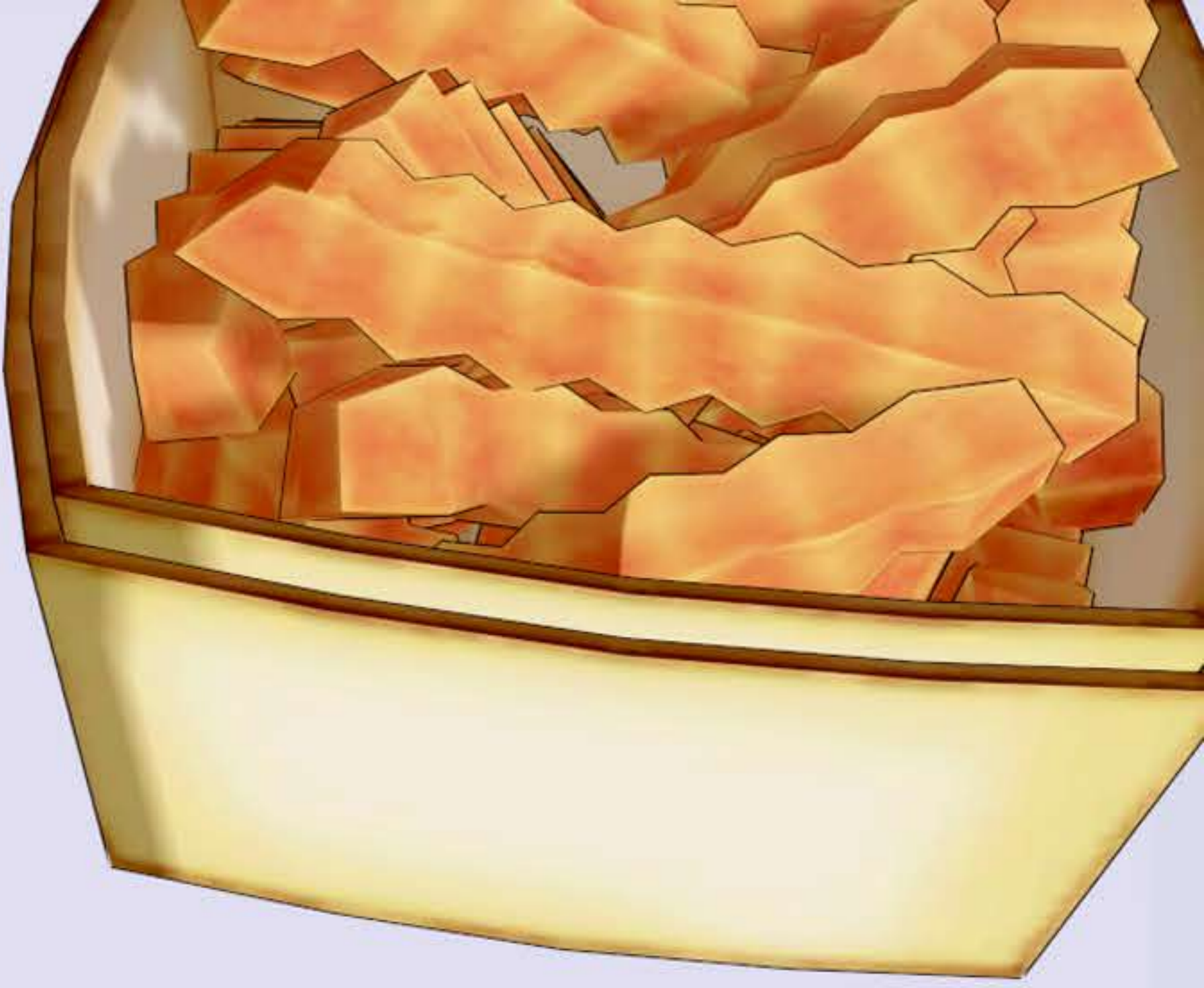
BZZZZZ...



HUH, DID YOU SAY SOMETHING TO ME?

YEAH, WHERE WERE YOU LOST? CHECK YOUR PHONE, I SHARED SOMETHING.

UGH, THESE GIRLS NEVER STOP SHARING STUFF. ALRIGHT, LET'S SEE WHAT IT IS...
HUH, MRS. MILLER'S MESSAGE...





WHY IS SHE
COMING TO PICK ME UP?

LMM FASTER~

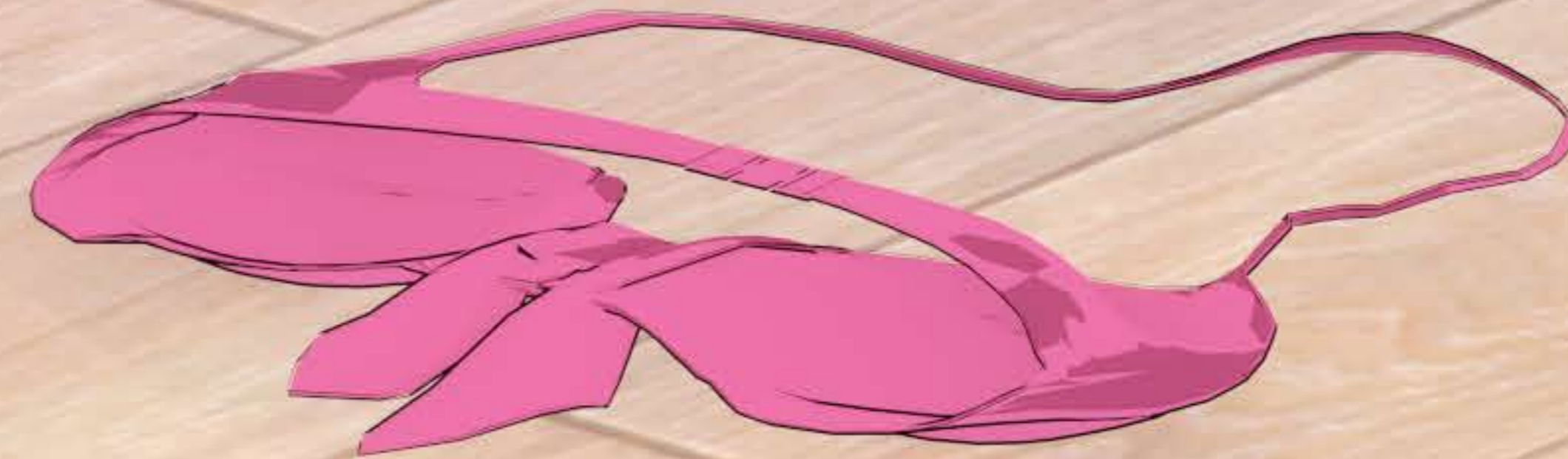
~YEAH

BZZZZ...

BZZZZ...

LINGH

AHH





YEAH

LNGH

AHH

AHH

PAT

PAT

BZZZZ...

BZZZZ...



I KNOW WHO IT MIGHT BE...
IT'S NOT THAT IMPORTANT.

ARE YOU JUST LOOKING
FOR AN EXCUSE TO TAKE A BREAK?
HAHA~ YOU SEEMS TIRED...

ALRIGHT BIG BOY,
JUST GIVE ME A MINUTE.

AHH

AHH

LHH

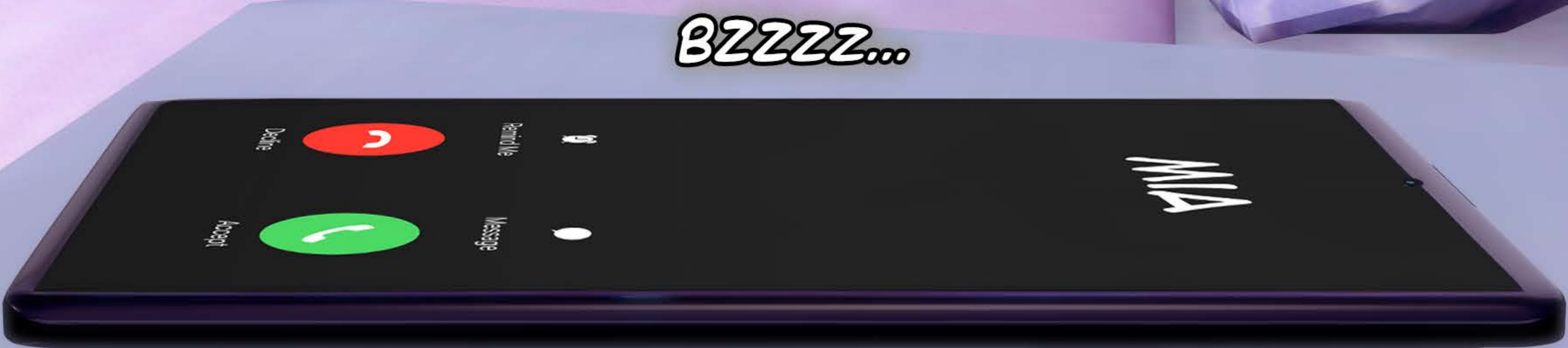
AHH

AHH

YOUR PHONE HAS BEEN
RINGING FOR QUITE A WHILE...

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT
WITHOUT CHECKING... IT COULD BE
SOMETHING IMPORTANT.

ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME...
I CAN STILL GO FOR ANOTHER HOUR
WITHOUT STOPPING.



BZZZZ...

BZZZZ...

OH... HELLO CLARA!
WHERE ARE YOU? I'VE BEEN TRYING
TO CALL YOU FOR A WHILE.

AREN'T YOU COMING TO
PICK ME UP TODAY? MRS. MILLER TEXTED
ME A WHILE AGO SAYING SHE WILL COME
TO PICK ME UP FROM SCHOOL.

UGHH... WHY
ISN'T SHE ANSWERING?

AHH, SORRY.
I'M IN AN IMPORTANT MEETING.
WHAT HAPPENED?

YEAH, I'M STILL NOT DONE WITH
WORK HERE, SO, I WON'T BE ABLE TO COME
TODAY. I THOUGHT ABOUT CALLING YOU, BUT
I ASSUMED YOU'D BE IN CLASS....

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日替わり定食
いつでも300円

月曜日
シーフードパスタ

火曜日
チーズハンバーグ


水曜日
和風定食

木曜日
親子丼

金曜日
お楽しみ定食

来月の日替わりランチ

アンケート
BOX

A comic panel depicting two anime-style characters in a room. On the left, a girl with short, vibrant pink hair and purple eyes is shown from the waist up, unclothed. She is holding a blue smartphone to her ear. On the right, a girl with long black hair and a blue school uniform with a red bow and skirt is also on the phone. The background shows a desk with a calendar, a camera, and a corkboard. Three speech bubbles are present, containing dialogue between the characters.

SO I CALLED AUNT AND ASKED
IF YOU COULD STAY ONE MORE DAY AT HER
PLACE. SHE AGREED AND SAID SHE WILL
PICK YOU UP FROM SCHOOL TOO.

ONE MORE DAY? CAN'T
I JUST GO BACK TO YOUR HOME?

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH
STAYING AT AUNT'S? HOW WILL YOU GET HOME
FROM SCHOOL? BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT? IT'S
BETTER TO STAY AT AUNT'S. SHE'LL DROP YOU
OFF AT SCHOOL AGAIN TOMORROW
MORNING, LIKE TODAY.

B... BUT CLARA...

COME ON, MIA, QUIT BEHAVING LIKE A CHILD... IT'S ONLY FOR ONE MORE DAY... ALRIGHT, BYE, I NEED TO GET BACK TO THE MEETING NOW. I'LL PICK YOU UP FROM SCHOOL TOMORROW.

~AHH

STROKE

STROKE



HUH... WHAT WAS THAT SOUND? IS SHE REALLY IN THE MEETING?

UGH, I DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY CLOTHES. LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO WEAR THAT RIDICULOUS DRESS FOR ONE MORE DAY.

HMM~ I MUST HAVE MISHEARD SOMETHING...

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日の日替わりランチ



THAT'S NONE OF YOUR CONCERN.
WHY DON'T YOU JUST FOCUS ON THE
THING I CALLED YOU HERE FOR?

SO, YOU'RE AT THE
MEETING RIGHT NOW... WHO WERE
YOU LYING TO?

HAHA~ SURE,
ARE YOU READY FOR ROUND TWO?

TO BE CONTINUED...