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FAde In:

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Cameron’s in his room packing for college.

Character Name]

[Dialogue]

seargeant jones: Son.

Cameron: Yes Sir?

Seargeant Jones: Sit down i need to talk to you. (stern look)

Cameron: O.K. (confused)

Seargeant Jones: College is a major step in your life. YOur mother and i are tremendously proud of you. I couldn’t ask for a better son. (assuring)

Cameron: Thanks dad. That means a ton. (confused)

Seargeant: With that being said, i expect greatness from you and nothing short. is that understood? (serious)

Cameron: Absolutely sir! (Confidently)

Says goodbyes to family.

Mrs. Jones: Oh you done grew up! mama’s gonna miss you very much. make sure you call! cus i well come down here. (smirking)

Cameron Jones: O.K. I promise mom. (Smiling and gives hug)

Cassandra Jones: Bye cammy. have fun.

Cameron Jones: O.K. sis. (Gives hug)

Seargeant Jones: Take care of yourself son. remember what we talked about. (raises eyebrows)

Cameron Jones: Yes sir (gives a reassuring look and the two shake hands).

(Cameron meets orientation group)

Orientation Leader: Hey Cameron! Welcome to Emory

Cameron Jones: Nice to meet you sir!

Orientation Leader: You don’t have to call me sir (chuckles). Meet the rest of the group.

Suzie: Hey! I’m Suzie!

Cameron Jones: Nice to meet you. I’m Cameron (says nervously)

Suzie: (chuckles) Nice to meet you too. You should come out with us. You’ll have a ton of fun.

Cameron Jones: i would love too! (Enthusiastic)

[Dialogue]

Cameron at the Party.

Suzie: Glad you could make it. (Friendly)

Cameron: Yeah, it seems cool. (Slightly uncomfortable).

Suzie: Wanna drink?

Cameron: Are you kidding me? We’ll get into so much trouble!

Suzie: Cameron trust me, everyone does it. And no one ever gets caught. Lighten up. It’s college!

Cameron: I guess I can have one. (Still uncomfortable).

4 weeks later at a party!

Crowd: Go Cameron! Go cameron! Go Cameron!

SUZIE: You’re the life of the party Cam!

CAMERON: I know! I love college! I can’t believe I used to listen to that crazy man.

SUZIE: (laughs) You don’t mean that. You’re just drunk Cam.

CAMERON: (laughs hysterically) I know, I know.

SUZIE: How do you think you did on your midterm?

CAMERON: What midterm? (Worriedly)

SUZIE: Math Dummy! (Jokingly)

CAMERON: Suzie I completely forgot! O my God! What am I gonna do? (Starts crying).

SUZIE: You can start by laying off the party life.

CAMERON: But this is college and everybody parties like this.

SUZIE: Yea, but you have to learn responsibility and take some nights off.

Cameron: You’re right. I’m serious from now on. I can’t ruin my future. (Looks motivated)

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