

GEEK GIRLS

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COLD OPEN

EXT. CITY STREET - SANTA MONICA, CA - NIGHT

ANNE SMITH, redhead, 20's, awkwardly struts down the street in Mad Men retro-chic gear en route to a nightclub.

ANNE (V.O.)

Dear Diary, today is the day when I finally get rid of my geek, nerd, weirdo, or whatever persona. But I can't get that behind a computer screen. I need human contact.

EXT. TRENDY CLUB - NIGHT

Anne waits patiently behind YOUNG CLUB-GOERS in line.

ANNE (V.O.)

I'm just one step away from Sex and the City, LA style.

Anne proudly shows her ID to the BOUNCER.

INT. TRENDY NIGHTCLUB - NIGHT

Music BOOMS. Anne sees a big sign that says "Welcome to Geeks are Chic!"

She freezes at the door. GEEKS and NERDS in SHINY CLUB GEAR - move about, attempting to look chic, but failing miserably.

Girls in their early twenties huddle together:

KARA FLEMING, African-American, well-dressed sports journalist.

SUMMER MCDONALD, bombshell rocket engineer in half-moon glasses

BRITTANY DE SOTO, Latina middle school teacher in a sweater set.

JANE LI, Asian-American, library assistant in a babydoll dress.

Jane holds a romance novel with a redhead on the cover. She looks up and smiles and points to Anne.

JANE

I found her! Our chic-ee geek!

ANNE
(V.O.)
Dear Diary. Help. Me.

Anne makes a U-turn and runs out of the club.

JANE (O.S.)
Hey. Wait! Wait up. You will be our
new roommie!

ANNE (V.O.)
Damn you Anime Super hero shows!
You make running in heels look so
easy!

END OF COLD OPEN

ACT ONE

INT. THOUSAND TREE BOOKSTORE - NIGHT

The bookstore cafe is every book lovers dream come true.

ANNE (V.O.)
Ah. Bookstores. My saviors. My only
friends.

The door opens and enters Kara, she is shouting outside.

KARA
Found her.

ANNE (V.O.)
How in the H.E. Double Hockey
sticks did they find me?

Anne hides her face behind a Star Wars as they flock around
her.

BRITTANY
See like any true nerd. Any time
they need to hide they go to a
library or to a bookstore.

SUMMER
Or to fulfill their deep dark
secret of having sex in hidden
corners of bookstores.

KARA
This is not college. There are no
stacks at bookstores!

SUMMER
That's what you think.

MICHELLE LEVENSTONE, early 60's, the owner of the store,
shelves books behind them.

MICHELLE
Tramp.

BRITTANY
And you.
(To Anne)
Sorry. We didn't introduce
ourselves. I'm Brittany. And this
is Kara, Summer, and Jane.

ANNE
I'm Anne?

JANE

Is that a question? Don't you know who you are?

ANNE

What? Of course. I am Anne with an E.

JANE

Oh my God, like Anne of Green Gables! Bosom friends! Bosom friends!

MICHELLE

Sweetie, I didn't know you swung that way.

Michelle continues to put books away. The girls stare at Anne.

ANNE (V.O.)

Oh. Crap. They are looking at me. Think. Say anything! Come on. Be chic. Be chic.

ANNE

So what was that about having sex at a bookstore?

ANNE (V.O.)

Really. Really? Smooth. Of all the questions that I could ask to define my new personality.

SUMMER

You never done that?!

KARA

No hygienic person has done that.

SUMMER

Bookstores are the cleanest places around.

JANE

Anyway. Anne. We were wondering if you would like to be roommates with Summer.

We hear JAWS MUSIC in the background. Anne drops her book.

ANNE

I don't think --

JANE

You're the perfect geek but not
freak girl. You even match my book
cover.

Jane holds up her book.

ANNE

Oh, I think you've made mistake.
I'm not a geek.

KARA

Jane, you're scaring our potential
new friend. She'll think we are
bunch of stalkers. <And we finally
found our red-head.>

BRITTANY

Don't worry. This is how they acted
when I first came into the group.
You will get used to it.

Jane pulls on Anne's hand toward the bookstore's cafe area.

ANNE (V.O.)

I did say I needed human contact.

INT. THOUSAND TREE BOOKSTORE - CAFE AREA - LATER

Anne, Brittany, Jane, Summer, and Kara sit at a table.
Michelle approaches.

MICHELLE

What'll it be, nancies?

JANE

Michelle, you know none of our
names are Nancy.

MICHELLE

Nor do I care.

JANE

Oh, but of course, you don't know
our new friend, Anne. This is Anne.
With an *E*.

MICHELLE

Five waters and five black coffees.
If you want anything else, order it
tomorrow when you're not getting on
my nerves.

She exits. Anne is shocked by Michelle's rude behavior, but the other girls don't seem to notice it.

BRITTANY

Ok. So Anne, which is more important DC or Marvel?

ANNE

What's the difference?

ANNE (V.O.)

What is this, Sophie's Choice?

KARA

Damn it. She likes both of them.

BRITTANY

Sadly, our DC vs. Marvel debate continues.

KARA

What is the major difference between Star Trek, the Next Generation and Deep Space Nine?

ANNE (V.O.)

Oh, God. Where do I start?

ANNE

(lying poorly)
Well, actually, I'm not really a Trekki. I was more into shows like the Hillz and Keeping Up with the Kardashians.

The girls share looks. None of them buy it.

BRITTANY

Avid reader?

ANNE

Sure. I love to read People Magazine and all. See ladies, I am not a geek at all. I am just your run-of-the-mill party girl.

BRITTANY

Says the girl who introduce herself as Anne with an E.

ANNE

(embarrassed)
Why can't Summer place an ad for a new roommate?

KARA

Summer is officially banned from placing ads for any roommate.

SUMMER

So what if I placed an ad asking for a good-looking male that has a minimum of two PhDs, knows the merits of comic books and video games? There's nothing wrong with that. Besides, that was a year and half ago!

Brittany, Kara, and Jane roll their eyes.

KARA

Three guys answered the ad. We stopped by to check them out and found them dressed as Batman, Superman, and Spiderman.

JANE

And Summer dressed as Catwoman.

ANNE

Well. Um. None of these guys worked out?

SUMMER

Sadly no. They were excellent as Batman, Superman, and Spiderman but not as roommates.

BRITTANY

So when Summer finally settled on a new roommate...

Michelle appears with their coffees.

SUMMER

He just moves out without any notice six months later.

JANE

Oh. I thought it was because you slept with his brother.

MICHELLE

Tramp.

Michelle exits.

SUMMER

He was visiting for the weekend.

KARA

And this is your reason?

SUMMER

He was a hot body sleeping in my living room. I couldn't let it go to waste.

KARA

But you never gave him the time of day. Even though he begged.

SUMMER

I didn't want us to have any awkward moments since we lived together.

KARA

Summer.

SUMMER

Urg! Fine. It is because he thought Star Wars did not have a theme.

Kara, Jane, and Brittany GASP. Anne hugs her Star Wars book.

ANNE (V.O.)

What?! Is he mental?

KARA

What? I didn't know about this. Please tell me not the...

SUMMER

Yes. The originals.

JANE

Episodes 4, 5, & 6?

BRITTANY

No. Jane. The *other* original Star Wars trilogy.

JANE

Episodes 1, 2, & 3?

Summer glares at Jane.

KARA

Where did he go to school?

SUMMER

MIT.

BRITTANY

I'm confused.

SUMMER

He said that it's a space adventure story with guys dressed in robes playing with their light sabers the whole time.

ANNE

No! Star Wars is about a guy who battles the light and darkness of society and overcome great evil. It introduced the whole Sci-Fi genre to our parents, who in turn showed it to us!

Anne stands with her fist high up in the air.

Summer, Kara, Brittany, and Jane looks at her surprised. Anne sees their faces and sits meekly down.

ANNE (CONT'D)

I mean. I mean...ummmm any girl knows about that.

BRITTANY

What's the name of five top grossing Disney movies from 1950-1980?

ANNE

(auto-answering)
Cinderella, Peter Pan, One Hundred and One Dalmations, The Jungle Book, and the Lady and the Tramp.

ANNE (V.O.)

Shoot. I wasn't supposed to say that, was I?

KARA

Name the three Kardashian Sisters.

ANNE

Kim, Kourtney, and umm, the third girl, she is ummm, Corolla!

BRITTANY

That's a car manufacturer.

Anne has a look of 'oh crap.'

BRITTANY (CONT'D)

Okay. I think she passed **our tests**.

ANNE

Tests?

JANE

Yes. We are testing you to see if you're qualified to be Summer's new roommate. We need a female that's a nerd, geek, but not a freak and who's also nice. And you're very nice.

KARA

And someone we can share our true hobbies with without worry.

BRITTANY

And who won't label us as "pseudo geeks."

SUMMER

No! I still want a *male* roommate.

KARA

She doesn't know what she's saying.

ANNE

But why me? You don't know anything about me. And you heard her. She wants a male roommate.

BRITTANY

The very definition of insanity is doing things over and over again expecting a different result.

ANNE

I am sorry but my answer is no.

SUMMER

See. It's meant for me to have a guy.

Jane, Brittany, and Kara focus on Anne.

KARA

Why? Gives us one good reason.

ANNE

I am on a lease!

BRITTANY

You can get a sublease really easily.

KARA

That's right. Or worse case, bribe them out of it and lose your deposit.

ANNE

Wait. Where do you guys live?

JANE

Near Culver City.

ANNE

Nope. I have to live in Beverly Hills. That's where all the super chic people live.

BRITTANY

What?

ANNE

The super chic only work, eat, and party. That's what it means to be a sophisticated modern day independent woman.

SUMMER

(deadpan)

You mean like the Kardashians or Sex and the City?

ANNE

Exactly!

JANE

But we are super chic! We have movie, television, and musical marathons.

KARA

And we go to conventions too.

SUMMER

And most importantly we cosplay.

ANNE

Wait. You love musicals too?

KARA

We're reeling her in, ladies.

Enter Summer, Kara, Jane, and Brittany's neighbor OSKE
HASANUMA, late-20s enters to the bookstore.

He's dressed with a Star Wars tee and jeans. Trying to be
cool with his haughty attitude. He looks around in disgust.

BRITTANY
Why is Satan's spawn is here!

KARA
Let's go talk somewhere else.

As the girls get up, Anne clutches her Star Wars book at her
side.

Oske notices the book and strides towards Anne. Without
hesitation, he snatches it from her.

ANNE
Hey!

Anne wrestles to keep the book. The girls rush to Anne's
corner.

JANE
Go Anne! If that's the book you
want, fight to the death.

KARA
Pull to your left, he has a weaker
grip.

Anne obeys and gets the better of Oske.

SUMMER
We are not fighting to the death
for a book again.

BRITTANY
No, Summer. Our code of 359.

SUMMER
Oh. Right.

OSUKE
(straining to keep hold of
book)
Gee, you girls should know better
that girls can't like Star Wars!

Anne pulls harder, but the little imp won't let go.

BRITTANY
Since when was that law written?

Kara and Jane starts help Anne to pull that book. The girls win.

Osuke stumbls back. He steadies himself. Then as he huffs through his nostrils like a bull, ready to attack. Michelle taps him on the shoulder.

MICHELLE
(pointing to a shelf)
Look. If you want that book, it is
over here.

Osuke huffs and follows Michelle, exiting. Anne clutches the book. Kara, Summer, Brittany, and Jane go around her.

KARA
Sorry about our neighbor. He's...

JANE
A book thief.

BRITTANY
No. He is just a stupid guy --

SUMMER
Who thinks geekdom only belongs to
the male species.

JANE
Anne, we really love you, can you
please find out if you can break
your lease?

ANNE
I can try.

SUMMER
No need to. I put out an ad already
so you can help us interview
possible candidates tomorrow night.

BRITTANY
Summer!

ANNE
Well, I can help. You did help me
rescue my book and all.

JANE
What are bosom friends for? But
still try to get out of your lease.
Just in case.

Anne looks at Summer, who shrugs.

SUMMER

I guess. Just in case.

Anne goes to purchase her book as the girls return to the cafe.

ANNE (V.O.)

Dear Diary, what I have gone myself into? I promised to start my new life as someone cool and sophisticated. Instead I am thrust back into nerdsville. No. Anne. Collect yourself. You're just helping your former "geeky" comrades because they helped you to win this book! This is only temporary.

JANE

Let's go bosom friend!

ANNE (V.O.)

It's scary, but she's starting to grow on me.

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

EXT. APARTMENT COMPLEX - DAY

Anne KNOCKS on the door, waits a few beats. THE LANDLADY, 50's, comes out with her pink robe, her blond hair all in curlers, and with a cigarette in her hand.

LANDLADY

What do you want?

ANNE

Umm, I was wondering if it would be possible to do a sublease?

LANDLADY

No. Once you sign a contract your soul is never returned. Don't give me that look. That's growing up, kid.

The Landlady is about to close the door to end the discussion but Anne puts her foot between the door.

ANNE

I...I understand but if I find someone to take over my lease, I think both parties win.

LANDLADY

Well. Too bad. Welcome to the real world.

The Landlady SLAMS the door with brute force. Anne is dumb struck.

INT. SUMMER'S APT COMPLEX- NIGHT

Anne poises her fist to knock on the door of Summer's apartment.

In her peripheral vision, she notices another door open then ZACK O'HUGH, 20's, dressed in nursing scrubs, emerges. Anne, struck by how cute he is, drops her jaw.

ZACK

Ah. Hi.

Her eyes travels down his body and stop on a pair of red converse shoes.

ANNE (V.O.)

Just like doctor--

Anne continues to stare at him.

ANNE
Who.

ZACK
Excuse me?

ANNE
Your shoes. Dr. Who wears the same--

Zack gives her a blank look.

ZACK
Aren't you going to knock?

ANNE
Who?

ZACK
What? Aren't you going to knock on that door?

ANNE
Oh. Right. Ummm. Yes. Yes. I was. Sorry about that. I'm Anne Smith.

ANNE (V.O.)
Great job Anne! You did not introduce yourself with an E.

ZACK
Zack. It's nice to meet you, Anne.

Zack exits down the stairs. Anne keeps on staring at him but shakes it off and knocks on Summer's door. She opens a beat later.

SUMMER
Zack O'Hugh. A man of mystery and roommate of that creature Oske from the bookstore. Unfortunately, he's never around long enough to tell me which super hero he's into. Not that I care, he's not my type.

KARA
Are you sure about that? He has a pulse.

ANNE
What? Wait, you were listening to us?

SUMMER

Never mind about that. Our first candidate will be here in five minutes.

Anne walks into

INT. SUMMER'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

It's a decent size with a couch in the center and a big screen television on the side. She also has various white boards with equations around and has a small kitchen to the side.

ANNE

Wow this is a nice size apartment. What do you do?

SUMMER

Oh. Let's just say I know my way around a rocket shaft.

Anne's eyes go wide.

BRITTANY

Summer. Will you stop introducing your job like that?

SUMMER

Fine. I'm a rocket engineer.

They sit on the couch and drinks. Anne takes look around the room.

Kara is organizing a stack pile of clip bored and **pap**. Brittany fixes up snacks and bringing it to the table. Jane reads her book.

ANNE

That explains the equations on the bored. That's pretty cool.

SUMMER

(sincerely)
Isn't it! I love it. So what do you do?

ANNE

I work for a small boutique PR company. Nothing much.

SUMMER

Sounds fun.

ANNE
 (sarcastic)
 Oh it is. Typing up reports,
 figuring out how to sale a product
 that has no appeal at all.

KARA
 If you can be anything what do you
 want to do?

ANNE
 A writer. But I do have to pay my
 loans somehow.

BRITTANY
 True to that.

There is a KNOCK on the door.

SUMMER
 Looks like our interview guest #1
 has arrived. Do you have the list?

Kara gives each girl a clipboard.

KARA
 Yes. And each clipboard also has
 the other's list of what makes a
 quality roommate.

Summer rolls her eyes. And goes to the door.

SUMMER
 Just to stick to my list.

JANE
 When it suits what's best for you.

INT. SUMMER'S APT - LATER

Summer shows the INTERVIEWEE out of the door. She shakes his
 hand as he exits.

SUMMER
 Well. Thank you Mr. Tomic. I will
 contact you regardless of the
 outcome.

Summer closes the door. She turns to the girls and Summer
 lets out a frustrated SIGH.

SUMMER (CONT'D)
 Ok. What was wrong with roommate
 candidate #10?

JANE

He mistook the author in Crime and Punishment with War and Peace.

SUMMER

Okay. How about candidate #4? He knew all the books, comic books, and, come on Brittany, he defended his PhD thesis really well. Kara, you know he is a sports person. Did you see those abs!

BRITTANY

Asking him to lift up his tee-shirt as part of the screening was very unethical you know?

JANE

It was very nice of him to let me touch them.

All four girls glare at Jane, who just shrugs her shoulders.

KARA

Forget his abs. He got the coaches names mixed up between the Clippers and the Lakers. And he "claims" to be a native? I'm sorry, but I don't think you could put up with such a poser for very long.

SUMMER

You guys know me too well.

Summer stands up and starts to pace and looks over the paper's that are scattered around the coffee table. She picks one up and smiles.

SUMMER (CONT'D)

Okay. How about candidate #7?

ANNE

The one who confused Yoda with Shrek? I oppose that on so many different levels.

SUMMER

Oh. I forgot. I was just salivating over his thesis on microbiology.

Summer flops on the couch.

SUMMER (CONT'D)

This sucks.

ANNE

Sorry that it isn't working out.

SUMMER

It's okay. So, Anne, how's the sublease situation going?

ANNE

My landlady said no. I signed the contract and that's it.

JANE

Well. If Anne just convinces the landlady to sublease her apartment that won't be too bad. I mean, if she finds someone who can pay double there should be no worry.

BRITTANY

This is reality not one of your fan fictions.

KARA

If only fan fiction could be real. Then I'd be lead anchor on ESPN Sports Zone by day and swashbuckle on the Firefly by night.

JANE

You wrote a fan fiction like that?

KARA

Yeah. I didn't show you?

Summer and Brittany roll their eyes.

JANE

If we are wishing for things, I want my life to be like a musical.

ANNE

Oh **my** God, yes! I'd kill to sing in harmony and break into a song at any time.

SUMMER

Me too!

Kara jumps up.

KARA

Okay, which one? Wicked, Singing in the Rain, or Annie?

All look at each other.

ALL THE GIRLS
Singing in the Rain.

SUMMER
I'll get the costumes.

Summer exits to her bedroom to get the costumes.

ANNE (V.O.)
So, after much dancing and singing
off key, I decided it was the most
fun I had in a long time. Then
Kara, Summer, Brittany, and Jane
invited me to their Star Wars Day
on Saturday. I found my home away
from home. Now to get out of that
lease.

End of ACT II

ACT III

EXT. ANNE'S APARTMENT COMPLEX - DAY

Anne is dressed as a business professional. She tugs on her suit jacket, nervously braces herself and knocks on the her landlady's door.

LANDLADY

You again?

ANNE

I thought long and hard. I decided to be an adult and not go against the contract.

LANDLADY

It. Is. Saturday.

ANNE

I understand that I need to wear my grown up pants to do this and decided not to move out and break the contract.

LANDLADY

It. Is. 8:30. In. The. Morning.

ANNE

So. I would like you and I to be friends. Here! I baked cupcakes to fortify the agreement.

The Landlady SLAMS the door.

ANNE (V.O.)

Damn, that bribe would have totally worked in the Midwest. Well, I guess, I got to tell the girls that I can't move in with them after all. Don't worry, Anne. It's time to be an adult!

Anne exits.

INT. THOUSAND TREE BOOKSTORE - DAY

ANNE

Hi! Michelle. Would you like a cupcake?

Michelle gives her an eye and grabs the cupcake from the plate.

MICHELLE
 (chewing)
 Hmm. Not bad.

Michelle takes the plate and puts it behind the counter and makes a sign that says 'Not for Sale, Michelle's.'

Anne goes up to the counter.

ANNE
 Michelle. Can I ask for advice?

MICHELLE
 Who do I look like Yodi?

ANNE
 What? Oh. You mean, Yoda?

Michelle glares at her.

MICHELLE
 That's what I said, isn't it?

Michelle's look is sharp.

ANNE
 Yep. That's what you said, but actually, I was thinking of you more like the wise women in Macbeth.

MICHELLE
 I don't see much difference. Except for the blue skin.

ANNE (V.O.)
 Yoda is green. GREEN! No. I need advice. I will react with calm sophistication.

ANNE
 Ok. I have a friend...

MICHELLE
 Sorry, girly. One cupcake equals to listening for three seconds of your trouble. More than that will cost extra.

ANNE
 But--

MICHELLE
 You're the one breakin' the rules.

She exits with her tray of cupcakes.

Shocked and upset, Anne turns from the counter and smacks into Zack, causing him to drop some anatomy books on the floor.

ANNE
I'm so sorry!

ANNE (V.O.)
Anatomy. Diary. My mind is wandering to very bad places. Make it stop.

ZACK
It's fine. Are you okay?

ANNE
Yes. I'm fine. Thank you.

She steps out of the way for Zack.

ZACK
(to Michelle)
Can I have a cup of coffee to go?

MICHELLE
Cream and no sugar, right?

Anne is dumbstruck as to how Michelle is treating Zack so nicely. Zack smiles to her.

MICHELLE (CONT'D)
Save a life, get a cup of coffee for free.

ANNE
Oddly, I can't find fault in that.

Michelle gives her two empty cups and points to the coffee on the heater's.

MICHELLE
I would like mine with a pinch of sugar and milk. Thank you.

ANNE
You're welcome?

MICHELLE
My god you don't sound very sure of yourself.

ANNE

Well, I never have to served coffee
for the waitress before.

MICHELLE

There's a first time for
everything.

Anne and Zack head on over to the Coffee counter and serves
up coffee.

ZACK

(gesturing to her suit)
So you're working on a Saturday?

ANNE

Oh no. I wore this to butter up my
landlady to try and get out of my
lease.

ZACK

Well, you look very sophisticated.

ANNE

(awkwardly flips her hair
over her shoulder)
Well, I try.

From the corner of her eye Anne sees Jane dressed as
Chewbacca enter the shop.

ANNE (V.O.)

They were not kidding when they
said they planned to cosplay.

A Chewbacca GROWL emits from Jane's suit, and she jumps up
and down.

KARA (O.S.)

Hey, Chewy wait!

Brittany, Kara, and Summer enter wearing Obi-Wan Kenobi, Han
Solo, and Princess Leia costumes. They head toward Anne.

ANNE

Uh...

ZACK

Is anything wrong?

ANNE

It's was very nice meeting you.

ZACK
 Sorry I made that crack about your
 work suit.

The girls surround Anne on both side.

ANNE (V.O.)
 They're like locusts.

ZACK
 Oh. Hi, Summer.

Anne is taken aback at Zack's lack of reaction to the girls
 in costume.

ZACK (CONT'D)
 Oh. Yeah. The new Star Wars movie
 is coming out next week. I see
 you're very excited about that.

SUMMER
 We have tickets to an exclusive
 screening. And check out my
 Special Edition Lightsaber Water
 Pistol 5000. I dated the guy who
 engineered it. First it's a
 lightsaber then it's a--

She points the gun. Michelle appears.

MICHELLE
 If you want to live, you'll put
 that thing down.

Zack LAUGHS.

ZACK
 Let me know how the movie is,
 ladies.

Jane Chewbacca GROWLS.

ANNE
 (though Zack is out of
 earshot)
 Bye.

Zack exits the bookstore.

SUMMER
 Time to get you in your Yoda
 costume.

KARA

Aren't you glad you decided to come over to our side?

ANNE

Actually, I decided to stick to the rules and stay in my old place. It's the adult thing to do.

KARA

So being a sophisticated adult is more important than being surrounded by people like us?

ANNE

No. I do want to be friends with you, but I need to be an adult. I need to be like Carrie from Sex and City.

SUMMER

Don't worry, you are. You almost have the hair for it.

BRITTANY

Carrie is pseudo-sophisticated. Our Anne is the real thing.

Jane takes off her Chewy mask.

ANNE

I am?

JANE

The most sophisticated people I know are children on the inside.

Anne looks as if she's unsure of how to take this.

JANE (CONT'D)

-- Jim Henson.

BRITTANY

Come on. We can figure something out. Our souls are only sold to fandom related materials.

ANNE

Suppose I don't want to go with you.

They all shrug at each other. Jane puts her mask back on, and they start to walk away.

ANNE (CONT'D)

Wait!

They quickly surround her on both sides and usher her out of the door with them.

ANNE (V.O.)

I just got kidnaped by the cast of Star Wars... Help me Obi-won Kenobi.

Jane Chewbacca YELLS.

EXT. ANNE'S APARTMENT COMPLEX - LATER IN THE DAY

Anne, in green make-up, a robe and Yoda ears, knocks on the Landlady's door again with the Kara, Brittany, Summer, and Jane behind her.

KARA

Use the force, ladies!

The landlady opens the door.

LANDLADY

You again?

(beat)

At least, I think it's you.

ANNE

Hi. You see....

Jane takes off her mask again.

JANE

Anne should not be living in this type of expensive place.

LANDLADY

A contract is a contract.

SUMMER

Pardon us, but this is about living a fantasy for us. Being close to friends with similar interest and living close together.

LANDLADY

I know your jobs as birthday party performers can't pay much but --

SUMMER

If you're referring to these costumes I made by hand...

LANDLADY

You made these. Very nice.

ANNE

Everybody! Stop. Look. I know rules are rules and a contract is a contract, but I really want to live with these girls. I'm not a grown up yet. I've only been legally allowed to drink the lifespan of a toddler. And so maybe I need a little help, a little fun, and some friends who care about me.

LANDLADY

You know what? You really get on my nerves. Stop.

ANNE

Forget it, girls. If you still need a roommate in six months, give me a call.

The Landlady's eyes goes wide and points at Summer's Special Edition Light Saber Water Pistol 5000.

LANDLADY

Is that a special edition Light Saber Water Pistol 5000?

SUMMER

What's it to you?

LANDLADY

My grandson has been begging me for one of those for years.

SUMMER

Sorry it's not for sale.

The girls look at her.

SUMMER (CONT'D)

Okay. But it'll cost a lease break and Anne's deposit paid back in full.

Anne folds her arms and nods in approval.

LANDLADY

You've got yourself a deal.

INT. MOVIE THEATER - LATER

The five girls wait in line to go into the theater.

KARA

Did you know Debbie Reynold's celebrates Star Wars day in full costume?

ANNE

Well, she is Princess Leia's mother.

JANE

I don't know how they stand it. Star Wars and Singin' in the Rain in the same house.

INT. ANNE'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Anne, in a sophisticated scarf, sits at her desk computer and types in her journal in headphones.

In the corner of the screen, an mp3 icon displays *Ultra Chic TV Tunes*: Sex and the City is the current song.

ANNE (V.O.)

So diary, I found a new set of friends. And I'm on the road to sophisticated adult. I mean, I got out of my lease with cunning deceit. Maybe with these girls can teach me something. Not that I'd ever tell them that.

Ultra Chic TV Tunes switches to Mary Tyler Moore. Anne's eyes widen.

ANNE (V.O.)

Yes! I'm not Carrie. I'm Mary Tyler Moore. And I'm gonna make it after all.

Anne takes the headphones out. It's the end of the theme song.

She does the classic *Mary Tyler Moore* turn but instead of a hat she throws her scarf. It falls, and she slips onto the floor.

ANNE (V.O.)

Ow. Ok. Maybe I should take some ballet lessons.

INT. SUMMER'S APT - DAY

TITLE: ONE WEEK LATER

Anne's things are all moved in.

KARA

Welcome to the apartment, Anne!

SUMMER

Isn't that my line?

JANE

Oh, please we will be hanging out here more now that Anne's here.

SUMMER

Gee, thanks.

ANNE

I can't believe it only took four hours to get everything unpacked.

KARA

That's because we used the force.

BRITTANY

So where's our pizza?

ANNE

Ordering it right now.

Kara, Brittany, Summer, and Jane are all sitting around Summer's couch.

Anne takes her phone closer to the kitchen and before she dials the pizza place she gives a look at her new friends.

ANNE (V.O.)

Yeah. It's not the sophistication that I pictured but it is something more than I had before. I guess we all have to learn how to be a grown up and maybe lose our childish tendencies a little.

Anne goes back and sits around the girls. They continue to chat as we....FADE OUT

END OF SHOW