

SUBURBAN STANDOFF AUDITIONS

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Peter: Hey, are you drawing?

Sonya: Yes.

Peter: Can I see?

Sonya: No.

Peter: How come?

Sonya: It is not to be shown.

Peter: Why? Are they, like, dirty pictures?

Sonya: How do you mean “dirty”?

Peter: Like, naked people?

Sonya: No, I am not drawing naked people.

Peter: Prove it. Show me.

Sonya: Very well.

Peter: Wow. [Peter flips through the sketch book.] These are... Sonya, these are amazing.

Sonya: You do not have to say that.

Peter: No, I mean it. These are really good.

Sonya: I know they are good, that is why you do not have to say it.

Peter: Oh, right. [Stops on a page.] So, who's the guy?

Sonya: It is my brother. [Takes the sketch book back.]

Peter: Oh yeah? Cool. I got a sister.

Sonya: Why did she not come on this trip with you and your mother?

Peter: Oh she's... how do I put it?

Sonya: She is not favoured?

Peter: No, she's definitely the favourite. It's just that she's kind of busy. She's got her whole life figured out, you know? Kids, a house... a job.

Sonya: And you do not have this.

Peter: I don't have anything figured out. All I have is an English degree.

Sonya: You did not always speak English?

Peter: No, I mean like English Literature.

Sonya: Yes, I know. That was a joke.

Peter: Yeah, that's really not obvious. Maybe you could give a visual cue when you're joking. Like sticking your tongue out.

Sonya: I will never do that.

Peter: Didn't think so. Anyway, an English Degree is not really practical. I mean, there's a lot I want to do. But I don't know where to start, so I just end up doing nothing. You know?

Sonya: Yes. I can understand this.

Peter: You can? But you just graduated and you've already got a whole career lined up.

Sonya: Maybe. But there is still much I want to do, like travel all the historic routes of the world.

Peter: Besides the Trans-Siberian Railway what else is there?

Sonya: The Ancient Silk Road to begin with, or the Trans-Saharan Trade Route from Egypt to Morocco.

Peter: People actually do that?

Sonya: Somebody must have. I would also like to go back to school. But it is difficult to maintain healthy grades.

Peter: Now you must be joking, because you're like a walking encyclopedia. How could you have trouble in school?

Sonya: It is not a matter of intelligence, rather a matter of money.

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