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## Characters

**TOM ADDISON**

**ELLA ADDISON**—His sister

**GINA ADDISON**—Their mother

**JAKE GREENWAY**—Pizza delivery boy and football captain

**SHANA**—Ella's friend

**SIMON ADDISON**—Tom and Ella's father

SAMPLE

## Setting

A modern home unit. A couch, a coffee table, chairs and a lot of teenage mess, including a surfboard.

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Early evening. Classical music is palying. TOM sits in an armchair, writing in his journal. The door opens; it is his sister, ELLA. She is in her gym clothes and carries bags from clothing stores. As she enters, TOM hides his journal under the cushion of his armchair. She docks her phone. Loud rock music plays.

**ELLA:** I'm starving. What's for dinner?

**TOM:** Why ask me? It's your week.

**ELLA:** You're kidding! I thought it started tomorrow.

**TOM:** It started yesterday, Ella. And you were supposed to go shopping.

**ELLA:** But Shana will be here in a sec. I'll order a pizza.

**TOM:** No anchovies this time. Why is it we don't eat anything green for the whole week you're the cook?

**ELLA:** [*She grabs her phone. Music stops. She presses a preset dial on the phone as she exits*] Yeah, a supreme, thanks ...

[*TOM retrieves his journal and continues to write. The doorbell rings. He hides his journal and answers the door.*]

**TOM:** Hi, Mum. I thought it was too soon for the pizza.

**GINA:** And lovely to see you, too, Tom. Give us a hug.

[*GINA hugs TOM but gives him 'air-kisses' so as not to smudge her lipstick. She smooths out her hair as she perches on the edge of the armchair.*]

So, darling, what's new in teenville?

**TOM:** Nothing. Oh, they gave out our reports on Monday. Here's mine. How was your business trip?

[*GINA glances at the report.*]

**GINA:** Don't ask. [*Reading*] Excellent, excellent, above average, diligent. Well done, Tommy. [*She tosses the report on the coffee table.*] And did you try out for the football team as your father suggested?

**TOM:** Um, well—