

EXT. APARTMENT GARAGE. EARLY MORNING.

A small car is parked in a parking garage. A disheveled *LUCI*, wearing a sweatshirt with the hood pulled up over her head, mascara stains running down her cheeks, slowly drags a large duffle bag to the car.

She opens the trunk, grabs the duffle by its handles, and pulls it up toward the trunk. The bag gets in halfway.

A *CAR APPROACHING* is heard offscreen. Her concentration breaks and she lets go of the duffle as she stands up to look around. When *Luci* lets go of it the duffle drops to the pavement with a *THUD*.

Luci looks left and right trying to see if a person is watching. There is only a quiet garage. She exhales and looks back at the duffle on the ground.

QUICK MONTAGE OF ATTEMPTS

-*Luci* adjusts her feet and tries again. The duffle *THUDS*.

-*Luci* loses her grip and the handles slip. The duffle *THUDS*.
THUD. THUD. THUD.

-*Luci* wipes some sweat off her face and takes a deep breath.

-She *SLAMS* the trunk closed.

END OF MONTAGE

She gets into the driver's seat and checks Instagram on her phone.

A MONTAGE OF INSTAGRAM SET TO CLASSICAL MUSIC

A PHOTO of *Luci* and *Freya* smiling at the camera holding green juice. It has 24,601 likes. The caption reads

"Best friend goals. Dancing girls emoji."

Luci's thumb scrolls as she compulsively likes every comment. *Tap-tap, tap-tap, tap-tap*. The comments overlap and come in fast. *Luci*'s smile grows with each one. The comments are seen on screen as they are heard.

FEMALE INFLUENCER #1
You girls are so strong. Star emoji.

MALE INFLUENCER #1

Has anyone ever told you you're hot
for a sick girl? Fire emoji.

FEMALE INFLUENCER #2

My church is praying for your
recovery! Prayer hands emoji.

MALE INFLUENCER #2

Green juice game strong. Flex emoji.

FEMALE INFLUENCER #3

Can't wait for your next vid! Hashtag
super fan. Excited Emoji.

END OF MONTAGE

She looks up from her phone, pulls down the car mirror. Her smile fades as she sees her reflection. She quickly wipes at the mascara streaks on her face but gives up.

She tosses the phone into her purse in the passenger seat. It lightly *THUDS* and hits the orange pill bottle which *RATTLES* lightly.

She turns the key in the ignition. It *ROARS*.

TITLECARD:

"THREE MONTHS AGO"

INT. LIVING ROOM. DAY.

A computer screen shows a youtube video titled:

"Lifhacks For Navigating Chronic Illness as a College Student"

It has 3 views.

A calmer, cleaner looking Luci is sitting next to *FREYA* on a couch. Luci looks sickly in a head wrap and fashionable sweats. Freya looks straight out of a Girl Defined video. Everything is bright and clean.

FREYA

(she smiles and waves at the camera)

Hey Friends.

LUCI (V.O)
(*she touches her headwrap self-consciously*)

Welcome to our channel, where we explore-

INT. LUCI'S BEDROOM. NIGHT.

Luci lays down on her bed in the dark, the only light comes from her phone which illuminates her face. She *tap-tap, tap-taps* the screen.

There's a *Squeek-Squeek* of a rat comes from the bedside table area. She moves her head looking for the rat.

She picks up her phone and texts Luci:

"i think there's a rat in the house"

She goes to youtube. Her phone shows her and Freya's channel which has one video:

"3 Subscribers"

She refreshes the page, nothing changes.

She throws the phone and it hits the orange pill bottle across the room, knocking it over with a small *CRASH*.

Luci rushes over to pick up the bottle. She opens it. The pills inside start to glow a bit. Her breath is heavy.

INT. BATHROOM.

Luci, in a party dress, has her head over a toilet. Luci's orange pill container and phone are on top of the toilet. Freya, also in a party dress, sits next to her and holds Luci's hair back with her hand.

A *Buzz-Buzz* comes from Freya's phone in her pocket.

Freya lets go of Luci's hair, and accidentally takes a clump of hair with her. She gags and shakes off the hair.

Freya picks up her phone. It's a text from her Dad:

"I saw Luci's live-stream, is she going to be ok? Remember to study for your philosophy final, we don't want a repeat of last semester. I'm worried about your grades."

Freya's eyes dart over to Luci who is still bent over the toilet. Freya frowns and looks back at her phone. She *tap-tap, tap-taps*:

"Can't talk rn. Luci got sick again."

Freya places her phone facedown on the bathroom floor.

A *Buzz-Buzz* is heard from Luci's phone. Luci lifts her head. She has mascara running down her face and blood on her chin. She wipes the blood off her face and picks up the phone.

QUICK MONTAGE OF COMMENTS TO CLASSICAL MUSIC

A PHOTO of Luci and Freya in a mirror selfie before they went out tonight. It's captioned:

FREYA (V.O)

Is this real? Hashtag love my life.

Luci's screen lights her face as she looks at the comments. They still overlap but aren't as fast as the first scene.

FEMALE INFLUENCER #1

Just saw your live stream! I was so scared I told everyone I know. Hashtag concerned.

MALE INFLUENCER #2

Thoughts and prayers! About to mail your PO box. Prayer emoji.

FEMALE INFLUENCER #2

Hashtag Inspired by your strength. Fluttering heart emoji.

Luci checks the youtube channel:

"500 subscribers"

Luci smiles as she lays down and puts her head on Freya's lap. Freya leans against the bathroom wall and closes her eyes.

INT. LIVING ROOM. DAY.

A youtube video with 1,000 views is captioned:

"Art Collab w/ Nick Scratch!"

Freya, Luci, and NICK (an influencer boy in his 20s with a

good jawline) sit on the couch. He's in the middle. They have an assortment of colorful crafts on the table in front of them.

QUICK MONTAGE OF JUMP CUTS IN YOUTUBE VIDEO

-Luci hesitantly reaches for scissors on the other side of Nick who smiling at Freya who is focused on her work.

LUCI

Excuse me, could you just-

NICK

(he sees Luci trying to get past him and he leans back)

Oh, sorry. Didn't realize I was in the way, my dude.

LUCI

(she reaches past Nick and grab the scissors)

(annoyed at Nick's very presence) I'm not your dude.

NICK

Haha, you're funny.

-Freya and Nick are now seated closer and are smiling working on the same thing. Luci flashes Nick a death glare.

-Nick stands up and takes off his shirt revealing a toned abdomen. He gently *Smacks* it the way influencer boys do for some reason.

NICK

Yeah, so my account is mainly health-focused and I do a lot of workout tutorials...

Freya pulls up a hand to touch it but pulls it back as she sees the camera. Freya blushes. Luci rolls her eyes.

-Freya giggles at something Nick just said into her ear. Luci picks up her art and shimmies it lightly to steal attention.

LUCI

Freya! Freya look!

Luci puts a hand on Nick's shoulder to pause their