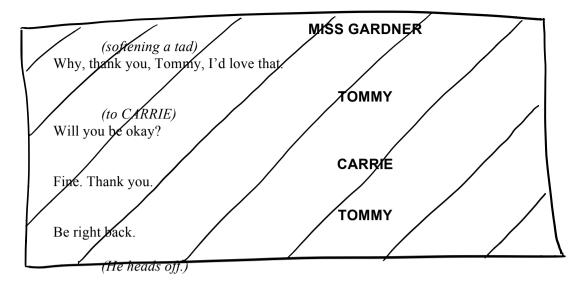
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(CARRIE, awestruck, gapes at the Prom wonderland around her. GARDNER notices.)

MISS GARDNER

What are you doing?

CARRIE

Trying to memorize it all – every single detail.

MISS GARDNER

So tell me, is it everything you dreamed?

CARRIE

It's... nice.

MISS GARDNER

Just "nice"?

CARRIE

It's – it's like being on Mars. Now that I'm here, I'm not really sure what I'm supposed to do.

MISS GARDNER

I remember my Prom. I went with the captain of the basketball team. He was 6 feet 7 inches tall! So I went out and bought a pair of these stiletto heels, so that our kiss goodnight would be a little less awkward. Anyway, we went in his pickup truck, which of course broke down, so we had to walk the last half mile to the Prom.



CARRIE

MISS GARDNER

By the time we got there, my feet were so blistered that all I could do was sit there. I was sure I'd ruined the night – I couldn't dance.

MUSIC 21: UNSUSPECTING HEARTS – REPRISE



But instead, we just sat there and talked. And you know what? It turned out to be one of the best nights of my entire life.

/ CARRIE/ / /
SO/ GUESS I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO'S EVER FELT THIS WAY
NOW I'M THINKING, SUDDENLY, IF YOU GOT THROUGH THIS, WHY NOT ME?
MJSS GARDNER /
OH, THE SWEETEST MEMORY'S NEVER PLANNED LET LIFE TAKE YOU BY THE HAND
THAT'S HOW IT STARTS
THAT'S HOW IT STARTS CARRIE
THAT SHOW IT STARTS
/ MISS GARDNER & CARRIE/
TWO UNSUSPECTING HEARTS
(CARRIE hugs her, and MISS GARDNER hugs her back.)
MISS GARDNER
Oh, honey
(Just then, TOMMY returns and jests:)
Better not let me catch you hugging any guys like that.
Bester not let me catety/ou magging any gayy nac mat.
/ CARRIE /
You won't.
/ TOMMY/
(Handing her the drink)
Miss Gardner –
MISS GARDNER
(raising her glass)
Cheers, you two. Have a lovely time.
(She walks off.)
MUSIC 21A: HOME BY TWELVE (UNDERSCORE)
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Now, how 'bout a dance'
Oh, no, I couldn't
On, no, reconding