

CUT TO: INT. BLAKE RESIDENCE - NIGHT

EST. SHOT: Blake Residence

Millie walks in through the front door and attempts to be very quiet as she closes the door behind her. Mrs. Blake appears.

MRS BLAKE
Millicent Blake.

MILLIE
I know, mom.

MRS BLAKE
You wanna explain to me how you got into a fight at school today?

Millie stands still for a moment, embarrassed but also tired. She is very uncomfortable.

MILLIE
I just...she was getting in Leah's face. I was trying to calm everyone down. Then she punched ME!

MRS BLAKE
Why did you fight back?

MILLIE
I don't know! Reflexes??!

Mrs. Blake sighs as well, attempting to calm herself down and be reasonable.

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MRS BLAKE
A suspension won't look great on your record.

MILLIE
I didn't get suspended. We got community service for a month instead.

Mrs. Blake straightens up.

MRS BLAKE

Oh, that's good news. Doing what?

MILLIE

Volunteering at a nursing home. Doing whatever the staff needs help with. It could be worse.

MRS BLAKE

But you have to do it with the girl you got into a fight with? Who is she?

MILLIE

Her name is Andy, but I can learn to ignore her and just get my work done.

MRS BLAKE

Good. Just make sure you're still able to ...

MILLIE

get all my homework and focus on the scouts and college stuff...

Millie nods her head in slight annoyance and begins to walk towards the stairs and away from her mom.

MRS. BLAKE

I was going to say...be extra kind to the residents. You know they've lived long lives and probably have interesting stories..

MILLIE

Oh...ok mom.

MRS BLAKE

One last thing. You're grounded.

Mrs. Blake holds out her hand and Millie reluctantly reaches into her pocket and hands the keys over.