

Honor Codes

Sides - Anne

ANNE
Are you feeling okay this morning?
You're acting kinda weird.

MAX
(dazed)
Yea, I'm fine.

Max is not listening to anything she is saying.

From his P.O.V. we discover that he can see the thoughts of only the one person he's focusing on. As he scans around, text flashes quickly above anyone that crosses his line of vision, but only when he settles his view on someone can we clearly read what they're thinking. He looks at a passing guy frantically reading a textbook as he walks, who thinks he's going to fail his test. A guy sitting on the bench is checking out Anne. Two girls who seem to be in amiable conversation have bitter resentment for each other. Anne is talking throughout all this. Max is absentmindedly responding.

ANNE (O.C.)
Are you sure? You look really out
of it.

MAX
(not looking at her)
I'll be fine.

ANNE
Okay.
(She attempts to sound
upbeat, despite Max'
obvious disinterest
towards her)
So, can we skip class today?

MAX
I have a test review.

ANNE
Fine. What are you doing after
class today?

MAX
(absentmindedly)
Um...I dunno.

ANNE (O.C.)
Well, I was wondering... do you
wanna do something tonight?

MAX

Like what?

ANNE (O.C.)

Well, how about a date? I mean,
unless, you're busy.

MAX

Yea...

(finally turning to Anne)

Wait, what?

Anne sighs, defeated.

ANNE

(bitterly)

Nothing.

ANNE (TEXT) (CONT'D)

Thanks for caring.

She looks away from Max, pissed.

ANNE (CONT'D)

You should've come to the semi last
night. Even James was there.

MAX

James was there?

ANNE

You know, I feel like I see him
more than I see you. It wouldn't
hurt if we spent a little more time
together.

ANNE (CONT'D)

*If you even want to spend more time
together.*

Max is stunned. He doesn't know what to say to this.

MAX

But, I do want to spend time
together! We did last week, at
the...

ANNE

(interrupting)

The library doesn't count Max. You
think doing a project together
counts as a date?

(MORE)

ANNE (CONT'D)
(sighs again)
Never mind.

ANNE (CONT'D)
You just don't get it.

They arrive in front of the ALLEN BUILDING, where Max has his first class, and stop. Max turns to Anne.

ANNE (CONT'D)
I'll catch you later.

ANNE (TEXT) (CONT'D)
Not that you care anyways.