

SCENE 1

INT. TAXI - DAY

Manhattan. Angela and Max look at the high-rises and myriad of people walking on the streets. Max looks at the guy.

MAX

Hey man, if we need to spend a night, where do we go?

GUY

How about a hotel?

MAX

I don't think I have enough money for that. Any other option?

The guy looks at him as he thinks.

GUY

I guess Grand Station would be another option. It's warm inside.

MAX

Thank you.

GUY

Sure.

EXT. STREET, MANHATTAN - DAY

The taxi stops by a building, the trunk pops up. Angela and Max get out from the car and get their luggage. The taxi drives away.

Max looks at the address in his notebook and then glances at the building's number.

MAX

Yep, we're here.

Angela looks at the tall buildings around her.

MAX (CONT'D)

We're in America, baby.

Angela is nervous. Max hugs her.

MAX (CONT'D)

We'll be OK.

ANGELA

It's a different world.

SCENE 2

ANDREI (CONT'D)

Did you talk to Monya?

MAX

Yeah.

ANDREI

And?

MAX

He asked if Angela would work as a prostitute.

ANDREI

Oh, fuck. I'm sorry, man. You didn't kill the horny bastard, did you?

MAX

No.

He stares at Andrei.

MAX (CONT'D)

He is a good guy, right?

ANDREI

Listen, it's a fucking immigration, man. Some people will try to take advantage of you.

MAX

Obviously.

ANDREI

Dude, I'm trying to help.

MAX

I'm sorry. I'm just fucking losing my mind.

ANDREI

What happened?

MAX

I have to pay another two hundred for the room or we have to get out.

ANDREI

When?

MAX

Tomorrow.

SCENE 3

EMMA

That's OK, I'm not complaining.

She smiles with light sadness in her eyes.

EMMA (CONT'D)

My life is good. Anyway...

Jenny walks in. Emma and Max look at her.

JENNY

May I join you?

MAX

Sure.

He gets up and pulls a chair for her.

JENNY

Thank you.

She glances at Emma and sits down.

EMMA

Did she fall asleep?

JENNY

Yeah, almost instantly.

EMMA

Thank you, mom.

JENNY

Sure.

She looks at Max and then turns her head to Emma.

JENNY (CONT'D)

So, how did your second date go?

Emma chokes on a cookie.

MAX

Are you OK?

Emma inhales deeply as she glances at her mom.

EMMA

Yes, I'm OK, thank you, mom.

She coughs a few more times as she glances at Jenny.

JENNY

What did I say?