Did You Feed the Giant?

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Characters

ABIGAIL, female, in charge of feeding the giant BELLADONNA, female, ABIGAIL's mother CHRISTIAN, male, the neighbor SCENE 1

ABIGAIL and BELLADONNA sit at a sturdy wooden table, eating breakfast. There are eggs, bread, and cheese. BELLADONNA is cutting a thick slice from the loaf of bread. ABIGAIL stirs her drink with a spoon, distracted.

BELLADONNA

...Did you feed the giant?

ABIGAIL

Ugh, yes, mom. I fed the giant.

BELLADONNA

Really, now? 'Coz I checked the bucket this morning, and it's still full of the whale chuck I left out for you.

ABIGAIL

I fed the giant, mom!

BELLADONNA

Well what'd you feed him with, then?!

ABIGAIL

The fish stuff!

BELLADONNA

Now Abigail, I don't want you lying to me. I already told you—that bucket was full right to the brim when I checked it.

ABIGAIL

I got it from the whale, You don't need to do everything for me, mom.

BELLADONNA

Oh, that's nice. I'm sorry, Abi; you know I just want to make sure it's done.

	ABIGAIL
Yeah, yeah.	(pause)
Hey, mom?	(pullot)
What is it, Abi dear?	BELLADONNA
	ABIGAIL
Can I go out to Delilah's later? Like thing.	e, not <i>now</i> , but like, she's doing a whole meetup party
	BELLADONNA
Ooh, little Dellie's, eh? Oh, I don't l there?	know. There aren't going to be any potions there, Abi, are
	ABIGAIL
Ugh, no, mom. Dellie's parents are	super strict.
	BELLADONNA
Well you should be thankful they weren't.	are, then, hm? 'Coz I wouldn't be letting you go if they
	ABIGAIL
Yeah, whatever. But, like, you <i>are</i> l	
	BELLADONNA
Well, I don't see why not. Long as stay safe.	you're back at a reasonable time, of course. Long as you
	ABIGAIL
I'm gonna be <i>safe</i> , mom.	
	BELLADONNA
Well, alright then. This'll be later t	oday, then?
	ABIGAIL
Uh, yeah? I don't know, like a co	uple hours after noon, probably.

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Oh, that's alright, then. Before you go, dear, could you—

ABIGAIL

Yeah, yeah. I'll feed the giant again.

BELLADONNA

Atta girl.

Both sit in silence for a few seconds. Then a sound of rumbling and creaking wood is heard, ABIGAIL and BELLADONNA reacting as if the room they're in is shaking. It subsides, and both characters slowly right themselves.

BELLADONNA

Oh, is that—

CHRISTIAN bursts in from stage left, frantic. He pants for a few seconds, then yells.

CHRISTIAN

I THINK THE GIANT'S HUNGRY!

BELLADONNA turns to give ABIGAIL a fierce, disapproving look.

ABIGAIL

Wh— I was gonna! Geez, why don't you have any trust in me?!

BELLADONNA

Why don't I trust you?! Abigail Allastacia, you told me you fed it!

ABIGAIL

I basically did! Like, I was literally going to right after!

The room shakes again, the sound and motion more violent. There's the sound of something wooden snapping and falling to the ground.

ABIGAIL

I'm going! I'm going! Geez.

ABIGAIL exits stage right. CHRISTIAN stares, terrified, at BELLADONNA.

BELLADONNA

Oh, she'll take care of it. Thank you, Chrisie. Say, you know Delilah? The Wells' girl?

CHRISTIAN gives an apprehensive nod.

BELLADONNA

Oh, good. You can just let her know Abi can't make it, hm? That's a good lad.