

NOBODY, NOBODY

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EXT. ELI FALLS - DAY

We open on a small town. Cookie cutter houses among suburban streets. Homey storefronts and mom and pop shops. The entrance to the town features A "Welcome to ELI FALLS" sign. A slogan reads: "No matter what-- You're always home!"

REVEAL: A CYHRON of a Timer counting down from ten minutes.

INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY

A shaggy haired STUDENT in a cap and gown walks onstage. He's confident and cute in a way that's only kind of arrogant.

GABBY (V.O)

Dear Hunter Dweck, you want to know why I love you? Let me count the ways.

EXT. FIELD - NIGHT (FLASHBACK)

Hunter horses around with his lacrosse buddies after a win.

GABBY (V.O)

Number one: Hunter Dweck, is the worst lacrosse player on Earth. He only made our schools team because the real players like him so much.

HUNTER

I definetly helped from the bench. My cheers really put us over the top.

INT. MOVIE THEATER - NIGHT (FLASHBACK)

Hunter sits in a movie theater alone. He watches a screening of *Rear Window*, utterly captivated.

GABBY (V.O)

Number two: Hunter isn't awkward about going to movies alone. Three: If the film isn't in black and white and/or directed by Hitchcock, Hunter won't hear of it. He's ended friendships with people who love Marvel movies.

A few seats behind Hunter sits GABBY (15, brimming with anxiety and faux teen cynicism). She ignores the movie and is laser focused on Hunter.

GABBY (V.O) (CONT'D)
Four: He hates Marvel Movies.

INT. HOME - DAY (FLASHBACK)

Gabby steps off her school bus. Next door, Hunter and LILA (chubby and sweet) are about to enter Lila's home, holding hands and laughing.

GABBY (V.O)
Number five: Hunter has a big dumb
goofy heart. When he loves you, he
loves you with his whole being.

Lila notices Gabby staring at them. Lila smiles and waves.

LILA
Hey Maggie.

Hunter waves too as a reflex. They enter Lila's home. Gabby just stands there. It was an honest mistake that crushes her.

INT. KITCHEN - DAY (FLASHBACK)

Gabby reads a Post It note taped to the fridge: *Working late. Figure out dinner for yourself.*

Gabby opens the fridge to find nothing but a bottle of water and a can of baked beans. She sighs.

INT. LILA'S BEDROOM - NIGHT (FLASHBACK)

Hunter and Lila are both hard at work studying for finals. Lila pokes at Hunter's ribs. He giggles uncontrollably. She smiles at him.

GABBY (V.O)
Number six: Hunter is incredibly
ticklish and not ashamed of it.

Pull out to reveal: Gabby, next door in her own bedroom, sitting in the dark with a telescope pointed at Lila's room.

From the telescope POV: Hunter and Lila take a break and move to her bed, removing their shirts. Gabby puts the telescope away and goes to bed. She glares at the ceiling.

GABBY (V.O) (CONT'D)
Number seven: Hunter is so open
that he shows his vulnerable side
to people who don't deserve it.
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GABBY (V.O) (CONT'D)
When we're together, I'll teach you
how to be more guarded. It'll save
your life one day.

Gabby stares at the telescope, tempted but fights the urge.

INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT (FLASHBACK)

Hunter walks through an end of summer house party. Loud music blaring and teens drinking.

GABBY (V.O)
Number eight: After his mom was
killed by a drunk driver, Hunter
swore to himself that he would
never drink a drop of alcohol.
Which is very hard to do when
you're on the lacrosse team.

He smiles and jokes with his friends, while hiding how uncomfortable he is with all the booze. Hunter stops walking, noticing something. He enters a room.

INT. BEDROOM - CONTINUOUS

Gabby sits in a bedroom in the dark. She looks up, tears in her eyes. Hunter stands at her doorway, the party behind him.

HUNTER
You okay?

GABBY (V.O)
Number nine: Even though you didn't
know my name, you helped me through
one of the worst times of my life.

INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY (PRESENT)

Back to graduation. Hunter, back in a cap and gown, walks through the stage. He grins ear to ear on the best day of his life. He reaches out as the PRINCIPAL hands him his diploma.

CHYRON re-appears: The timer counts down from ten seconds.

Gabby sits in the audience, smiling proudly. As she points her camera ready to document this for her scrapbook--

GABBY (V.O)
There's only one thing I don't love
about Hunter Dweck.

The timer hits Zero. Then--

Gabby blinks, confused. Everything and everyone is the same-- same crowd, same Principal, the same auditorium-- expect a completely different STUDENT is handed a diploma, taking the place where Hunter stood just a millisecond ago.

GABBY (V.O) (CONT'D)
Hunter Dweck doesn't exist.

Gabby rubs her eyes and then looks around for Hunter but finds nothing. As the oblivious audience cheers for the graduating students, Gabby sits alone, lost and untethered.