

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY (REVISED)

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1 INT. INT. DESK HALLWAY - DAY**1**

The environment is bright, pink, and vibrant.

A pair of petite hands wraps a fork and knife into a red napkin and ties it with a white ribbon.

They start to write on a small piece of paper and fold it. These petite hands belong to the young woman, a starry-eyed romantic.

The young woman gets up from the desk and takes the note.

2 INT. DINING ROOM - DAY**2**

The young woman sets the wrapped utensils beside some plates on the table. She is wearing a floral dress, looking perfect and pretty. The young woman places the note on the table, in front of the other plate.

She sits at the end, with her back straight and arms resting gently on the table, looking satisfied with the arrangement. She picks up her phone from beside her to text her partner.

YOUNG WOMAN (TEXT MESSAGE)

Hey Babe! I made your favorite today!

PARTNER (TEXT MESSAGE)

Cool

The young woman is thrilled to know her partner is satisfied. She leaves the table to open the fridge. She grabs a cold bottle of wine and places it near her partner's side of the table. She looks at the table again to admire its perfection and leaves the room.

3 INT. LAUNDRY ROOM - DAY**3**

The young woman takes some clothes out of the dryer and folds them. Her partner's clothes are perfectly folded, while hers are in a messy laundry basket pile. She leaves with both her and her partner's clothes.

The young woman tidies up the laundry room, ensuring it's impeccable and clean.

4 INT. KITCHEN - DAY**4**

The young woman wipes the counters of her kitchen and then packs the recipe papers into a neat pile off the side of the counter.

5 INT. DINING ROOM - DAY

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The young woman, with excitement, picks up her phone from the table and calls her partner. There is no answer - she has become concerned and calls him again. Still no answer and she becomes anxious. The young woman sits at her side of the table to text her partner.

YOUNG WOMAN (TEXT MESSAGE)

Hey

PARTNER (TEXT MESSAGE)

Can't talk, busy

YOUNG WOMAN (TEXT MESSAGE)

What do you want for dessert?

The young woman waits for a response. A minute has passed, and there was no response. She waited for 3 minutes, then minutes, and then another 3 minutes for her partner to respond. There was nothing but a "read" under her message.

The young woman, with sorrow and disappointment, pretends to shrug it off and slightly smile.

FADE TO (TIME SKIP):

6 INT. DINING ROOM - DAY

6

The young woman is pacing back and forth in front of the table while fidgeting with her ring.

FADE TO (TIME SKIP):

The young woman continues to tweak the arrangement of the table.

FADE (TIME SKIP)

The young woman stops to take a couple of pictures.

FADE (TIME SKIP)

The young woman is sitting down. She texts her partner again and stares at it for a few moments before it slips out of her hands in front of her.

CUT TO BLACK

7 INT. DINING ROOM - EVENING**7**

The young woman's view of her environment is no longer bright, pink, and vibrant. It has become jaded, dull, and lifeless.

The champagne bottle is warm. The young woman sits at the end of the table with a dull expression on her face.

The Room continues to be lifeless. The young woman picks up the phone and sees a message from her partner.

PARTNER (TEXT MESSAGE)

Out with the boys tonight

The young woman places the phone back on the table. Her body is slumped in her chair and void of emotion. She gets up from the table and picks up the bottle as she leaves the room.

The note that is on her partner's plate reads:

"HAPPY ANNIVERSARY"

THE END