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Cast of Characters:
Cindy and Cathy, two high school cheerleaders
Marcie and Gina, two Goth-like college roommates
Susan and Pam, two young mothers
Christine and Charlotte, two middle-aged business women
Netty and Gladys, two elderly women in a retirement home

Settings:
A high school gymnasium; Victoria’s Secret; an Italian bistro; the break room at a law office; a retirement home

LIFE IS FULL OF SPIRIT

Cathy: Oh my gosh! Cindy, you’ll never guess who I’m going to prom with!
Cindy: Oh my gosh! Cathy, like, you’ll never guess who I’m going to prom with!
Cathy: Like, you got a date too???
Cindy: Oh my gosh! (Pauses, reflects, and said with a little attitude.) Cathy, like, don’t act so totally shocked.
Cathy: Cindy, like, I am so sorry. I totally forget how you’re so overly sensitive that you make me want to barf!
Cindy: Oh my gosh! Cathy, like, if you were being more totally honest with yourself, you would have, like, said that you totally forgot how I’m so overly sensitive it makes you want to bark!
Cathy: Oh my gosh! And like, I totally forgot what an incredibly insensitive cow you are!
Cindy: At least I totally don’t give, like, the milk away for free! (Pause) Oh my gosh! Like, I feel totally horrible!
Cathy: Oh my gosh! Like, I totally do, too!
Cindy: Cathy, you are like my BFF and I totally can’t believe we are, like, having an argument at what should totally be one of the most, like, important bonding moments in our beautiful and totally full of cheer teenage years!
Cathy: Cindy, we are totally BFF”s and I can’t believe we are having, like, an argument at what is totally one of the most important, like, bonding moments in our beautiful and full of cheer
teenage years!

Cindy: Oh my gosh! Then tell me! Who are you going to prom with?

Cathy: No. You tell me who you’re going to prom with!

Cindy: Okay. Let’s, like, both say his name totally at the same time! Okay?

Cathy: Oh my gosh! Okay!

Both: Ready? Set? O-kay! Dallon! (Both girls react sharply.)

Cindy: Okay, like, you’re going to our senior prom with Dallan Foster, quarterback on the football team?

Cathy: No! Oh my gosh! I can’t believe you think I’d go out with, like, a total meat-head like that! I’m going to prom with, like, Dallan Baker, the totally fine captain of the hockey team!

Cindy: Oh my gosh! For a second, like, I totally thought you were going to say Dallan Crane from the chess club!

Cathy: As if! So, like, let’s go to the mall and, like, totally check out the new prom dresses!

Cindy: Totally! But only if, like, we stop at the smoothie place and get an Italian ice first.

Cindy: Like, that’s totally something to cheer about! Let’s go!

SHOPPING AT VICTORIA’S SECRET

Marcie: Gina, tell me again why we’re shopping at Victoria’s Secret?

Gina: Thad said that I was his queen, and I needed to start dressing the part.

Marcie: Well, did you tell Thad they don’t sell crowns and scepters here?

Gina: No. I just thought if Thad’s willing to give me his credit card to go shopping, then who am I to argue.

Marcie: (Holding up a lacy bra.) Hey, Gina, what do you think of this one?

Gina: Nice. You know, Marcie, I don’t get it. Why do we refer to a bra as singular and panties in the plural?

Marcie: I don’t know. If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular? Hey, check out these new swimsuits!

Gina: Oh, no! That’s the last thing I want to be shopping for!