

# Crash & Bernstein

INT. LIVING ROOM

AMANDA READS A MAGAZINE. WYATT HEADS FOR THE FRONT DOOR, LISTENING TO HIS IPOD AND DANCING/BOPPING HIS HEAD.

AMANDA

Why are you dancing?

WYATT

I wasn't. I was just... bopping.

AMANDA

That's not bopping. This is bopping.

SHE BOPS HER HEAD A FEW TIMES.

AMANDA (CONT'D)

You were doing this.

SHE IMITATES THE WAY WYATT WAS DANCING.

AMANDA (CONT'D)

That's dancing. Just not dancing you

should let anybody else see. Ever.

WYATT

O-kay. Thanks for the feedback.

AMANDA

(SINCERE) You're welcome. (THEN) Where

are you going anyway?

WYATT

To a party?

AMANDA

Wearing that?

WYATT

Uh... apparently not.

Amanda  
Rev.  
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AMANDA

Wyatt, I've told you - you should always consult me before you pick out your clothes. Do you know how lucky you are to live with a fashion expert?

WYATT

So lucky?

AMANDA

So. Lucky. I am a master at matching outfits with occasions. Just tell me what kind of party it is, and I'll tell you exactly what to change into.

WYATT

That's crazy. It's not like you know every piece of clothing I own.

AMANDA

Yes, I do. I go through your closet while you sleep.

WYATT

You what?!

AMANDA

Somebody has to Wyatt. Somebody has to care, because clearly you don't. Now what kind of party is it?

WYATT

It's a birthday party for a kid in my class.

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AMANDA

Cool kid or nerd?

WYATT

In-between.

AMANDA

Location?

WYATT

Bowling alley.

AMANDA

Food?

WYATT

Pizza.

AMANDA

All boys, or girls too?

WYATT

10 boys. 4 girls.

AMANDA

Wear your black t-shirt with the bowling pin decal because it's ironic and won't stain if you get pizza on it. Your grey corduroys because they make your butt look good, and the ladies will notice. And whatever you do, don't wear those socks with the bunnies on them because you might bowl without shoes, and you do not want people calling you "Bunny Socks" for the rest of your childhood.

WYATT

Wow. You're good.

AMANDA

It's what I do. (THEN) Now just in  
case there's dancing at the party, let  
me teach you some moves. I call this  
"The Amanda."

SHE DOES A COOL DANCE MOVE. WYATT CAN'T KEEP UP. SHE STOPS.

AMANDA (CONT'D)

You know what, just stick to bopping.

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Amanda  
Revised

Sides  
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Amanda  
is not  
mean  
she is  
trying to  
be helpful  
in her  
own  
older  
sister  
way...

INT. LIVING ROOM

WYATT PLAYS A VIDEO GAME ON THE TV. AMANDA WALKS PAST,  
STOPS, AND LOOKS AT THE SCREEN, CONFUSED. AFTER A BEAT:

AMANDA

(RE: GAME) Why would you do that?

WYATT

Do what?

AMANDA

Why would you go in the castle if you  
know the Zombie Queen is waiting for  
you in there?

WYATT

Because you get more points if you  
slay her in her lair.

AMANDA

But she's activated her invisibility  
crown. You'll never see her coming  
and she'll annihilate you with her  
Face-Melting Cannon. Do you want your  
face melted, Wyatt?

WYATT

No, but--

AMANDA

What you should do is wait outside the  
castle, lure her into the open with  
your Decoy Avatar, then chop her zombie  
head off with your Dagger of Doom.

WYATT

(ANNOYED) Do you wanna play instead?

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AMANDA

Ulch, no. Video games are stupid.

(THEN) By the way, let me know when you want to talk about planning your birthday party. I've already written up a suggested guest list.

WYATT

I was gonna just invite my whole class.

AMANDA

What?! Your entire class? That's the worst idea ever. How can you possibly send any hidden messages that way?

WYATT

I didn't really plan on sending messages. Just invitations.

AMANDA

Invitations are power! They are your greatest weapon in the battle that is middle school. A single invite can boost a kid's ego, or shatter the entire core of his being. Boost or shatter, Wyatt. You have to decide.

WYATT

Do I have to decide? I kinda just wanted to have a fun party.

AMANDA

(EASES UP) I'm sorry. I'm just looking out for you. I care about your future.

(MORE)

AMANDA (CONT'D)

I know I make being me look effortless,  
but it took a lot of work to achieve all  
this awesomeness. I don't want you to  
have to struggle to turn out like me.

WYATT

But... what if I don't want to turn  
out like you?

AMANDA

(STONE-FACED) What do you mean?

WYATT

I'm just saying that maybe I don't  
want to do things the way you do them.

AMANDA

I'm sorry, I'm not following.

WYATT

I don't want to be you, I want to be me!

AMANDA

Okay, you're saying words, but they're  
making like, no sense. (THEN) C'mon,  
let's go plan the menu for your party.

SHE TURNS OFF THE VIDEO GAME AND LEADS HIM OUT.

WYATT

(WEAK) I was about to get my high score.

AMANDA

(IGNORES) I'm leaning towards Mexican,  
but I haven't ruled out sushi...