

home at last
Kim Side

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INT. APARTMENT - DAY

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MIKE, 25, stands at the door with a HOMELESS MAN. They're in the middle of a silent, awkward moment.

FEMALE VOICE (O.S.)

Mike, have you seen my left shoe? I can't seem to find it -

KIM, 20s, bounds in next to Mike. She notices the Bum in the doorway.

KIM

...anywhere.

The homeless guy nods, polite.

KIM (CONT'D)

I don't have any money. I mean, I pretty much just use credit cards... If we gave you twenty dollars now, would you not come back for a year?

MIKE

Kim! This is my Dad. Dad, this is my room mate. Kim.

KIM

Excuse us for a minute.

Kim shuts the door.

INT. APARTMENT - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Kim looks at Mike, incredulous.

KIM

That guy is homeless.

MIKE

I know. But remember when I told you my deadbeat dad abandoned me at birth?

KIM

Not positive I was listening when you told me that, but go on.

MIKE

Well he's back. And I think I feel a real connection. I'm gonna ask him to move in.

KIM

Really? And where will Dad sleep?
How about in bed with me? That's
always been a fantasy of mine.

MIKE

Please. He'll take the couch.

KIM

How do you even know that guy's
your Dad?

MIKE

I just know, okay? Please. I need
this.

Kim looks at Mike with pity.

KIM

Mike... You can't... I know it must
have been hard growing up without a
male role model. I get that. No one
to teach you how to fight. No one
to play catch with. No one to be
disappointed in you when you never
really amounted to anything after
college. But you can't... You can't
just bring home every old alcoholic
you meet on the street and call him
Dad.

MIKE

No, I really think -

KIM

That guy's not gonna up fix your
child hood. He's not gonna un-break
your heart from when your first
girlfriend dumped you. He's not
gonna help you understand your
changing body as you become a man.
He's just going to come in here and
take a poop in our potted plant and
wait for us to call the cops. Don't
put yourself through that, okay?
Even if he is your real Dad, he's
not worth the potted plant.