

## EVAN AND PATRICE 1

EVAN: Appleton, Indiana. No, seriously. My parents split up, my life falls apart, and now I'm in a town where UFO's go to refuel!

PATRICE: Let me get this straight: your Mom decides to move to Appleton because her cousin Pam lives here?

EVAN: At least there's someone around here I can talk to. My next door neighbor, Patrice.

PATRICE: Wow. Sounds like the divorce got ugly.

EVAN: Ugly? My dad totally ruined our lives, and my mom's a mess. She went around the apartment cutting his head out of all the photos.

PATRICE: No!

EVAN: With her teeth!

PATRICE: No!

EVAN: She tells me we're leaving New York, but then she says, "It's your decision," which we all know is Jewish for "You're coming with me!" So she drags me away from my home and all my friends and now I have to have my Bar Mitzvah in Appleton, Indiana.

PATRICE : If it's so awful, just don't have it.

EVAN : Yeah, right. Try telling that to my Mom. For Jews, your Bar Mitzvah is the one day everything in your life is supposed to be happy and perfect.

PATRICE: See, Catholics don't have that day. It would go against everything we believe in.

EVAN: Besides, how hot your party is totally sets up how popular you'll be. So I need this one to be the best! The best DJ in the best ballroom at the best hotel...

PATRICE...which is The Best Western.

EVAN: Come on. There's got to be someplace in this town.

PATRICE :Sorry, but your choices are like my life here: limited.

## EVAN AND PATRICE 2

EVAN Patrice. Wait.

PATRICE I'm not talking to you.

EVAN Look, we're all going to the movies Friday night. Why don't you come? You can't stay mad at me forever.

PATRICE Just because Archie asked me to forgive you doesn't mean I will. Honestly, why would I go anywhere with you ever?

EVAN Because I messed up big time, and I want to make it up by asking you out.

PATRICE (Taken off guard) Asking me out?

EVAN Out.

PATRICE As in—"out" out?

EVAN That would work.

PATRICE I'll think about it. Don't get your hopes up. I doubt it. Probably not.

EVAN Oh yeah, she's coming. And sure, to the inexperienced eye, it may look like I just set Brett and Archie up to be on dates with the same girl, on the same night, in the same place. But what I really did was... (HE knows) Crap.

## ARCHIE AND PATRICE

ARCHIE Hey Patrice...wait.

PATRICE I don't want to talk now, Archie.

ARCHIE It's about Evan.

PATRICE Especially about Evan.

ARCHIE What he did, he really didn't mean it.

PATRICE Yeah, ripping up my invitation in front of everyone who hates me isn't what he meant.

ARCHIE Come on. You know you really like him.

PATRICE And why would you think that?

ARCHIE You said "I really like him." But maybe I read that one wrong.

PATRICE Why are you sticking up for him?

ARCHIE He's a nice guy. He's new. He made a mistake. And I think we're going to be friends.

PATRICE Good luck with that.

ARCHIE Come on. Give him another chance.

PATRICE Another chance? No, sorry.