

For the Better
Side 4 – April, May, Claire

*TEGAN exits and the bell rings again. APRIL's other friends
CLAIRE and MAY stand talking and APRIL runs on.*

APRIL

Hey! How was the day off?

CLAIRE

Ah yes. Sleeping in was truly fantastic. All the way to two.

APRIL

Okay, *bragging*. How bout you May?

MAY

Well, let's see. I studied. Then I studied. Then I studied. Oh and then I studied.

APRIL

Worth it?

MAY

My tutor thinks I'll be okay. (*APRIL clears her throat*) I also think I'll do okay.

CLAIRE

How about you? How was your exam?

APRIL

It was fine, everyone was a bit anxious but over all I'm sure I-

CLAIRE

Yeah yeah fine, how was *Tegan*.

APRIL

Shhhh! They go here too, you know.

MAY

Whatever, no one cares.

APRIL

I care! Code name.

CLAIRE

Fineeee. How's Pineapple fizz?

APRIL

Really?

CLAIRE

Hey, if you want to pretend a bunch of sleep deprived, caffeine addicts care about *your* love life enough to need a *code name* for your crush, I'm picking a fun one.

APRIL

Fair enough I guess. And *they're* great thanks.

MAY

You know what? You should tell him.

APRIL

WHAT?! (*A few people turn their heads and she lowers her voice*) Are you freaking insane?

MAY

Are *you*? It's your last year. Just live a little! Go crazy!

APRIL

First off, I'm not going to "live a little". If anything, twelfth grade, lock in. Secondly, if I was going to "live a little" it wouldn't be with my life long best friend. And thirdly, they use they/ them pronouns.

MAY

Whatever, just...it seems like he-

APRIL

May.

MAY

Sorry, *they* like you too.

APRIL

Really? I mean...maybe. But, how do you even tell someone that you like them?

CLAIRE

With an extreme gesture and musical number. (*To MAY and APRIL's confused faces*)
What, have you never seen High school musical?

MAY

Well how do you think Tegan wants to be asked out?

APRIL

If I knew *that* we wouldn't be having this conversation.

CLAIRE

I'm telling you! Just choreograph a big dance number and get flowers to rain from the ceiling. It literally works *every time*.

APRIL

I shudder for the day you get a crush and *actually* pull that move.

MAY

Well hold on. You know Tegan best don't you? Genuinely what do you think they'd want?

APRIL

Not a dance number and flowers raining down from the ceiling?

CLAIRE

Booo. You're no fun. Okay so what would you say to them?

APRIL

I don't know...