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Vanessa Sides 1.
(I/A)

VANESSA SCENE #1

VANESSA

Dad, Pryor and I were talking --
we're gonna need new computers.

PRESTON

Good luck with that.

VANESSA

We need you to buy them.

PRESTON

Looks like your luck just ran out.

VANESSA

But Dad, with new computers, we can
get better grades, go to top
colleges and become strong black
role models.

PRESTON

Martin Luther King didn't have a
laptop -- he turned out alright.

VANESSA

Dad, it's not fair. You made us
move to Beverly Hills. I have no
friends, and the only safe way to
meet people is on the internet.

PRESTON

Safe? Remind me to tivo "To Catch
a Predator" for you.

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VANESSA

(DRAMATIC) I will be in my room...
by myself, friendless and
computerless. Have a good day.

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VANESSA SCENE #2

VANESSA (CONT'D)

Dad, we've decided to give the computers back. We shouldn't have gone to Mom after you told us no. We're sorry.

PRESTON

Alright. See, just 'cause we live in Beverly Hills now doesn't mean we're gonna go on some crazy shopping sprees. We're only gonna get what we need.

VANESSA

But Dad, you have a plasma TV... in your bathroom.

PRESTON

I need that. (BEAT) And look, since y'all came straight with me, I'm gonna let you keep the computers.

VANESSA

Really?! Dad, you're the best!

PRESTON

Who's the best?

VANESSA

You are!