ACT TWO
SCENE D

INT. BARB'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - NEXT MORNING

BARB'S CLEANING UP A ROOM THAT'S ALREADY PRETTY CLEAN. SHE HAS A
COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME ON IN THE BACKGROUND AND WEARS A VERY
BELOVED OLD MICHIGAN SWEATSHIRT. DORIA ENTERS.

(DORIA)

Hey, how'd it go last night, Mom?

(JOKINGLY) You hook-up?

BARB

Yeah, right. With a hot bath and a bad
book.

(DORIA)

You still wear Dad's old sweatshirt when
you watch the games, huh?

BARB

I know, it's weird.

(DORIA)

Still smells like him. Not very good.

THEY BOTH LAUGH. BARB TRIES TO BE CASUAL.

BARB

So... how was the library last night?

(DORIA)

Good, I guess.

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BARB

You study hard for the test?

( DORIA )

Sure.

BORB

How's Sam?

( DORIA )

Fine.

BORB

You guys' ve been going steady for a while --

( DORIA )

No one calls it that. It's just a thing.

BORB

So, how is your thing with Sam?

( DORIA )

That's not what I meant. I think I'm going to make a grilled cheese.

BORB


( DORIA )

(ANXIOUS TO WRAP THIS UP) Got it.

AS DORIA HEADS TO THE KITCHEN...

BORB

(BLURTING) Are you having sexual intercourse?
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(DORIA)

(INCREDOULOUS) what?

BARB

Are you and Sam making love? Are you lovers?

(DORIA)

Oh my god.

BARB

I trust you. I do. And my feeling is it's best to wait awhile...

(DORIA)

Stop! I'm not talking about this with you. Not that there's even anything to talk about...

BARB

...it's important for you to take proper precautions for pregnancy and STDs --

(DORIA)

(HANDS OVER EARS) Ahhhhh!

AS DORIA RUNS OUT...

BARB

Glad we could talk.

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ACT FOUR
SCENE М

INT. BARB'S BEDROOM - LATER THAT MORNING

BARB'S HAS HER PJ'S ON AS SHE GETS READY FOR BED. DORIA ENTERS.

(DORIA)

Going back to bed, Mom?

BARB

Yeah, had kind of a restless night.

(DORIA)

I was thinking about what you did.

BARB

(A LITTLE NERVOUS) Oh?

(DORIA)

Yeah, you know, going out on a date. Means you're starting to be open to someone besides Daddy.

BARB

Oh, honey. Does that make you feel sad...?

(DORIA)

I think it's so brave.

BARB

You do?

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(DORIA)

Yeah. And someday you'll be ready for even more than that. You know, like the stuff you tried talking to me about...

BARB

(UNCOMFORTABLE) Right.

(DORIA)

I want you to know, I'm here for you.

BARB

Got it.

(DORIA)

I mean, my feeling is that it's best to wait awhile, but if you ever want to talk...

BARB

Thank you, that means a lot.

DORIA GIVES BARB A HUG. DURING THE HUG, DORIA STARTS TO SLOWLY TURN HER MOTHER UNTIL BARB'S BACK IS TO THE DOOR.

(DORIA)

(LYING) And when the time comes, you're the first person, I'm going to talk to about it.

THEN WE SEE DORIA'S BOYFRIEND, SAM, SNEAKING DOWN THE HALLWAY. HE WAVES TO DORIA AND EXITS.

BARB

(LYING) Yeah, me too, honey. Me too.

DORIA EXITS. BARB CLIMBS INTO BED IN HER PJ'S, TURNS OFF THE LIGHT. A BEAT THEN, SHE SNAPS THE LIGHT BACK ON.

(IMPORTANT NOTE)