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INT. PARTY - NIGHT

Typical parents-are-gone, weekend house party. Music playing and unsupervised teens doing things they shouldn't be. KRISTINA (13) tough but nice with Brenna and PRESTON (14). He's sweet and a little naive.

BRENNA  
C'mon, Kris. It's your turn.

KRISTINA  
Could we possibly do something more mature? Like maybe finger painting.

BRENNA  
You know what I think?

Brenna drags Kristina to the closet door.

BRENNA (CONT'D)  
I think you're scared.

KRISTINA  
Please. It's kissing in a closet. Why would I be scared?

BRENNA  
Prove it. You and Preston. Seven minutes.

PRESTON  
What? Why me?

BRENNA  
'Cause I think you two would make a cute couple. *Prestina!* See, I already shipped your names.

WHOLE GROUP  
(CHANTING)  
Pres-teen-ah! Pres-teen-ah!

Preston and Kristina are pushed into..

INT. CLOSET - CONTINUOUS

They stand uncomfortably close for an awkward silent BEAT.

KRISTINA  
I'm not kissing you.

PRESTON  
Okay.

KRISTINA

Oh...I wasn't expecting you to say "okay".

PRESTON

No, I'm totally cool with just standing here.

They do that - just stand there. Then...

KRISTINA

If you didn't want to kiss, then why'd you come in here?

PRESTON

I don't know. Peer pressure? I guess I didn't want anyone to think I like didn't... y'know... I just didn't want to be weird.

There's a KNOCK at the door!

BRENNA (O.S.)

Hey you two! Less talky. More kissy.

KRISTINA

Well, you should know, now you are being weird.

PRESTON

Me?

KRISTINA

Yes! You're supposed to try to make out with me.

PRESTON

You said it wasn't going to happen!

KRISTINA

That was when I thought you wanted to!

PRESTON

I do want to! I'm just scared --

Oops! After that slip, Preston knows he has to say the rest:

PRESTON (CONT'D)

Look, I've never kissed anyone, okay? It's a secret and I'd appreciate it if you'd just keep it to yourself.

KRISTINA  
What's the big deal?

PRESTON  
It's freakin' embarrassing. Most of my friends had their first kiss in sixth or seventh grade.

KRISTINA  
You're right. You're ancient already.

PRESTON  
Please don't tease me right now.

KRISTINA  
Want some advice? Pick a girl, any girl, it can be one you don't even like, and just get it over with. Like ripping off a band-aide. Quick and painless.

During her advice, Preston, fully committed, leans into her for his big moment. She notices him just before he plants one on her.

KRISTINA (CONT'D)  
Whoa!

Pushing him off:

KRISTINA (CONT'D)  
I didn't mean me. Pick someone that doesn't know you're a lip virgin. That's way too much pressure.

PRESTON  
Oh. My bad.