THE MIRRORS WE FACE

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Everything psychologically roots in the home.

CHARACTERS

(In order of appearance)

KALI

REINA

LUCA

LUCA'S FRIEND

TAXI DRIVERS

ADA

EMMA

EMMA'S BOYFRIEND

EILEEN

CHURCHGOERS

PASTOR

NURSE 1

NURSE 2

POLA

NURSE 3

JESSICA

NURSE 4

NURSE 5

DOCTOR LYCHNOS

AZAZEL

SILVIA

ABEL

REMY

REMY'S FRIENDS

SEIN

STRANGER

PEDRO

NESTOR

SECURITY GUARD

SEIN'S BOYFRIEND

DRUNK MAN

POLICEMEN

ER WOMAN

POLICEWOMAN

NURSE 6

ER PATIENT

DOCTOR AYAD

ELISA

DOCTOR BALAN

DOCTOR PEREZ

KALI'S FATHER

I. PERCEPTION

1 INT. LIVING ROOM (BERLIN APARTMENT) - DAY

It is a warm summer day in Neukölln, Berlin. Natural light spills into KALI's apartment living room. There are two-faced windows that reveal West Berlin-style apartment buildings across the street.

Inside the room, there is a couch, two shelves, and KALI's writing desk. KALI enters the room and opens one of the windows. She takes a seat at her desk, opens her notebook, and writes down ideas.

A bee flies into the room and lands on KALI's desk-catching her attention. It flies around the room and lands on the open window. KALI walks towards the window, noticing that it is trapped between the two faces, unable to get out. KALI opens the window facing the outside world, hoping to the bee free.

Her phone rings. She walks back to her desk to answer.

KALI

Hello?

2 INT. STUDY ROOM (BROOKLYN HOME) - DAY

KALI's mother, REINA, sits at her work desk in the study room of their family home in Brooklyn, New York. Lined up behind her is an old bookshelf. There is visible clutter all around the desk with a stack of Christianity books sitting next to it. A large humidifier is turned on.

3 INT. SPLIT SCREEN (BERLIN APARTMENT/BROOKLYN HOME) - DAY

REINA

Hi Kali.

 \mathtt{KALI}

Hi mother.

REINA

How are you?

KALI

I'm ok. I was just about to start writing about this b—

REINA

How's everything with Luca?

KALI

Things are fine. We are fine.

REINA

Ok. Tell me something.

KALI

(annoyed)

Like what?

REINA

Something exciting.

KALI

Well, I'm in the middle of brainstorming for my writing submission.

REINA

How's that going?

KALI

It's... going. I just feel a bit interrupted right now, that's all.

REINA

By me?

KALI

No. In general, I just feel sidetracked.

REINA

(laughs)

It's probably because you've left me all alone here in New York.

KALI

Wait, what?

REINA

Nothing, I was just joking.

KALI

Did you say that I've left you all alone?

REINA

It was a joke.

KALI

I need to finish writing this piece before it gets late. I have an event before my class and I-

REINA

I'm sorry, cookie. I'm sorry, I-

KALI

You didn't even let me finish my thought.

REINA

You never let me finish my sentences, either.

KALI

What?

REINA

You never let me finish my sentences, either.

KALI

(annoyed)

No, I heard you. I... can we talk later?

REINA

Sure, I didn't mean to bother you,
I-

KALI

No, you didn't bother me. I just have an event before my class and I-

REINA

An event?

KALI

Yes, I was invited to-

REINA

You only just arrived. How did you get invited to an event?

KALI

I have friends here... other than Luca and his friends.

REINA

(laughs)

I know, I'm just kidding. (long pause)

Hey. I can tell something's wrong. Let's talk when you're in a better mood.

KALI

Sure.

REINA

Ok, bye.

KALI

Thank you. Bye.

REINA hangs up the phone and goes back to work.

4 INT. LIVING ROOM (BERLIN APARTMENT) - DAY

KALI

(picks her pencil up)

The bee!

KALI hops out of her seat to the window, carrying her notebook. The bee is gone. She looks out the window and smiles. She walks back to her desk, packs her bag, and leaves the room.