

# Caught Wet-Handed

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(Everyone is sitting around the fire in the Gryffindor common room. Bea is sitting and cuddling in Robert's lap on a leather chair, Annabelle and Viktor are playing Divination Bingo to study for a test, Maya and Marius are sitting on a couch discussing how obnoxious Enjolras is, Violet is inventing a machine that can put coals into a fireplace, Klaus is reading about ancient runes, and Sunny is gazing out the window at the snowfall.)

Viktor- Question: Vat sport will I play?

Annabelle- Um... Hang on, gimme a minute...

Viktor- (Flips hourglass timer)

Annabelle- (Looks into crystal ball) It's kinda foggy...umm...I see a brown ball...football!

Viktor- Wrong!

Annabelle- But... that's what the crystal ball told me!

Viktor- Nope! I like Queedehtch!

Annabelle- (Crosses arms) Vikky-poo, that's NOT fair!

Viktor- Needair is yerr prediction!

Annabelle- Whatever. Next question. (Draws card) Who will I marry when I'm older? (Bats eyelashes, leans forward)

Viktor- Hmmm....

Annabelle- Just a friendly reminder...(Whips out chainsaw from behind back, turns it on)

Viktor- ME!

Annabelle- Good boy. (Tosses chocolate frog into Viktor's mouth, Viktor catches it, slurping it up; rolls bingo ball cage, ball comes out) G27.

Viktor- BEAN-GO!

Bertie Bott's bean- (Rotten and on floor) You can't make me leave!

Maya- (Rolls eyes) I know... I mean, why does Enjolras have to scream?  
Gosh.

Marius- I know! And in Herbology, you could hear him OVER the screaming mandrake plants and THROUGH your earmuffs!

Maya- (Shakes head)

Sunny- Laksjcat. (I like snow.)

Violet- Klaus, do you think this peg could be a big tighter to reduce the friction between these two wires? It's stumped me for the whole evening.

Klaus- (Waves hand carelessly, eyes don't leave book) Hold on. Kinda focused.

Violet- (Frowns)

Robert- No, YOU'RE more talented...

Bea- (Through giggles) No, YOU'RE more talented!

Robert- We're BOTH talented!

Bea- No, we're BOTH talented!

Robert- Awww... (Both hug)

(Silence, Violet breaks it)

Violet- Gosh, what a quiet, peaceful-

(Raoul, Barney, and Bob burst into room)

Violet- ...evening.

Raoul- (Tips hat) Evening to YOU, my dear!

Everyone- (Rolls eyes)

Barney- Guess what?! (Silence) GUESS WHAT?! (Silence, Barney stomps feet fast, whole room shakes) GUESSSS WHAT?!?!?

Everyone- (Panicky) What?!

Barney- I got kicked out of dinner for eating a house elf! Isn't that awesome?!

Raoul- Yeah! And Hagrid kicked me out of detention, cuz there was this big creature with wings and talons, and I started calling it an idiot, then it charged at me, but Hagrid saved me. Then I called him an idiot, because only a dummy would get in the way of a big bird like that.

Bob- Hagrid let me name it. It's called... Big Bird.

Annabelle- (Sarcastic) Fascinating.

Bob- I cannot express my immense gratitude.

Raoul- Well, sorry. Moron chat time is over. Time for our baseball lessons.

Maya- (Turns around from chat with Marius) But it's 8:00...

Annabelle- And it's snowing...

Bea- AND Barney doesn't even have arms long enough for baseball!

Barney- Yes I do! Watch! I can touch my bellybutton! (Searches for it) Well, it's gotta be here somewhere...

Bob- Try roll #218.

Barney- (Finds it, pokes bellybutton) Thanks Bob.

Bob- Anytime.

Raoul- Well, best be leaving! (Bob hops out, Raoul struts out in his stiletto heels, and Barney sidesteps out the door, his nose banging into it, runs after Bob and Raoul since it took him a while to exit)

Barney- (Running after them) Hey guys! I bumped my nose again! I think I'm getting skinnier!

Bob- (Heard from down the hallway) That's great, Barney!

Viktor- I ween!!! I ween!!!

Annabelle- I wanna rematch! (Viktor cavorts around room bragging)  
Weiner.

(McGonnagal's voice is heard over magical speaker system)

McGonnagal- Is this Gryffindor common room?

Maya- Yup.

McGonnagal- All boy 6th year Gryffindor prefects are to report to the Prefect's bathroom promptly... promptly now for their bath. Thank you.

Robert- I hate to leave you Bea.

Bea- I'll wait for you, love! (Robert and she hug, Robert walks out of room)

Viktor- Scrub a dub dub! I handsome in tub!

Maya- (Holds up hands) T M I.

(Viktor, Marius, and Klaus exit the common room. Klaus takes book with him. Christine enters with her quilting kit)

Christine- Hello girls!

Maya- Privot!

Annabelle- Hullo-balloo!

Bea- Sup?

Christine- Well, I thought I'd come in here for some quilting time. Just tucked in the twins.

Bea- (Sits criss-crossed, playing with Robert's locket around her neck)  
Watcha making?

Christine- A nice soft quilt for the babies.

Maya- Ooh! What material?

Christine- It's satin, and I'm stuffing it with downy geese feathers.

Bea- That astounds me.

Annabelle- (Nods in agreement)

Violet- So, where's Phantom?

Christine- Talking with the Headmaster. Two rebellious girls spray painted Snape's office, saying all these nasty comments. A few were even swear words!

Maya- (Scratches chin)

Christine- They found some fingerprints, though.

(Bea and Annabelle exchange nervous glances)

Christine- By the way, did you know that this week is---

Bea- Tube top week? Yeah, I know!

Christine- I was wearing one earlier on today. After subbing for Trelawney, of course.

Maya- (Nods, looks nervous) It's OPTIONAL, though, right Christine?

Christine- Of course! (Laughs. Liam is heard crying upstairs) Whoops, I'll be back.

Bea (Looks at Christine walking upstairs. Once she's gone, she leans in and says) I'll pay whoever wears a tube top five sickles.

Annabelle- (Tears off robes to reveal Good Charlotte tee) Whoops. Next layer. (Tears off tee to show tube top, extends hand, palm up) Ahem.

Bea- (Drops sickles into Annabelle's hand) You have to wear it for the WHOLE week! With the exception of when you wash it of course.

Annabelle- Deal! (Both do handshake, finish it by spitting into fire as Violet is testing out coal dispenser gadget, fire goes out)

Violet- (Sighs) Why do I even bother?

Annabelle- Come on Violet! You could use the money for building materials!

Violet- (Ponders) Can it be a black-corset-ish tube top?

Bea- Sure!

Violet- I'm in. (Bea pays her as well, all girls turn to Maya)

Maya- (Sinks into couch, shuts eyes tightly) Happy place, Maya...think of your happy place.

Bea- It's tube top time, Maya.

Maya- No! No! NO!

Annabelle- (Snickers maliciously) Oh, yes.

Violet- Russians wear tube tops.

Maya- No they don't!

Bea- Hang on. (Whips out folder to hold up a picture of Svetlana Zakharova in a tube top)

Maya- (Snatches tube top, changes into it) My pay?

Bea- (Drops coins in hand)

Maya- Hey, this is actually quite comfortable! (Walks over to mirror) And look! I can see if my shoulders are down or not in fifth position!

Bea & Annabelle- She's hooked. (Slap high fives)

Christine- (Returns, laughs) Well, you four seem to have gotten the hang of tube top week, now, haven't you?

Sunny- Ahem. (Is in tube top with gray lace)

Bea- I look simply ravishing in navy blue!

Christine- I have my white one on! (Looks at clock) Oh, gosh... McGonnagal told me to tell you girls to get all ready for bed by nine.

Maya- (Yawns) I think I'm going to hit the hay.

Bea- Me too.

Annabelle- G'night Christine!

Violet- Don't let the nuts and bolts bite!

Maya- Or the bed bugs, for that matter.

## **Scene Two: Girl's Dormitories**

Maya- (Brushing hair, sighs, puts down brush) Do you know when the boys are going to return?

Bea- Haven't the foggiest.

Maya- Really? Usually Robert tells you what he's doing all the time...

Bea- Wait, I... I think I do know.

Annabelle- I'm confuzzled.

Violet- You're telling me...

Bea- Well, I just wanted to say "haven't the foggiest." Really, I DO know what they're doing.

Violet- What?

Maya- Yeah, what?

Bea- Annabelle, care to explain?

Annabelle- (Sits on bed, flicks off light, turns on flashlight that she holds under chin) It was a dark and stormy night...

Bea- (Heard in darkness) No, the other story.

Annabelle- Oh. Whoops. (Flicks on light, turns off flashlight) Well, they all decided to have some fun. Basically, they're having a pool party in the bathtub.

Maya- (Looks disgusted)

Bea- WITH swim trunks on.

Maya- (Relieved look) Well, how long is Marius---er, I mean, how long will they be gone?

Bea- They're doing a lock-in.

Violet- What's a lock in?

Annabelle- Jeez, you need to get out more.

Bea- A lock in is where they go around the school having fun. They don't sleep at all. (Mumbles) They're just lucky it's a Friday night...

Maya- That's stupid...we have winter mid-terms in only a month!

Annabelle- (Walks over to vanity where Maya is, pats Maya's shoulder) Yes...yes, it is stupid. But that's what the world is...stupid.

Bea- Now now... let's not get misanthropic. I love the world.

Annabelle- Me too!

(Silence, minus the crickets chirping)

Maya- Well, I'm going to bed. (Walks over, climbs into bed)

Violet- I'm with you there. (Pulls sheets over her)

Annabelle- (Cannonballs into bed)

Maya- I JUST folded over your sheets PERFECTLY...

Violet- Well, aren't you going to bed, Bea?

Bea- After I use my mouthwash! (Whips it out of pajama bottoms) Listerine, that is.

Maya- WHY do you keep them in---(Sighs) It's pointless in even asking... (Lies on side, pulls Pointe shoes out from underneath sheets, kisses them) Good night, my little angels!

Violet- (Turns off light as Annabelle turns off her Good Charlotte lamp)

(All forget what Bea was doing. After a moment of silence, swishing noises are heard from nowhere.)

Maya- (In darkness) What's that noise?

Annabelle- If I had nails, I'd be biting furiously right now!

Violet- You DO have nails, Annie.

Annabelle- Oh. In that case... (Bites nails)

(GURGLEGURGLEGURGLE)

Maya- I'm really scared!

Annabelle- Well, it can't be the boogy-man! Because I met him before!

Violet- Annabelle, this is NO time for false reminiscing!

Maya- (Worried voice) Violet, turn on the lights! (Bea is in bathrobe with facial mask on, gargling mouthwash)

Violet- (Flicks on light)

Violet, Maya, & Annabelle- AHHH!!!

Bea- (Chokes on mouthwash, runs to sink and spits it out)

Maya- Bea, you scared us!

Annabelle- Indeed!

Violet- My throat hurts from my bloodcurdling scream!

Bea- Oh, YOUR throat hurts? Try choking on a 1/8 cup of Listerine!

Maya- Bea, just get ready for bed.

Bea- (Gets ready for bed, wipes off face mask and changes into new pajamas)

Violet- Good night! (Turns off light)

(Mixed good nights)

Annabelle- (Snickers in darkness)

(Light goes on again)

Maya- Oh, gosh...what are you thinking about?

Violet- This tube top makes a great pajama top!

Annabelle- Well, I was thinking...the boys are having a night out...well, why not us?

Violet- My temporary side-belief is feminism, so sure! Why not?

Maya- Violet, you can't SERIOUSLY be doing this!

Bea- (Whips out map) So, our starting point will be the prefect's bathroom...that'll give us an excuse to get out of the common room...

Annabelle- Good plan.

Violet- Quite right!

Maya- I will NOT participate in this...this...shenanigans!

Annabelle- Russians have fun.

Maya- NO they don't!

Bea- So you're saying Russians are boring?

Maya- NO! They're amazing and always have fun!

Violet- (Sighs) Guess you're not like a Russian then...

Maya- (Hops out of bed) I'll bring some flashlights.

Bea- I'll bring Voldemort's wand!

Violet- How...

Bea- It's easy. I just said that the way to the largest weapons room was down a tunnel. After that I snatched his wand and threw him in a snake pit.

Maya- So they snakes KILLED him? Just like that?

Bea- No. He discovered that he's indigenous to the British python tribe. He's still living down there with them. Even learned their language. He taught me some...SSS---

Annabelle- ...Well that's just cool, now come on!

(The four sneak down the steps, when someone flicks the light on from behind them. They wince and turn to see Christine there.)

Christine- Girls? What are you doing up?

Maya- Well, we need to go take a bath, and---

Violet- WE WANNA GIRLS' NIGHT OUT! (Covers mouth) Oops.

Maya, Bea, & Annabelle- (Glare at Violet)

Bea- Please Christine! You let the boys have fun! Why not us? Don't you think women should have just as much fun as men?

Christine- I strongly agree! You girls enjoy yourselves! Just don't damage any school property (Looks at Bea and Annabelle)

Bea and Annabelle- (Rock back and forth on heels)

(The girls dash outside, laughing and giggling. They are running until they bump into Filch)

Filch- GET IN BEEEDD!!!

Maya- But---

Filch- NOWWWW!

Bea- (Winks at Annabelle)

Annabelle- (Winks back)

(Bea knocks out Filch, Annabelle ties him up, gags him, and throws him in closet. They both dust off their hands, then slap high fives. Mrs. Norris, Filch's cat, claws at Bea's leg.)

Bea- (Screams, shakes cat off, Mrs. Norris runs away) I never liked cats...

Maya- Oh my...

Violet- You just...

Bea- Wonderful, isn't it?

Annabelle- Well, best be off!

(The four head down the corridors, then open up the bathroom door with a creak.)

Maya- Ya know, I'd never thought I'd wear a tube top and shorts. Ever.

Bea- I have, that's for sure.

Violet- Shhh...I'm going to go inside, and see if anyone is in here. Toss me a flashlight. (Maya tosses her flashlight, Violet steps inside, tiptoes a few feet into the room) Nope! Nobody in here!

(Meanwhile)

Viktor- (In tub in same room as girls, unnoticed because of the tall edge of the pool-like tub) Guys, I teenk I here someone!

Marius- Quick! Everyone go under!

Klaus- Here! I brought straws to breathe through!

(They duck underwater breathing through the straws as the girls sit on the edge of the bath.)

Bea- Let's push Maya in!

Maya- No, wai- (Is pushed in)

Bea & Annabelle- CANNONBALL!!! (Jump in)

Bea- (Lands on Viktor)

Viktor- GAH! You feelthee rat!

Bea- (Splashes him as the rest of the guys surface)

Annabelle- (Whips water guns out of bag, tosses them to Bea)

Bea- (Turns up dial on soap faucets until it's all bubbles)

(Everyone is laughing and splashing each other. Bea is giving Robert a soapy mustache. Annabelle is squirting Viktor with soap with her water gun)

Viktor- (Clutches eye) GAH! Soap in zee eye!

Annabelle- (Squirts him even more)

Maya- (Shyly splashes Marius)

(Meanwhile)

Dumbledore- (Down the hall from the prefect's bathroom) Now, Erik, I was thinking of extending the library's capacity.

Phantom- That is most wise, Headmaster, considering the fact that... wait, do you hear something?

(Both hear giggling and laughter from down the hall)

Robert- (Picks up Bea, runs and jumps in with her as everyone is splashing and having fun)

Dumbledore- (Holding flashlight, heading down towards bathroom) I just don't know who would be up at this hour...

Phantom- (Mutters) I'll give you three guesses...

(Everyone is splashing around when Dumbledore and Phantom enter. Everyone freezes, looking at each other. The girls' tube tops are covered up by soap and suds, hence giving off a bad impression.)

Viktor - Vee caught vet-handed.

### **Scene Three: We're Sorry...**

(In the Gryffindor common room. Everyone is wrapped in towels, sitting around a fireplace on the floor. Annabelle is sitting next to Viktor, Maya is holding Marius's hand, Sunny is on Violet's lap, Klaus beside them, scowling at Marius, Bea is in Robert's lap, and Phantom is pacing around. Christine is seated on the couch.)

Phantom- (Pacing) Do you people have any idea how much trouble you could be in? Do you?

Viktor- (Raises hand)

Annabelle- (Slaps it down)

Phantom- You're just lucky that Christine here let you girls outside. AND you tricked her into doing so, no doubt.

Maya, Bea, & Annabelle- (Looking at floor, in guilty monotone voice)  
We're sorry...

Phantom- (Sighs, then double glances at camera) I think now is the best time to end this skit...

**THE END**