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Not So Sweet Sixteen

“What if we get Justin Bieber instead of Eminem? He’s much more appealing to girls,” commented Caitlin, Mackenzie’s best friend as they sat on Mackenzie’s bed in her mansion. (She was rich due to the fact that her mother was a lawyer and her father was a brain surgeon.)

“Yeah, you’re right. Plus, he has a better chance of falling in love with me rather than a 30-year-old man,” remarked 15-year-old Mackenzie. Mackenzie and Caitlin have been best friends since they were in diapers. They were born on the same exact day at the same exact hospital. Mackenzie’s mom was in labor when Caitlin’s father walked into her room thinking that his wife was in there. He dashed out of there as quick as humanly possible. After both of them were born, Mackenzie’s mom, Sydney, saw the man that had walked into the room.

They started conversing with each other and became acquaintances. Sydney was introduced to Caitlin’s mom, Julie and they also became acquaintances. They were shocked to see that they had both given labor to baby girls, and immediately knew that their daughters would be the best of friends. Julie would bring over Caitlin every time she visited their home. After hanging out with each other so often, Sydney and Julie became best friends and so did their daughters as they grew up. They shared every birthday together to this day. Their sweet 16 is coming up soon and they couldn’t wait to start the planning.

“We should have it at Nightlight’s. I heard that all the hot celebs have parties there,” suggested Mackenzie.

“Perfect! So now we have the entertainment and venue,” said Caitlin as she checked them off the list, “how about cake? I was thinking of driving up to New Jersey and checking out Carlo’s Bakery. My cousin got her cake from there and it looked amazing! She wanted a girly theme and they made her cake 2 feet long with a zebra-print. I was so jealous of her.”

“That would be awesome if they could pull off an even better cake for our party! I’ll call my dad and see if he can drive us tomorrow. Oh, and speaking of cake, I’m starved, but we’re completely out of food. My mom hasn’t gone grocery shopping yet so there’s nothing to eat,” complained Mackenzie.

Just as Caitlin was about to reply, Justin, Mackenzie’s brother, walked in.

“Hey, you girls wanna head over to Julio’s Pizzeria? I thought we could eat out today, since Mom hasn’t bought any food lately,” he asked as opened the door.

“Great! We were just talking about eating somewhere, so we’re glad you came in and offered to drive us,” replied Mackenzie.

At the pizzeria, Mackenzie, Peter, and Caitlin were talking about the new Usher song. Just as they explained their love for it, Mackenzie’s eyes wandered to the doorway and noticed a girl with brown hair and blue eyes wearing a new juicy couture dress walking in and heading over to their table. It was Mackenzie’s archenemy, V

“Hey! What’s going on with you guys?” said Victoria innocently.

“Nothing really,” replied Caitlin playing along,” but we are having a party soon.”

“OMG! Me too! It’s gonna be fantabulous. It’s my sweet sixteen and since I’m richer, prettier, and cooler than you two, it’ll be easy for me to throw a *way* better party.”

“Don’t get your hopes up too high. These girls are the best part throwers. I *know* their sweet sixteen will be totally awesome. Oh, and these are naturally pretty while you had to get a nose job and a face lift and you’re still not as pretty as them. So I think you should back off and leave your thoughts to yourself. Capisce?” argued Justin defensively.

Victoria stood, shocked as did Caitlin and Mackenzie. Justin has never acted this way or even tried to stand up for them. Victoria regained her posture and quickly turned around and dashed out of the restaurant.

“That was amazing, Justin. What made you say those things?” asked Mackenzie.

“I was just tired of Victoria thinking she’s better than everyone and that she can just talk to you like that and get away with it.”

After they were done eating, Justin drove them home and went to a friend’s house. Mackenzie and Caitlin were by themselves not knowing what to do. They felt like they’ve done enough planning for the day, so that wasn’t an option.

After minutes of thinking, Mackenzie decided that they should go to the mall and buy some presents for themselves. Caitlin thought that was a great idea. Mackenzie pressed the intercom button to ask her chauffeur, Chives, to drive them in her black stretch limo. When he said he’d be happy to, they fled down the staircase that led to the front door and met Chives at the entrance. They entered the front door into the six-story-building. They used the elevator instead of the escalators because they were broken. Mackenzie pressed the 3rd floor button and the elevator started. As they were going up, she looked out the glass window behind them. She noticed Victoria and her friend walking into a car store.

Mackenzie decided to follow them to see what kind of car she would get. If she wanted the best party, she would have to get a better vehicle than Victoria. She nudged Caitlin to look down and she nodded and followed Mackenzie out. Then they took the other elevator down to the car store. When they walked into the store filled with hummers and Cadillacs, they noticed Victoria on the spot with her gold satin mini dress. They followed closely behind, sneaking behind cars when they would turn around. They saw Victoria looking particularly at one car; a 2010 Lincoln Navigator. That car was worth of $50,000; but Mackenzie knew she could find a better one.

They finally left the store and headed home because it was getting late. Caitlin was sleeping over Mackenzie’s house, so Chives didn’t need to drive to two places. While they lied in bed that night, they talked about going to Carlo’s bakery.

“Oh my gosh! I forgot to ask my dad if he can take us! I’ll go right now. Thank goodness they’re not in bed yet. I’ll be right back.”

As Mackenzie left the room, Caitlin sat there wondering. She wanted to have the best party in the world, but she knew Victoria had a lot of friends, not that she didn’t, but she may have a better chance of beating them. Caitlin made a promise to do everything in her power to help Mackenzie and herself rock the socks off of Victoria.

Mackenzie came back with great news; saying that her dad said yes and they’ll be leaving at 10:00 the next morning. Then they drifted off to sleep without a worry.

When they woke up, they rushed downstairs to eat breakfast and hurried to get to New Jersey. It was a 3-hour-drive, but they still had a chance to talk to Buddy, the owner of the bakery.

“We really want this cake to pop. It’s our sweet 16, so we want a sort of grown-up cake, but with some girliness in it, too. There will be at least 400 guests, so this cake has to be huge. Think you can do that?” explained Mackenzie.

“Yeah, no problem. I’ve already got what I’m gonna do in my head and it’ll be ready in time for your party; no worries. This cake is gonna be awesome,” replied Buddy in a New Jersian accent.

“Thanks, Buddy. We’ll see you soon!” said Mackenzie and Caitlin as they walked out of the store and into the car.

“I can’t wait to see this cake. I know Buddy will pull through and make a way better cake than your cousin’s.” said Mackenzie.

“I sure hope so.”

Later that week, Mackenzie and Caitlin had everything planned. The venue, entertainment, cake, guests, invites, and a lot more was done. They felt relieved that their planning was finally over until they received a call from Justin Bieber’s manager. He said that he wouldn’t be able to make it to the party and that they were very sorry. Mackenzie could not believe what was happening. Their party was in 2 days and they didn’t have any one to sing live! This would give Victoria a freebie to beat them. She probably had an even better singer.

They decided to just hire a DJ and live with the fact that they didn’t have a live performer. Mackenzie called up Buddy to see how her cake was doing and there was some bad news. He didn’t think he could finish the cake in time. Mackenzie and Caitlin’s party was falling apart. All they could do was hope that Buddy will be able to finish their cake and everything would be fine.

It was the night of their Sweet 16 party. Everything was running smoothly so far. Mackenzie wore a Turquoise sequined mini dress with ruffles and Caitlin wore a *hot pink* sequined mini dress with ruffles. Every one of their guests showed up and they all looked like they were having the time of their lives. Mackenzie and Caitlin knew that this party was gonna make Victoria’s party look like trash.

At 12:00 A.M, Justin Bieber showed up and sang many songs for the girls. They were thrilled and knew the party wasn’t gonna be a disaster after all. Later, Buddy showed up with the most amazing cake they had ever seen. It was unbelievable to everyone’s eyes. Their party was a total hit and to top it all off Caitlin and Mackenzie were rewarded with two 2010 Cadillac DTS’s.

A week later after Victoria’s party was thrown. They met up with each other to discuss how to figure out whose party was better. Mackenzie and Caitlin called Victoria and told her to head over to Julio’s Pizzeria so they could talk. They came up with a solution that they fitted them. They would create a poll and post it on Facebook. Everyone would have to vote and at the end of the day, the person who has the most votes had the better party.

The day after the poll was posted, they saw the results. Turns out, everyone enjoyed both their parties. The vote was equal, 423 and 423. They couldn’t believe it that it was a tie. Mackenzie and Caitlin made up with Victoria and promised to never fight again. They became really good friends and became a trio. Mackenzie and Caitlin now share their birthdays with Victoria even though it’s not on the same day, but its pretty close. They were all glad that the fighting was over and they got back to enjoying their lives and not trying to compete anymore.