

AGNES VERA STEVE

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SHE KILLS MONSTERS

Scene Five

(VERA is working her after-school job at The Gap. She's the dressing room attendant. And she sucks at it.)

(AGNES walks in and sits down on one of the dressing room chairs.)

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VERA. So where have you been all weekend?

AGNES. Busy.

VERA. With Miles?

AGNES. No, not with Miles.

VERA. Yo, say what? You went out with another guy?

AGNES. Sorta.

VERA. Whoa. What do you mean "sorta"?

AGNES. It's not what you think –

VERA. I knew it!

This whole "girl next door" vibe you're rocking is all an act. Underneath you're just as much of a freak as the slackers in drama class.

AGNES. That's not true.

VERA. So, "Courtney Love", who is this new mystery man?

AGNES. He's a freshman.

VERA. Holy crap, you're fooling around with a fish?

AGNES. I'm not fooling around with anyone. I'm just playing Dungeons and Dragons.

VERA. Oh, okay – WHAT!?!

AGNES. Don't make a big deal out of this.

VERA. I take it back. You're not a freak, you're a geek!

(A male customer approaches.)

STEVE. Do you happen to have this in –

VERA. No.

STEVE. But you didn't even hear the size –

VERA. No.

STEVE. I just wanted to –

VERA. Nooooooooooooooooooooo.

(The customer walks away confused.)

AGNES. You're amazing at the costumer service.

VERA. So how does Miles feel about his girlfriend going geek?

AGNES. He doesn't know.

VERA. What? He doesn't know something about you? Surprise surprise.

AGNES. Why don't you like him?

VERA. 'Cause he's a player.

AGNES. He's not a player.

VERA. Please. He's a jock. He plays.

AGNES. He's a muscular dork who doesn't know how to talk to girls. He's not a player.

VERA. That's just his thing. Some guys come at you all slick and smooth, he charms you with being dopey.

AGNES. Do you really think that'd work?

VERA. He's dating you, isn't he?

AGNES. Can we please change the subject?

VERA. Fine. So what's up with this game? Is this some sort of lame senioritis crisis?

AGNES. I know it's stupid, it's just – I want to know why she liked it so much.

VERA. Oh.

AGNES. I know it's just a game, but...

VERA. So how is it?

AGNES. I honestly don't see the appeal.

All we've done so far is walk around and talk to things. I thought there were supposed to be monsters –

(Suddenly everything goes dark accompanied with a loud sound cue.)

Vera?

(VERA is frozen. She doesn't respond.)

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