

MR HAMILTON (CONT'D)

Or why I'll pay for an Ivy League College? So you can have any career you choose.

FREDDY

I choose or you choose?

MR HAMILTON

Pick up that hammer and get to some real work.

BILLY SANDFORD is reading a copy of Sports Illustrated.

MR SANDFORD

What are you reading?

BILLY

Sports Illustrated.

Not convinced, Mr Sandford grabs the magazine finding a copy of Vogue hidden underneath.

BILLY (CONT'D)

Vogue. I'm going to go to my room.

MR SANDFORD

No you're not! You're going to stay and watch the game!

BILLY

Do I have to?

MR SANDFORD

Yes! You're my son, Goddammit! You're a Sandford! My dad played football, I played football, and you're gonna play football, too. It's a legacy, Billy. Now sit down and watch the game.

Billy sits. The light fades up on Tomika with her two fathers.

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TOMIKA

But I don't fit in, I miss my old school.

MR SPENCER

But we love your new school!

MR WILLIAMS

Your old school was falling apart.  
Do you know how long we were on the  
waiting list for Horace Green?

TOMIKA

But I miss my friends -

MR SPENCER

Don't be silly! You can make  
friends anywhere you go!

MR WILLIAMS

BFFs! Besties!

TOMIKA

They're so much smarter than me!

MR SPENCER

No one is smarter than you, Tomika.  
No one is better than you.

MR WILLIAMS

And how cute do you look in that  
uniform!

The men kiss.

TOMIKA

But I don't know how talk to anyone-

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MR SPENCER

Tomika. We know what's best for  
you.

Zack has arrived home. His father  
talks into his phone.

MOONEYHAM

Look. I'm not asking anymore, just  
get it done.

ZACK

Hey, Dad. You won't believe the day  
we had -

MOONEYHAM

What did I say when Daddy's on the  
phone?

ZACK

You're working.