

INT. REGINA'S HOUSE/BATHROOM - CONTINUOUS

Regina is now on her hands and knees, scrubbing the bathroom floor. Hal walks by, pausing to watch her.

HAL

...I didn't think it was dirty.

Regina just keeps scrubbing. Hal shrugs and walks on.

INT. REGINA'S HOUSE/ENTRANCE - DAY

Days later. Hal unlocks the front door and enters the house. He wears a business suit and carries a briefcase and the daily mail.

HAL

Babe? You home?

Putting down his case, he sorts through the mail a moment before realizing she hasn't answered.

HAL (CONT'D)

...Babe?

He listens, hearing SCRUBBING from down the hall.

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INT. REGINA'S HOUSE/KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Hal enters the kitchen to discover...Regina on her hands and knees, scrubbing the kitchen floor.

HAL

Didn't you wash that yesterday?

REGINA

Does it look clean to you?

HAL

...Yes?

She pauses to give him "a look," then keeps scrubbing. Hal sees her books and notes are scattered on the table.

HAL (CONT'D)

...Don't you have a test tomorrow?

She ignores him, keeps scrubbing.

HAL (CONT'D)

Right. Whatever. You hungry?

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He notes junk food wrappers scattered on the table.

HAL (CONT'D)

'Guess not, with all that crap you been eating.

REGINA

Who are you, the food police?

HAL

No wonder you're so irritable.

REGINA

I am irritable because you are spending us into a black hole.

HAL

You call paying our bills---

REGINA

It's not *our* bills! Why do you have to eat out every day and get your car painted and buy all new hiking gear---

HAL

Maybe 'cause I want to live a little!

REGINA

We can't afford for you to "live a little" while we're on a single income---

HAL

Fine! What do you want me to do? Go to work all day, then come home and watch you clean all night!?

Regina rises, gathers her notes, grabs her backpack.

REGINA

I don't have to take this.

HAL

That's right. That's how we're gonna solve our problems. Where are you going?

**STOP**

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EXT. LAWSCHOOL BUILDING/PARKING LOT - EVENING

Regina's car is parked in the school lot.

