

SECRET

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EXT. BRICK HOUSE - DAY

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In Stamford, Connecticut, a small house with a well groomed lawn, blends in perfect with the rest of the neighborhood. A chair rocks on the porch and a white car rests in the driveway.

INT. BRICK HOUSE - SECRET'S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Pretty yellow room with lots of stuffed animals on the bed.

A plain girl with coarse hair named SECRET (7) stands next to the dresser, and has her hair combed by her mother ANN (29), gorgeous, bright-flawless skin, and cocaine-white teeth.

SECRET

Please stop! You're hurtin' me.

ANN

Jus' a few more minutes.

Secret glances at the baby picture on the dresser. She cradles in Ann's arms.

Ann styles her hair in two neat ponytails. She opens a small brown box on the dresser full of different colored ribbons.

ANN (CONT'D)

Which color you wanna wear today?

Secret shrugs her shoulders.

SECRET

You pick.

Ann picks two pink ribbons.

ANN

Well?

Secret nods, No.

SECRET

I want yellow.

ANN

I thought so.