

Cupcake Sample

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EXT. STREET VENDOR - DAY

Kara and Sophie each purchase a hot dog and drinks. They go to a park bench nearby to sit down.

EXT. PARK BENCH - CONTINUOUS

Kara is eating her hot dog.

SOPHIE

I've lived in New York my whole life and this is probably the second time I've eaten a hot dog from a guy selling them on the street.

KARA

Hmm you lived in Phoenicia, New York growing up, where the closest thing to a hot dog were the live cows that your dad always yelled at for eating his "fresh-cut" lawn?

Sophie and Kara laugh.

KARA (CONT'D)

How's work going? Busy?

SOPHIE

You are so right. Work has been so busy lately.

KARA

Well yeah, organizing an art exhibit cannot be easy, but you got this, you always do, babe! Sophie kisses Kara.

SOPHIE

Thank you. You're coming on Friday, right? I invited a bunch of our friends.

KARA

You mean a bunch of your artsy friends?

SOPHIE

Hey, hey be nice!

Sophie and Kara laugh as they both finish their hot dogs and get up to throw it out.

EXT. BUSY STREET - DAY

Sophie and Kara spend the rest of Sophie's lunch break walking around a busy downtown Brooklyn street.

EXT. BUSY STREET - MOMENTS LATER

They continue to walk down the street, window-shopping. With Kara not looking, Sophie spots a "Sprinkles" cupcake shop.

SOPHIE

Ooo babe! You want a cupcake?

Kara, dead in her tracks, turns to Sophie.

KARA

What did you just say to me?

SOPHIE

I said...

We see Sophie's mouth move but we hear...

BILLY (V.O.) LAPPING

You want a cupcake?

Flashback ensues.

INT. KARA'S CHILDHOOD HOME - KITCHEN - DAY - YEARS AGO

BILLY, a lanky guy covered in tattoos, brings a cupcake from around his back to a 15-year-old Kara. Billy is Kara's mother's boyfriend. This is the first time they are meeting.

Kara's eyes light up on this huge, chocolatey cupcake.

BILLY

Peanut butter chocolate, your mom told me this was your favorite?

Kara looks to her mother, LEIGH-ANN, chain smoking a cigarette. Leigh-Ann gives a little wave of the back of her hand as if to go on and accept the gift.

KARA

(hesitant)

Yes, it is my favorite. Thank you.

Kara takes the cupcake, licking the cupcake.

BILLY

Just get it as far away from me as possible! Allergic to peanuts over here!

Leigh-Ann laughs, choking on a cigarette. She goes to the sink and pours herself a glass of water, her back towards Billy and Kara. Kara has some chocolate icing on the side of her mouth. Billy takes his pointer finger and gently takes the chocolate icing off Kara's face.

BILLY (CONT'D)

Don't get all messy, now, cupcake.

Billy stares at Kara a bit too long. He snaps out of it and wipes his finger off with a napkin.

End flashback.