“High School Sweethearts” Scenario

High school sweethearts Cameron Clawson and Riley Roberts go to the same college, Corona College. It is a small-residential college an hour outside of New York City that requires all students to live on campus for their first two years. The Parties started dating during their senior year of high school. They were king and queen at their senior prom. They lived in different dorms during their first year, but formed a fairly large, common friend group between the Parties. The parties decided to stay in their same dorms surrounded by their friends for their sophomore year.

The friend group would frequently hang out together in the quad, go to movies and enjoyed big outings to the local Italian restaurant, Lucca’s. The parties were really central to the friend group and everyone looked up to their relationship. During their junior year, when both parties were 20, they decided to move in together in an apartment off-campus, but run as student apartments through a public-private partnership with the College. At first living together was fun and exciting, but they soon realized that from living separately in the dorms, they did not see how each other behaved domestically. Cameron was a very tidy person and more of a home-body. Riley was working part-time to get pay rent and living expenses while going to class and did not spend much time at home nor help with chores.

Around December, Riley lost their job and started to rely on Cameron to pay more of their joint expenses. They started to fight as the money got tight and their relationship started to break down. In an effort to save the relationship, Riley planned a nice dinner date out to Lucca’s. They both brought convincing fake IDs and split both a bottle of red wine, a bottle of white, and a couple beers. Cameron was not very hungry that night and only had a small salad while Riley had Lucca’s signature dish of chicken cacciatore which is breaded chicken in a thick, Italian sauce.

The couple caught a rideshare home and inside the car, Cameron caught Riley texting one of their mutual friends a number of hearts and what Cameron thought to be flirty messages. The couple had a quick argument in the car and soon decided to stop talking. They silently walked from the apartment parking lot up to their shared apartment which was on the third floor with no elevators. Cameron struggled a bit to walk up the stairs, but refused Riley’s help.

The couple made it inside when Cameron sat down on the couch and Riley sat down next to Cameron. Riley apologized and stated that what Cameron saw was a misunderstanding. Cameron eventually forgave Riley, thanked Riley for the nice dinner, and they started kissing heavily on the couch with Riley fondling Cameron above their clothes. After about five minutes of kissing, Cameron quickly stood up and went to the restroom. Riley thought that this meant Cameron might be freshening up for them to have sex, which they had not done in a while due to all the fighting. Riley hurried to the bedroom to get the bed ready, turn the lights off, and light a few candles to set the mood. The bedroom was positioned in a way that Riley could not hear what was occurring in the bathroom.

Cameron ran to the bathroom and vomited twice. Cameron was experiencing blackout at this time and only remembers vomiting but nothing after that. Eventually Cameron gathered
themselves enough to wash out their mouth with water and then mouthwash. Cameron then went to the bedroom where Riley was waiting. Riley started trying kissing and fondling Cameron again, and Cameron was lying there not being very responsive to the affection. Riley decided to remove Cameron’s underwear, use some lubrication and a condom, and try to have sexual intercourse with Cameron. Cameron was not asleep and seemed to be into it by Riley’s understanding because Cameron spread their legs while lying on the bed. Riley was excited and didn’t last long. Riley ejaculated in the condom and then threw it away in the bedside trashcan. Riley fell asleep next to Cameron shortly after.

Cameron woke up first the next morning and noticed their genitals were sore and slightly sticky. They realized they must have had sex with Riley but did not remember ever talking about it or engaging in any part of it. Cameron was freaked out because they only remembered vomiting and nothing else. Also, the ride home and getting into the apartment was blurry. Cameron stood up and saw the used condom in the trashcan which confirmed they had had sex.

Cameron confronted Riley that day about not knowing they were having sex and it how upset it made Cameron. Cameron told Riley that they had a nice evening but they were still upset with all their fighting. Cameron said that this was the last straw and they needed to break up. Riley was shocked to learn that Cameron didn’t have knowledge about the sex and thought Cameron was lying. Riley ended up driving to his parent’s house a couple hours away.

Cameron ended up moving out of the apartment that week and moving into a house with some friends. A few weeks later Cameron learned through a friend that a sex video showed up on a snapchat story and on a chat board for a large lecture class which seemed to be Riley having sex with Cameron but you couldn’t make out Cameron’s face very well. The video was taken down from both platforms before anyone could save or record it. Cameron believes it was a video of the sexual encounter that they did not remember, and Cameron believes Riley posted it to get revenge on Cameron for breaking up. Cameron had never agreed to be videotaped during sex.

Cameron was very upset but did not want to report. Cameron is not sure who reported, but thinks their friend, Wyatt, is the person who reported. Wyatt is the person who told Cameron about the video. Cameron has been depressed trying to deal with the stress of the break up combined with the painful experience of having a sex video posted online. Cameron is starting to have suicidal thoughts, but does not want to seek therapy because they cannot afford it and they do not want to tell their parents about what happened.