

JUST A GIRL

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1 INT. DARK - NIGHT 1

It's a black screen. We hear low static and see flashes of dark images pop up.

-A house in the country

-A man with a lighter, smoking a cigarette

-A man's hand grabbing a girl's arm

-A girl with a bruised eye

-A knife

They get progressively quicker and the static gets louder until...

2 INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - MORNING 2

GIRL (21) wakes up with a neutral expression and sits up. Girl is a perfect young woman, she is kind, smart, and hardworking. She is definitely not hiding anything.

She looks out the window and breaks into an overeager smile. Cue the cheerful and bright music.

3 INT. BATHROOM - CONTINUOUS 3

Girl is brushing her teeth and scrolling on TikTok. She quickly swipes on different videos:

-How to look younger.

-Weight loss hacks.

-A bro's podcast.

She turns off her phone and looks at the mirror.

4 INT. MULTIPLE LOCATIONS - CONTINUOUS 4

BEGIN MONTAGE.

- Girl picks out her clothes.

- Girl brushes her hair.

- Girl puts on makeup.

- Girl walks through hallway past the composites and waves to friends.

END MONTAGE.

5 EXT. POOL AREA - CONTINUOUS 5

Girl exits the house and crosses the pool area. As she's walking we see a GUY IN A HOODIE peeking his head from the parking lot fence.

It catches the corner of Girl's eye but when she turns there's no one there.

Girl stares at that spot for a moment and we hear the faintest static noise. The parking lot is empty and the girl keeps walking.

6 INT. STUDY ROOM - LATER 6

Girl is in a study room with her fellow group members who are your classic frat bros. They're all very rowdy and she can't get a word in.

We slowly zoom in on her frustrated face and hear faint static again. She closes her eyes and takes a deep breath. She puts on a strained polite smile.

7 EXT. STREET - LATER 7

Girl is returning home. Off screen, we hear someone wolf whistle at her. She sends a glare at them and we hear static again, louder than last time.

She keeps walking but uncomfortably readjusts her clothing.

8 INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - NIGHT 8

Girl is illuminated by the glow of her computer. Her eyelids are droopy and she can't stop yawning. She picks up her tote bag and walks off.

9 INT. CONVENIENCE STORE - CONTINUOUS 9

Girl walks into convenience store and grabs a random coffee. She then goes to the lighters and meticulously picks the perfect one. She pays for her things with a smile.

10 EXT. STREET - CONTINUOUS 10

Girl is walking home. Over her shoulder we see the Guy following her. Girl looks oblivious but for a moment she glances towards the Guy and smirks.

11 INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - NIGHT 11

Girl is back on her computer, quickly typing. She is looking through multiple instagram profiles before her eyes light up.

She is now looking at Zillow and copies one of the apartment's addresses.

12 INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - LATER 12

Girl appears to be sleeping peacefully facing towards a wall. Suddenly we see the door to her bedroom open. Guy creeps right up to her and takes a picture of her.

The whole time the girl is awake and glancing towards the guy. We hear faint static but she doesn't look scared. The guy slowly backs up towards the door.

13 INT. COFFEE SHOP - DAY 13

Girl is waiting for her coffee and scrolling through a guy's profile on her phone.

Suddenly she starts getting bombarded with notifications from school, friends, the news, her calendar, etc.

She takes a deep breath to calm herself but she is still visibly stressed. Her order gets called and she goes up to the counter.

The BARISTA (40s) gives her the drink.

BARISTA

You know, you'd look better with a smile sweetheart.

We hear the static again, louder than ever. The girl breaks into the most strained smile. Her head and eye twitches. Her hand grips the counter forcefully.

14 INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

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Guy creeps towards Girl's door. He is holding a rope and playing with it. He walks inside her bedroom and sees her on the bed.

He rips the sheets off her, revealing a mound of pillows. Suddenly, we see her behind him with a bat in hand.

GIRL
Looking for someone?

He quickly turns around. She HITS him across the head and the screen cuts to black.

15 EXT. FOREST - LATER

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Guy is laying down semi-unconscious. He is tied with his own rope and has duct tape over his mouth. He is slowly bleeding from the wound on his head.

Around him are prints of all the pictures he took of Girl, but also other women.

Girl is pouring liquid out of a gas canister onto him. Guy fully wakes up and when he sees Girl and all the pictures, he starts to panic.

Girl lights her lighter close to her face and throws it on him. We see the reflection from the fire on her face while Guy is screaming.

We just see her illuminated face as the credits start rolling over her. Meanwhile we hear police sirens and two cops talking over the radio

COP 1 (V.O.)
We have an incident over on
Greenbelt. Hikers found the burnt
body of an unidentified man.

COP 2 (V.O.)
Jesus. Any witnesses?

COP 1 (V.O.)
Cameras across the street captured
a woman entering the trail around 2
a.m. last night.

COP 2 (V.O.)
You gotta be kidding me. There's no
way she could of done it, she's
just a girl.

As soon as he says "just a girl" the credits stop and Girl looks right at the camera. She holds the audience's stare for a beat before cutting to black.