WOODCHUCKS

(Scene for three people.)

(This scene takes place on the first day of summer camp. At start, JESS is standing center, looking around at the buildings and grounds. After a few moments, QUINN enters holding a piece of paper.)

QUINN: Hey. Are you a woodchuck?

JESS: What?

QUINN: Are you a woodchuck?

JESS: Do I look like a woodchuck?

QUINN: How should I know? This is my first summer here.

JESS: What are you talking about?

QUINN: Didn't you get an orientation sheet? It says what cabin you're in. (QUINN shows JESS the piece of paper.) See. I'm a woodchuck.

JESS: Oh, I didn't even look at it. (*JESS pulls out a folded up piece of paper and unfolds it.*) Ummm. Yeah, woodchuck.

QUINN: Cool. You ever gone to camp here before?

JESS: No.

QUINN: Yeah, me neither. But I heard they don't have a lot of candy, so I brought a whole backpack full, just in case.

JESS: Cool. I brought a bunch of firecrackers. Just in case.

QUINN: In case of what?

JESS: In case we need to set off some firecrackers in the middle of the night.

QUINN: Awesome!

(RORY enters.)

RORY: Hey are you guys beavers?

JESS & QUINN (Together.) Do we look like beavers?

RORY: How should I know? It's my first summer here. I'm actually a woodchuck, but someone said there were a bunch of beavers around.

JESS: You're a woodchuck?

RORY: Yeah.

QUINN: Us too!

RORY: Cool. (*RORY looks around a moment, hesitating.*) Don't tell anyone, but I brought my pet snake.

QUINN: Does he like candy?

RORY: He doesn't, but I do.

JESS: Firecrackers?

RORY: He doesn't, but I do. But you know what he *does* like? Hiding under the blankets in someone's bed and then scaring the life out of them!

QUINN: That sounds like a really cool snake.

RORY: Yeah, his name is Sneak. Sneak the Snake. I'll show him to you later. He's in my duffle bag.

JESS: (*To both.*) I got to tell you, I totally didn't want to come here.

QUINN: I told my mom going to summer camp was the dumbest idea ever.

(RORY nods in agreement.)

JESS: But you know, I got to say, it might actually be alright. I mean, if you get to be a woodchuck.

RORY: Yeah, cuz if you're not, what's the point?

QUINN: Maybe there's even some other decent woodchucks.

RORY: Yeah! . . . Where's the cabin, anyway?

QUINN: (Looking at the piece of paper still in his hand.) I think this thing has a map.

(JESS and RORY crowd around and look at the paper in QUINN's hand.)

JESS: Umm, I think it's right over there. (JESS points.)

RORY: No, that's the dining hall. I think it's over there. (RORY points in a completely different direction.)

QUINN: It doesn't matter, we'll find it. (*JESS*, *QUINN* and *RORY* start to exit.) Go woodchucks!

RORY: Yeah. Go woodchucks!

JESS: Totally. Woodchucks!

(JESS, QUINN and RORY exit.)

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