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Dead Friend

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Hide well
Your hair might show
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Pull yourselves together
Otherwise, the ghost might
get into your bodies
It needs a body to live in
Here we go
What happened?
- The ghost is here
- Really?
Can we see it?
Not everybody can
Even if you do
you can't probably tell
But we can ask
Ask what?
Ask what'll be on the finals
How will the ghost know that?
Because it's the ghost!
You're unbelievable!
- It hurts!
- Where'd you come from?
Why didn't you go
to the other world?
Revenge?
Where are you now?
- You're such a joke!
- I was so scared
We should've studied instead
- That's right!
- God!
What are you doing up?
It's my sister Eun-seo
- What's wrong with you?
- I can't believe you!
Shut up!
Eun-jung
you wanna be a witch?
You should be studying
for the SA
You got into college illegally
for Christ sake

- Ouch!
- Go to bed!
- You too!
- Okay
I'm so telling mom on you!
- She's so bitchy
- No wonder she has no man
Tell me about it
She has trouble sleeping lately
I wish the ghost
took her away
Wanna try it again?
If we don't send it back
It will eat you alive!
Come here!
I'm the virgin ghost!
The Ghost
Don't remember
Take it to your grave
Hey!
You had your fun, didn't you?
You looked so funny
struggling for life
Knock it off, will you?
I can't believe you can't swim
Didn't the army teach you?
For 2 years in the army
I did nothing but cook
There's no comparison
You swim more than study
You like water that much?
Anxiety of the present time that
dominates our society
stems from the identity crisis
that we all suffer
We live in the world that
changes so fast
that we fear a great deal
for the unpredictable future
which leads us to feel the loss
of our existence
It's also related to
value issues
We are no longer sure

what values count
In other words
We have lost ability to tell
which values are
What?
We don't know
what should be devaluated
what should be held important
what should be ignored
We lack conviction on this matter
Employment of Graduates
Getting a job is war
Pretty bad
Look at me
when I talk to you
You still have two years left
Why are you so worried?
That's pathetic
The good times are over
I need more than a degree
to get a descent job
That's because we have
four seasons
We have to change clothes
every season
Fed up with four seasons?
Is that why you're leaving?
Not really
It's the spirit of challenge
For the betterment of life!
See you!
- Where are you going?
- To find my umbrella!
Does swimming help?
Yes, it's so soothing
As is a mother's arms
Is she still the same?
I'm sorry this is the last time
I eat cookies with you
Not relieved?
I know I stained your career
That just broke my heart
Your brain waves are normal
but the heart could relapse

Don't forget to take
your medicine
Don't be harsh on yourself
As time goes by
your memory might
come back
It's okay
I'll consider it an umbrella
I forgot on the bus
Leave it open
For your late father
You forgot, didn't you?
I'm sorry, Mom
You think of me as one?
In this big house
I'm always alone
waiting for you all day long
And you're leaving me?
What for?
Why do you wanna go abroad?
I can't believe this
Your father and I struggled
to make a living
We're well off now, so what?
Your dad is gone
And you're leaving me too
Yeah! It's my fault
It's all my fault
Please understand me
The decision didn't come easy
Then why are you leaving?
Everything is unfamiliar here
I thought
I might as well start all over
somewhere else
What about me?
You couldn't care less?
Is that it?
- Mom
- Why bother calling me that?
I'm begging you not to leave
and you're turning a deaf ear
I can't believe
you're my daughter!

I got accepted
I've spent so much time
trying to find my memory
I just don't wanna waste
any more time
I hope you start living
for yourself
Hide well
Your hair might show
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What are you doing in there?
We're playing hide and seek
Close the door!
Okay
I have to change for school
Come on out, will you?
I'm telling you
She was in the locker!
What, she was a ghost?
Come on
there are no ghosts
If not, what was she?
You must've been hungry
This will help you
I'm serious!
I know you like fooling me
but you're taking it too far
You know her?
You lived in a perfect world
One that your father created
He passed away
and you needed someone
to take his place
Someone you could hate
So you were there
when the accident happened?
That's not important
Eun-seo said she had seen
something odd
Now she's dead
What?

What about you?
Seen anything bizarre?
I don't know
If not, fine
Why didn't you find me sooner?
We go to the same school
I saw you in my dream
Not wearing makeup?
You wouldn't leave the house
without it on
- You're gonna get drunk
- You think I am?
Not yet
Strange, isn't it?
I don't get along with anybody
at school
But you're different
As if I'd known you
for a long time
You sure you didn't know me?
I came back to school this year
Remember?
Yeah, that's right
Which is better?
Living like now
Or knowing the past
Which do you think is better?
- Later!
- Bye
Can you help me
with the project?
It's due tomorrow
Haven't finished it yet?
No, please help me
But I have a date
- You do?
- Sorry, Maybe next time
Having mixed feelings
about leaving?
You've become sensitive
Try not to think about it
What's that?
A present!
I thought it was cute

Looks good on you
Why are you
so nice to me?
You're the only person
I can count on
I just want us to remain
good friends
Am I proposing here?
I bought it because it was cute
I was gonna ask you
to treat me to a movie for it
I guess it's off
Okay, let's go tomorrow
How about during break
in between classes?
We get discounts
Tomorrow it is!
Good night
You shouldn't stay out too late
It can be dangerous
Did you drink?
There's something...
Did You eat beforehand?
- Yes
- Don't drink on an empty stomach
What's this?
A friend gave it to me
You must be tired
Go to bed
When'd you cook all these?
I woke up early and
couldn't go back to bed
I cooked them for you
Help yourself
Fish soup
Try some
Fish is good for your system
Go ahead
Gosh, I forgot!
I tried it on
because it was so pretty
It's okay
You can have it
- Can I?

- Sure
Worried about me, aren't you?
Looking back
I was in the wrong
I'll change now
I mean it
Stop worrying about me
and take care of yourself
Okay?
Here
You should kick that habit
You didn't like the necklace?
Sorry
What's wrong?
You okay?
- I really saw her!
- Saw what?
The girl by the exit!
She sat in front of us
She was dripping water
Didn't you see her eyes?
She glared at me
Didn't you see her?
- If you did, you did
- I saw her!
She reached out to grab me
- You hit me on The shoulder
- Jiwon!
Cut it out, okay?
It's hard for me as it is now
So please!
We're looking for
MIN Jiwon
We're late for class
Are you MIN Jiwon?
You know OH Yu-jung, don't you?
What's going on?
Just asking a few questions
Did she tell you she felt
her life threatened?
Anything like that?
What is this?
Tell her what it's about first!
She was found drowned

KIM Eun- seo died with her
lungs filled with water, too
They were your friends
from SangRim High, right?
Don't remember
Don't remember
Jiwon!
Are you okay?
It happened in the darkroom
last night
No injuries, but she's said
to look drowned
It was a natural death
I can't remember
but they were my friends
I can't just ignore it
- I can't believe she's here
- Tell me about it
You got some nerve!
It's your fault!
They died because of you!
- Eun-jung, stop it
- You're to blame!
Let go!
- Eun-jung!
- Get out of here!
Yearbook, SangRim Girls' High
SHIN Mi-kyung
KIM Eun-seo
OH Yu-jung
MIN Ji-won
KIM Eun-seo
Sungbuk Pyungchang 252-56
What are you doing here?
Stop pretending
you don't remember!
You think
you'll be better off abroad?
Let's see if that's the case
Wait!
What did I do?
Please tell me
About my past
You stayed out of touch

after that trip
And weird things started
happening recently
What happened then?
You were the leader
You'd always pulled off things
Eun-jung, right?
Eun-jung, I don't remember
I really don't
Sorry about last night
Mi-kyung is at the hospital
So I thought it was you
Mi-kyung's at the hospital?
Everybody seemed crazy
As if they'd been haunted
So I thought
you were the reason
Not me
I don't know anything
Maybe it's my fault
In fact, I hated my sister
I even called out a ghost
to trick her
She couldn't sleep at night
But I didn't care
That night my friends and I were
just having fun
There are no ghosts
She died of a natural cause
It's not your fault
- What's the matter?
- Never mind
- What's the matter?
- Never mind
How could I not care?
Is it your friends?
I thought you were leaving
so you could forget
Do yourself a favor
and forget about it
Forget about it?
What's that supposed to mean?
You're hiding something
aren't you?

No, I am just saying
Forget it!
You wouldn't believe me anyway
Who could do without water?
But she neither drinks
nor touches it
She's so afraid of a water demon
You know she's asthmatic
don't you?
It's me, Jiwon
Recognize me?
We're friends from high school
So were Yu-jung and Eun-seo
Can you recognize me?
You turn me off
You think we liked you?
We took advantage of you
because you were rich
She comes to me too
Yu-jung and Eun-seo saw her
Who is it that you see
in your dreams?
Something's happening
You know what it is, don't you?
Tell me, Mi-kyung
Who do you see at night?
Su-in
- Su-in?
- Su-in
Su-in?
Who's that?
It wasn't me
I didn't do it
You didn't do what?
Who's Su-in?
Su-in
She's gonna kill us
I didn't do it, It was you
You did it!
Who's next?
Come on, stop it
Why not? It's fun
Who?
Su-in!

Are you sure?
Wow, it's gonna be fun
Jiwon?
Dissociative amnesia
Symptoms and side effects
MIN Ji-won
I'm sorry about earlier
- I was just worried about you
- Tell me
Who are you?
What do you mean?
I don't know
I don't know who I am
It's like playing hide and seek
But I don't know who it is
When I wanted to remember
nothing happened
Now
I'm so scared
Knowing my past
It scares me
It reminds me of old days
You wanted this doll so badly
Then again
we couldn't even afford this
What's wrong?
What happened?
Gosh, you're sweating
Are you sick?
You don't look good
You don't sleep well, do you?
It's not good for you
Don't be sick
If you're sick, I'm sick, too
HAN Su-in
Hide well
Your hair might show
Hide well
Your hair might show
Take the SAT for Eun-seo
And I'll be your friend
You're not good enough
to be my friend
If you show up again

I will kill you!
Got it?
No way
It's not true
It can't be
Look, Su-in
You gotta do this for me
No?
No?
So hard!
You're such an artist
But you're smart enough
to go to any college
What do you wanna study?
- Sociology
- Sociology?
My dad would say no
if he were alive
It doesn't really interest me
Then why?
I can't tell you
What do you wanna be later?
I wanna be you
Without you, I could never
When we were little
we didn't have any friends
because we were too poor
Now you're rich
and have many friends
Thanks to you, I
I didn't have friends?
I'm not like you
Listen carefully
We're different
I'm not who I was
Don't even go there
Understood?
There isn't much
to offer you
You're Su-in's friend
So make yourself at home
- I will
- Good
Here

You look better in person
As pretty as Su-in said
She bragged about you a lot
You were her only friend
She even liked you
more than me
She wouldn't invite you over
because she was ashamed
how poor we were
I couldn't blame her
I'm sorry I didn't come sooner
Don't be silly
I thank you
for being my girl's friend
She's so bad
Where's she now?
I only wish to know
The phone is switched off
- We need To talk
- Let's go
- It won't take long
- I have nothing to say
I know it's hard
but this isn't like you
What's like me?
How much do you think
you know about me?
MIN Jiwon, sophomore
sociology major
That was me when I came to
So I decided to live as her
and happily
But
I'm so lost now
You said you didn't know
Where'd you get this?
How could you?
What did I do wrong?
Why won't anybody tell me?
Tell me, Tell me now!
It's a good luck charm
you gave me when I enlisted
You said you'd be in college
by the time I got discharged

studying sociology like me
But you didn't recognize me
when I came back
I was relieved, though
Because I never thought of you
as more than a friend
You'd lost your memory
but you looked brighter
than ever
I even thought
it was a blessing in disguise
I can't pretend any more
You told me about your friends
but I never met them
Don't take it too seriously
Must be a sheer coincidence
No
Two of them are dead
And Mi-kyung is at the hospital
Something's happening to me, too
I might end up
Was it four of you?
Who took pictures then?
Calm down and listen to me
This doesn't help
I have to ask Mi-kyung
It's too late
Ask her tomorrow
No, I have to see her now
She's the only one
who knows the truth
Let me out!
Let me out of here!
Let me out!
Let go!
Let go! Let go of me!
No!
Let me go!
No, don't leave me alone
She's here to kill me
Let me go, Please!
It wasn't me
It was Eun-seo
She told us to keep it a secret

It was Eun-seo!
SHIN Mi-kyung, room 404
I need to see her
What's it regarding?
It's urgent
Please let me see her
So you see the ghost?
Is it here now?
Crimes break out every
Be grateful to be alive
by the end of the day
She was in a nut house
for God's sake
The case has been closed
Let it go, okay?
I don't expect you to believe
But I don't care
It's my own business
What should we do?
We should find her
Su-in
I'm sure she's there
waiting for me
How did we meet?
When you were a junior
in high school
I saw you crying in the rain
for your father had died
I couldn't just walk by
so I bought you some warm soup
Since then, you waited for me
every night in the alley
Somehow you got my number
and kept calling
I did?
You asked me to buy you a necklace
once you got into college
So that necklace?
Yeah, that's right
Why didn't you tell me so?
Because it's not a good memory
for you
- Come on
- Okay

No way we're taking her
How'd she find out?
She threatened to rat on me
if we don't take her
It would be so awkward
Let's take her
We can use her to carry bags
and take pictures
Don't tell your mom, okay?
Come on!
Yahoo! Yahoo!
One, two, three!
Hey!
- Do It again
- The angle isn't right
You can swim, can't you?
Happy Birthday!
Eun-seo, help me!
Jiwon!
It was my fault
Because of me
I'm sorry, Su-in
I'm so sorry
We need you to tell us
what you said before
It's been almost a year
Why didn't the body decay?
It's the arsenic in the water
It prevents decay
And fish can't live in it
Detective
Jiwon will be okay, right?
Eun-seo didn't want it known
how she got into college
And Jiwon is amnesic
A further investigation is needed
but she should be okay
Now you can leave
without the burden
You want me to?
No
But that's what you want
Take care
Jiwon

Where'd you go?
I've been waiting for you
I'm sorry
You're so concerned about me
and I've been too selfish
I'm not leaving
I won't
I'll stay with you and make up
for what I put you through
It's all over now
We will live happily
What's over?
It's only begun
Mom
Mom?
You
You still think you're me?
You realize who I am?
Then you must know
who you are
The fishy smell from you
it's so disgusting!
I became your friend out of pity
and you had to play me!
You like living as me?
You think I'd let you forever?
No
No
I tormented you every night
so I could get my body back
I know who I am
I'm MIN Jiwon
No, you are not me!
You're HAN Su-in!
No!
I'm not Su-in, I am...
What do you wanna be later?
I wanna be you
You should kick that habit
Not wearing makeup?
- Who do you see in your dreams?
- I saw You in my dream
Don't remember
Take it to your grave

- What's this?
- A friend gave it to me
You asked me to buy you a necklace
once you got into college
Can I have it?
Stop worrying about me
and take care of yourself
Don't be sick
If you're sick I'm sick, too
You've never lived
upon your will
You think you could be me
in my body?
You're so pathetic
And I had to suffer for you!
All the pain I've felt
You should feel it, too
Now
I want my body back
You're right
I've never lived upon my will
Even me being you
Not any more
You
You were my only friend
I'm sorry, Jiwon
Hey, there
Thank God I came back
Mom?
After your father died
she drank nonstop
You two didn't quite get along
But who could imagine
I'll change now
From now on
I'll never leave you alone