



WHOOOOOAAAA!

OH SHIT!
I'M - GRAB MY
HAND-!

OW.

THAT WAS MORE THAN A LITTLE EMBARRASSING...

HERE, LET ME HELP YOU UP!

THANKS!





*GAH, I AM
JUST SUCH A KLUTZ!
DAMMIT, AMY, WATCH WHERE
YOU'RE GOING! SHEESH,
I'M SO SORRY.*

*HEY, IT'S AT
LEAST AS MUCH MY
FAULT! I WASN'T LOOKING
OUT EITHER, Y'KNOW.
YOU OKAY?*

OH, YEAH,
I'LL BE FINE, NO
WORRIES.

SAY...YOU
DIDN'T SEE MY
FRIEND BRI AROUND HERE,
DID YOU? IS SHE IN ONE
OF THOSE *CHANGING*
ROOMS?

OH, UH...
UM...YOUR *GULP*
FRIEND...? SKINNY WHITE
GIRL, WAVY RED-BLONDE
HAIR, KINDA PLAIN?





WELL, I
WOULDN'T CALL HER
PLAIN...I THINK SHE'S
ACTUALLY REALLY
PRET-

YEAH, I
SAW HER - SHE WAS
GOING TO TRY ON SOME
OUTFIT OR OTHER, BUT
LEFT SUDDENLY.

SHE RUSHED
STRAIGHT BACK OUT
THAT WAY, TOWARDS
THE DOOR.



GREAT, THANKS!
I'M GONNA TRY TO *SEE*
IF I CAN *CATCH* HER - AND
I'M *SO* SORRY ABOUT
BUMPING YOU!

YOU'RE *FINE*,
GIRL, *NOTHING* TO
WORRY ABOUT. *HOPE*
YOU FIND YOUR
FRIEND!

A woman with dark skin and long, wavy black hair is shown from the waist up, wearing a white, ribbed tank top. She has a surprised or relieved expression, looking slightly to her right. The background is a simple, textured wall. Three pink speech bubbles are overlaid on the image, containing text. The first bubble is at the top left, the second is in the middle, and the third is at the bottom right. The text in the bubbles is in a stylized, all-caps font with some words in italics.

PHEWWWWW...

THAT COULDA
GOT REAL AWKWARD...
IT'S ALWAYS WEIRD RUNNING INTO
SOMEONE I KNOW WHEN I'M
TRANSFORMED!

I GUESS THAT
ACCIDENT HELPED, THOUGH -
AMY DIDN'T SEEM TO NOTICE THAT
"ELLIE" HAS THE EXACT SAME JEWELRY
ON AS HER FRIEND BRIANNA!



BEST SEND
HER A *TEXT*, THOUGH,
TO, UH, GET OUR STORY
STRAIGHT, BRI!

SMART
THINKING,
ELLIE...

hey Ames, sorry to run off...
I forgot I had a delivery
coming today that I have to be
there for - meet you later?

no worries, Bri, call me
later and we can meet up,
okay?

NOW I HAVE TO CHANGE BACK
TO PAY FOR THESE *CLOTHES*...AND THEN THE
REAL FUN CAN BEGIN!

GOTTA MAKE
SURE THE *COAST* IS
CLEAR...DON'T WANT TO HAVE
TO *EXPLAIN* THINGS TO *AMY*,
THAT'S FOR SURE!

I *DON'T* WANT
TO *LOSE* THE ONE
NORMAL FRIENDSHIP I'VE
BEEN ABLE TO HOLD
ON TO!

MAYBE IT WOULD
JUST BE *EASIER* IF I TOLD
HER THE *TRUTH* ABOUT MYSELF...
BUT *WHAT* IF SHE THINKS I'M
SOME KIND OF *FREAK*?

AND *BESIDES*...
I'D BE *LYING* IF I SAID
I DIDN'T *ENJOY* HAVING
A FEW...*SECRETS*!

SIGH I
GUESS I'D BETTER
GET *GOING*, THEN. CAN'T
AFFORD TO *WASTE*
TIME!



ALL IN ALL, THAT WAS A *PRETTY* PRODUCTIVE *SHOPPING* TRIP!
BEFORE I LET "ELLIE" BACK OUT, THOUGH, I THINK I HAVE TIME
FOR *ONE MORE* STOP...*ANOTHER* OF MY *ALTER-EGOS* HAS BEEN
ITCHING FOR A *CHANCE* TO UPDATE *HER* WARDROBE, *TOO!*

MMMMMM...
YEAH...THAT SHOULD
BE *FUN*...

