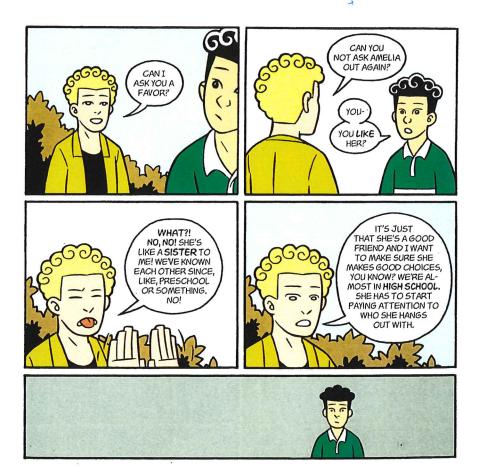




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ABOUT TWENTY
MINUTES INTO THE PARTY,
THOUGH, I FIGURED OUT
THAT LAUREN DIDN'T ACTUALLY
INVITE ME. HER MOM WANTED
TO HANG OUT WITH MY MOM,
AND I SORT OF JUST GOT
BROUGHT ALONG.

LAUREN AND HER
NEW PRIENDS HAD THEIR
OWN THING GOING, SO I
SPENT THE REST OF THE
PARTY WATCHING TV IN THE
LIVING ROOM, I FELT SO
EMBARRASSED.









