

The Yellow Envelopes

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FADE IN:

INT. VAUGHN'S DORM ROOM -DAY

The room is a mess; things are scattered all over.

VAUGHN, 19- year old sophomore; is searching every inch of his room.

DOOR opens.

Enter HARRISON, Vaughn's roommate.

HARRISON

Vaughn, what's up with all this?

Vaughn ignores Harrison, still searching, sticking his head into a storage container.

HARRISON (CONT'D)

Vaughn? Helloooo? What did you lose this time?

VAUGHN

Sorry man, I can't find my ID!

HARRISON

You lost your ID again? Man, you better find it, you need it to get into the game tomorrow.

VAUGHN

I know, I know, I know, don't worry, I'm gonna find it!

HARRISON

(annoyed) Really? So what's your "big" plan to find it?

VAUGHN

I think I left it in the dining hall so I'm gonna head over there to see if anyone's turned it in.

HARRISON

Well, I hope it's in there... You might as well just go buy another and get it over with.

VAUGHN

No way, I'm determined to find this one! Plus I can't afford another.

VAUGHN EXITS.

EXT. DINING HALL - DAY

Vaughn is running up to the entrance of the DINING HALL.

IMOGEN, a freshman girl, is leaving the dining hall.

Vaughn trips up the stairs and his wallet falls out his pocket and slides across the sidewalk.

Imogen picks it up and helps him stand up.

IMOGEN
Hey are you alright?

VAUGHN
Yeah, a little embarrassed but I'm
good thanks,

Vaughn starts off towards the door.

IMOGEN
Hey wait, you dropped your wallet!

VAUGHN
Oh my gosh thank you, I can't
afford to lose anything else today!

Vaughn takes the wallet and heads to the entrance of the
DINING HALL.

INT. DINING HALL DAY

Vaughn walks up to the front counter.

VAUGHN
Hey has anyone turned in an ID for
Vaughn Miller?

FRONT CLERK
No, I'm sorry man we haven't gotten
anything but you're welcome to go
inside and look around for it.

Vaughn walks into the seating area.

Vaughn looks under all the booths and tables, but still
doesn't see his ID so he decides to leave.

Vaughn is leaving the DINING HALL when his two friends,
AMANDA and GIDEON, call him to their table.

AMANDA, resident advisor who's consistent wardrobe of pastel business casual clothes describes her insistence to impress anyone she meets.

GIDEON, 21, senior who's free form locs describe his carefree outlook on the world.

AMANDA

Vaughn! How have you been?

VAUGHN

I'm fine, a little stressed because I can't find my ID...

AMANDA

You lost your ID again? (laughing)
Wow isn't that like your fifth one?
you should attend our floor program
next week about getting organized,
it's never too late in the
semester!

VAUGHN

Yeah they're just so easy to lose!
I'm determined to find this one
though!

GIDEON (DEON)

Yeah man, to be honest, I haven't
seen my ID in weeks I just can't
justify paying 40 bucks for that!

AMANDA

Deon that's crazy! How does that
work? You need your ID for pretty
much everything...?

GIDEON

Honestly, I feel like I've never
needed it... I never stress about
that stuff.

VAUGHN

Yeah well I just hope I find mine,
I guess I'll check my room again
and try to retrace my steps.

AMANDA

You should head over to the student
services office and report it lost
just in case.

VAUGHN

Yeah if I don't find it today, I'll go tomorrow... they've seen me too many times this semester.

Vaughn gets up from the table and leaves the DINING HALL.

Vaughn opens the door to his room and a bright yellow envelope falls out the door.

It's not labelled so He opens it.

The note inside reads:

"To find your ID, you must listen to me. Your first clue is easy; just go find Lucy"

Vaughn, still in the hallway looks around confused.

He walks into his room and Harrison is still there.

VAUGHN (CONT'D)

(Holding the note) Harrison did you do this?

HARRISON

What are you talking about? What is that?

VAUGHN

This note was in the door when I opened it! It looks like a clue to find my ID.

HARRISON

A clue? What the heck let me see that.

Harrison grabs the note and reads it.

HARRISON (CONT'D)

"find Lucy"... Who's that?

VAUGHN

It's the RA director of our building, Ms. Mooney,

MS. MOONEY, 59, a tough older heavysset African American woman. Her thin rim glasses slide down her nose at angle that appears as if she's always interrogating you.

VAUGHN (CONT'D)

VAUGHN (CONT'D)

she lets the girls in our building
call her Lucy...

HARRISON

Wow so that must mean this mystery
person is a girl! But good luck
she's the worst; She wrote me up
for drinking out of a red cup!
There wasn't even alcohol in it.

VAUGHN

Yeah I don't know about this, like
who would do all this over my ID?

HARRISON

(pushing Vaughn out the door)Man
don't think about that right now,
you need to get your ID so we can
have fun at this game! Go!

Vaughn leaves and heads to Ms. Mooney's office

INT. MS. MOONEY'S OFFICE NOOK - DAY

He walks into her office not noticing the bright envelope
taped to the wall beside her office door frame.

VAUGHN

Ms. Mooney?

MS. MOONEY

Hi, what is it?

VAUGHN

Do you have some kind of note for
me?

MS. MOONEY

What are you talking about boy?

VAUGHN

I got this clue saying... (looking
down) oh never mind I guess I'm
mistaken.

MS. MOONEY

(sitting up and fixing her glasses)
Are you on drugs? Do I need to
write you up?

VAUGHN

What? No! Have a nice day Ms.
Mooney!

Vaughn rushes out the door and shuts it. He takes a deep breath closing his eyes.

When he starts to leave the office nook, he notices the envelope on the door.

This clue reads:

"Good job, you found the first clue. To find the next one, go to Booth's.

Vaughn leaves the dorm building.

EXT. BOOTH'S BREAKFAST NOOK

Vaughn walks up the steps to the entrance and see an envelope near the stores rock garden.

He opens it and reads it.

MONTAGE - VARIOUS

A) INT. LIBRARY- DAY - Vaughn is in a library looking down the aisles. As Vaughn walks down the aisle, Imogen is seen leaving the aisle but Vaughn doesn't notice her. He finds a yellow envelope inside a book on one of the shelves.

B) INT. BOOKSTORE- Vaughn finds a yellow envelope under a stack of T-shirts.

C) INT. CONVENIENCE STORE - Vaughn is at the convenience store opening a yellow envelope he found in the beverage refrigerator.

End MONTAGE.

INT. VAUGHN'S DORM - NIGHT

Vaughn, Gideon, and Harrison are in the room.

VAUGHN

You guys have to help me figure
this out! It's the last clue.

GIDEON

OK, read it again?

VAUGHN

OK listen to it: "Look at you, you've found the final clue. To find your ID, you must go to floor three."

VAUGHN (CONT'D)

(After pausing) I have no idea what it means! We've checked that floor a hundred times!

HARRISON

Well we better check again! You need that ID! And the student services office is closed for the weekend...

GIDEON

Maybe we should check that floor one more time, it's been awhile and sometimes when you're looking for something you have to take a step back and come back to it for a different perspective...

VAUGHN

Yeah, I guess we can try that...

Vaughn, Harrison, and Gideon leave the dorm room.

INT. FLOOR THREE- NIGHT

Vaughn, Harrison, and Gideon walk down the hallway. Each of them look like they're ready to give up.

HARRISON

Well I guess there's no game for you tomorrow... hey Gideon you down to come with me?

VAUGHN

GUYS I'm not giving up on this! It's only 8:30pm!

GIDEON

I'm with you Vaughn we got this!

HARRISON

Well good luck with that you guys, I'm gonna go find someone to go with me to this game tomorrow.

GIDEON
 Hey, you guys wait, all the clues
 have been in yellow envelopes
 right?

BOTH
 Yeah...

GIDEON
 Look at that door, with all those
 yellow stickers!

HARRISON
 Yeah Vaughn, go knock on the door!

Harrison pushes Vaughn towards the door. Harrison and Gideon
 both run off laughing.

VAUGHN
 Hey where are y'all going?!

Vaughn looks down the hallway and looks back at the door.

Vaughn knocks on the door.

Imogen opens the door.

VAUGHN (CONT'D)
 Hey I've seen you before!

IMOGEN
 (laughs) yeah we've been running
 into each other all day

VAUGHN
 This might sound weird but do you
 have an envelope or something for
 me?

IMOGEN
 Um, Yeah I actually have your ID...

Imogen pulls the ID out her pocket

VAUGHN
 Oh wow! So what was this all about?
 Why'd you do all this with the
 clues?

IMOGEN
 This might seem a little silly but
 I've had a crush on you since last
 semester but I could never seem to
 get your attention...
 (MORE)

IMOGEN (CONT'D)

My friends help me come up with the
idea.. (smiling)

VAUGHN

Yeah well this was very creative! A
little stressful but it's good to
know you're not some weirdo... SO
what's the final clue?

IMOGEN

Well you found me so you get your
ID, and I was sorta hoping we could
make plans to go out if you're
interested...

VAUGHN

Sounds like a plan.

INT. RESTAURANT -NIGHT

Vaughn and Imogen are sitting at a restaurant laughing.

FADE OUT.