

TIMMY COOPER AUDITION

BELLA

Do you like your name?

TIMMY COOPER

Sometimes.

(Pause)

Should I not?

BELLA

No! I think it's... I think it's lovely.

TIMMY COOPER

Oh.

(Pause, then abrupt)

I mean thank you.

BELLA

You are... very welcome.

(Another pause)

Does anyone ever call you Timothy?

TIMMY COOPER

If you want—

BELLA

I won't if you don't want me to—

TIMMY COOPER

Call me Timothy.

BELLA

I don't think I'm going to.

(Waiting)

I'd say call me Bella but that's what everybody calls me.

TIMMY COOPER

What else would they call you?

BELLA

My parents named me Annabella. Which is... *long*.

TIMMY COOPER

I think it's nice.

BELLA

I mean... you can call me Annabella—if you want.

TIMMY COOPER

Okay.

Annabella.

BELLA

I don't like that.

TIMMY COOPER

I'm sorry.

BELLA

It's alright—

TIMMY COOPER

No, I mean, like there was the moment. And I felt I was supposed to and then I said it and it was *weird*—

BELLA

It wasn't too weird.

TIMMY COOPER

Yes—of course—I mean—I'm sorry.

BELLA

My mom always tells me I apologize too much.

TIMMY COOPER

Me too.

BELLA

Moms, am I right?

TIMMY COOPER

Moms.

BELLA

Sorry that was so *vague*.

TIMMY COOPER

It had a nice effect.

BELLA

Thanks. I like the way it hung in the air.

TIMMY COOPER

You should write movies.

BELLA

I'd like to. I think I'm dramatic enough.

TIMMY COOPER

You're not dramatic.

BELLA

I mean you don't know me.

TIMMY COOPER

You're right.

BELLA

But you feel like you do.

TIMMY COOPER

I feel like I do.