

INT. NIKKI AND DOM'S PLACE - EVENING

Nikki and Dom saying goodbye to their dinner guests at the door.

Dom goes inside and immediately turns on the TV and plays a video game. Nikki comes over and just stands there and watches her.

NIKKI

Well, I'm gonna go do the dishes.

DOM

Cool.

She watches her.

NIKKI

It'd be nice if you'd help me.

DOM

No problem. I'm just gonna hit this game for a little bit...

NIKKI

Dom, come on. Let's just do them now.

DOM

I just honestly want to relax right now. I'd like to just sit here and let my food digest, just try and enjoy the quiet for a little bit...

(beat)

We'll do the dishes tomorrow.

NIKKI

You know I don't like waking up to a dirty kitchen.

DOM

Who cares?

NIKKI

I care! Alright? I care!

Dom rolls her eyes and throws the controller to the side and gets up.

DOM

Fine. I'll help you do the damn dishes.

NIKKI

You know what? No.

DOM

You just said you want me to help you do the dishes.

NIKKI

I want you to want to do the dishes.

DOM

Why would I want to do the dishes?

NIKKI

That's my whole point.

She goes to the kitchen and starts picking up the dishes.

NIKKI (CONT'D)

You know what, Dom? I asked you to do one thing today, one very simple thing. To bring me twelve lemons, and you brought me three.

DOM

If I knew I was going to be in this much trouble I would have brought you twenty four lemons. I wish everyone at the damn table would have had their own little private bag of lemons.

NIKKI

Dom, it's not about the lemons!

DOM

Well, that's all you're talking about!

NIKKI

I'm just saying that it'd be nicer if you did things without me having to ask you!

DOM

I did something for you this morning without you asking.

NIKKI

Oh, come on Dom. You know I was working today and I made that meal.

(MORE)

NIKKI (CONT'D)

You could have said, you know, I think I'm gonna get Nikki some flowers.

DOM

You said on our very first date that you don't like flowers. That they're a waste of money.

NIKKI

Every girl likes flowers, Dom.

DOM

You said that you don't like flowers, I'm supposed to take that to mean you do like flowers?

NIKKI

You're not getting it. It's not about the lemons, it's not about the flowers, it's not about the dishes... it's just that... it's everything... How many time's do I have to drop the hint about spending more quality time with each other? We don't go anywhere together!

DOM

We just went to the game together.

NIKKI

To the game? You think that's fun? That's fun for me? Come on man, I did that for YOU. What do you... How do you show up for me?

DOM

I'm on the bus every fucking day for you!

NIKKI

Come on! You...

DOM

To make enough money to support both of us, so hopefully you won't have to work one day!

NIKKI

I want to work!

DOM

All I ask, Nikki, is that you show a little bit of appreciation. That I just get twenty minutes to relax when I come home instead of being attacked with questions and nagging the whole damn time!

NIKKI

You think I nag you?

DOM

That's all you do! All you do is nag me! The bathroom's a mess! Your belt doesn't match! Hey Dom, you should probably go work out! Nothing I ever do is good enough!
(beat)
Sometimes I just want to be left the hell alone!

Dom leaves. Silence. Nikki then follows.

NIKKI

Really? Is that what you want, Dom? Is that really what you want?

DOM

Yes.

NIKKI

That's what you want? Fine. Great. Play your stupid fucking video game. I don't care. I'm done.

DOM

What?

NIKKI

I am done. I don't deserve this. I deserve somebody who gives a shit. I'm not spending one more second of this life with some inconsiderate bitch! You're a bitch!

She walks out. Slams the door.