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Ashleigh Says Out Loud the Thing She Meant to Say in Her Head

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

ASHLEIGH: Early 30s. Any ethnicity. Female.

DIANA: 40s. Any ethnicity. Female.

SETTING:

Ashleigh's backyard.

TIME:

Tuesday.

CONTENT WARNING:

Graphic violence.

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A suburban backyard.

DIANA arranges the yard for a get-together with makeshift fire pit, while ASHLEIGH chops wood with a axe.

DIANA

My god, I can't believe you're doing that.

ASHLEIGH

It's not as hard as looks.

DIANA

Really? Because it looks hard.

ASHLEIGH

I've had a lot of practice.

DIANA

Clearly.

Well! We are all set. Furniture arranged. Wood getting chopped.

Oh. You said you have lighter fluid, right?

ASHLEIGH

Oh, yeah. It's in the garage.

Under the rake. Next to Rachel's body.

Beat.

ASHLEIGH

I said that out loud, didn't I?

Beat.

ASHLEIGH sighs.

She crosses to DIANA and strikes her with the axe.

It only takes one swing.

Beat.

ASHLEIGH

I gotta stop doing that.

END OF PLAY.