SCENE 11 — Kate's Apartment

Daylight. Kate and Princeton are in bed. The phone rings, and Kate picks it up sleepily.

KATE MONSTER

Hello?

Mrs. Thistletwat appears.

MRS. THISTLETWAT

Good afternoon, Katherine. You may recall that you were supposed to teach my class this morning — WHILE I GOT MY HEART REPLACED!

KATE MONSTER

Oh my God!

MRS. THISTLETWAT

You left the children unattended for three hours! They created their own tribal society, and were about to sacrifice poor little Brittany! Where were you?!

KATE MONSTER

I — I overslept — I'm so sorry —

MRS. THISTLETWAT

I should have never hired a Monster!

KATE MONSTER

What?

MRS. THISTLETWAT

Your race is notoriously lazy.

KATE MONSTER

Well, better a Monster than a crabby old bitch!

Kate and Mrs. Thistletwat gasp in unison, Kate shocked at herself.

MRS. THISTLETWAT

Crabby old bitches are the bedrock of this nation! I regret the day I hired you!

KATE MONSTER

That's okay, because I quit!

MRS. THISTLETWAT

No, I'm going to fire you!

KATE MONSTER

But you can't fire me, because I quit!

MRS. THISTLETWAT

You're going to hell, Katherine!

KATE MONSTER

See ya there!

She hangs up and Mrs. Thistletwat vanishes. A moment.

Was I too mean?

PRINCETON

Good for you!

KATE MONSTER

I hated working for her! I can get by on my savings for awhile, and temp a little bit, and pursue what I really want in my life!

PRINCETON

Your school!

KATE MONSTER

Yes!

PRINCETON

I think you're really brave, Kate.

KATE MONSTER

Yeah?

A moment. They look at each other, then away, shyly.

PRINCETON

Listen, are you going to Brian and Christmas Eve's wedding?

KATE MONSTER

Of course!

PRINCETON

I was thinking maybe we could go, you know, together.

KATE MONSTER

Oh my gosh — it seems like I always go to weddings alone. I don't know what I'd DO if I went with —

A moment.

PRINCETON

With a boyfriend?