HEADS UP
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CAST
Claire—Enthusiastic, welcoming
Emily—More of the "straightwoman" character
Disco—Kinda seedy

                        (E + D entering apartment.)

                        CLAIRE
Oh my goshhhh, there's the new couple! So happy to see you guys.
Come in, come in! Emily, Disco, congratulations on your
ENGAGEMENT! Just have a seat wherever.

                        (Emily and Claire European-style cheek
                        kiss, Disco shakes Claire's hand.)

                        EMILY
Claiiiiire thank you so much for having us! I thought it would
be fun if we played Heads Up. You know the game where your
partner guesses a word without you saying it? It was on *Ellen*?

                        DISCO
I love that game, I'm amazing at that game, I will destroy
anyone at that game, at any time, without any remorse.

                        CLAIRE
Oh well aren't you a regular modest mouse, Disco! But we only
have three people?

                        EMILY
One of us can be on both teams! It'll be fine. Disco, if you're
so amazing at this, maybe you should be?

                        DISCO
Sure thing. I should warn you: it gets intense when I play.

                        CLAIRE
Okay, sure it does.

                        (Emily pulls out her phone.)

                        EMILY
Okay, Claire. You can start giving clues to Disco. We're doing
the "Adults only" deck…

                        (The word is "hooker.")

                    CLAIRE
Okay, Disco, this is like…a person you pay to have sex with you…

                    DISCO
Easy. A clown.

                    CLAIRE
What?

                    DISCO
I said "clown."

                    CLAIRE
It's not clown. You find them on a street corner?

                    DISCO
Ohhhh, a Ruby Tuesday's!

                    CLAIRE
What?

                    DISCO
Somewhere you have sex, that's sometimes on a street corner.

                    CLAIRE
No, Disco, what? No. Okay, let's skip.

                    DISCO
If you insist. But I'm pretty sure I gave the right answer.

                    (A buzzer sounds.)

                    EMILY
Aww, that's time, guys. Okay, my turn to guess with Disco.

                    DISCO
Okay, she played Princess Leia…

                    EMILY
Carrie—

                    DISCO
…In the Allentown Community Theater production of Star Wars the
Musical—

                    EMILY
Leslie McDougal!

                    CLAIRE
Wait, that was so specific—

                    DISCO
Okay, you put this on crackers—

                    EMILY
Cheese!

                    DISCO
Sorry, Leslie McDougal puts this on crackers—

                    EMILY
CHERRY CHAPSTICK!

                    DISCO
Good! Umm, you can knit these—

                    EMILY
Uh, hats. A scarf! Mittens? Glittens?

                    DISCO
No, we were talking about knitting these—

                    EMILY
Miniature woolen figurines of Leslie McDougal!

                    DISCO
Good!

                    CLAIRE
That can't possibly be on the card—

                    (A buzzer sounds.)

                    CLAIRE
Okay, that's time.

                    EMILY
Okay, time for me to give clues to Disco.

                    (Emily hands phone to Disco. "Surgeon")

                    EMILY
Okay, this is the person you go to get your appendix out!

                    DISCO
Alfonzo!

                    EMILY
What? No.

                    DISCO
Uh, I'm pretty sure the guy I go to is named Alfonzo.

                    EMILY
No, like, this type of doctor works in a hospital—

                    DISCO
No, Alfonzo definitely doesn't work in a hospital—

                    EMILY
Right, I'm not talking about Alfonzo—

                    DISCO
Obviously, because Alfonzo operates in the back room of Whacky
Jack's Auto Body Shop, next to the BJ's warehouse.

                    EMILY
Wait, Disco, no. Put the phone down…

                    DISCO
            (putting the phone down)
What's wrong?

                    EMILY
Disco, none of your answers is ever right.

                    DISCO
What are you talking about? Clown? Ruby Tuesday's? *Alfonzo?*
C'mon, Claire?

                    CLAIRE
Whoa, I don't need to be a part of this.

                    EMILY
I just…this worries me, Disco.

                    DISCO
Why? This is just a stupid game…

                    EMILY
It's kinda hard to see the answers you give and not think maybe
you have a really dark past I don't know about? Or like, present
even? Alfonzo is your *current* back alley surgeon?

                              DISCO
Look, babe, sure, there are things you don't know about me.
Countries you don't know I've lived in.

                              EMILY

There are?

                              DISCO
Killing techniques you don't know I possess,

                              EMILY

What?

                              DISCO
IHOPs you don't know I was conceived in—

                              EMILY

Hold up—

                              DISCO
But none of that should change anything. The person I am today
is the person you're going to marry.

                              CLAIRE
                         (inching out)
I'm just gonna dip into the other room—

                         DISCO & EMILY

Stay there.

                              EMILY
Okay, that's good to hear, because you're the Disco I want to
marry. The love of my life. The one I want to be my…

                              DISCO

Park Ranger—

                         EMILY & CLAIRE

Husband.

                              EMILY

Oh, for fuck's sake.

                         (Blackout.)