**Episode 111**

**In Ross’ flat with Lauren, Maddison, a Policeman, Elliot, Sasha, Judy and Amy looking at Laura. Bronwyn and Court are stood behind Laura**

Maddison – Can you repeat that, Laura?

Laura – Well, you heard me! It was Lauren; she killed Alex!She paid him a little visit the night he died! I bet she didn’t tell you that did she?

Maddison – Actually, she didn’t! So, how long have you been back? Me and you have got a LOT to catch up on, haven’t we? DC Towers, cuff her!

**The Policeman gets out a set of cuffs**

Laura – What?!

Maddison – Just a precaution.

**The policeman walks over to Laura and grabs her arm**

Laura – You can’t do that, I haven’t done anything!

Maddison – You could enter the Olympics; with the amount of running practice you’ve had!

**The Policeman cuffs Laura’s wrists together**

Laura – I told you I haven’t done anything! LOOK, THIS IS WRONG! I’m not the one you should be taking; Lauren is! I didn’t do ANYTHING!

**The Policeman forces Laura out the door, exiting and Lauren turns to Maddison**

Maddison – Perhaps you’d like to come with us, Lauren? It was you we came to see after all.

Lauren – Me? Why?

Maddison – Just a few routine questions! Although, after what I’ve just heard—

Court – Laura’s been drinking, she doesn’t know what she’s talking about!

Lauren – No! No, it’s alright, Court. I should go! Let’s get this over with, eh?

**Lauren exits and Maddison follows her, exiting**

**In an unowned flat crowded with people, focussed on Izzy facing Liam and Gemma**

Izzy – I thought we were meant to be!

Liam – I hardly know you; what am I supposed to do? Find out you have feelings for me and never look at a girl after?!

Izzy – Well, you could’ve waited till I had the guts to come up to you and tell you! Instead of me, you pull out the first tramp you could see!

**Gemma laughs slightly**

Liam – At least she’s fun!

Izzy – What’s that supposed to mean?

Liam – You’re not exactly easy to be around, are you?! You’re so closed off in your own little world, sometimes when people are with you it’s like being with a brick wall!

**Izzy slaps Liam across the face madly. Gemma laughs slightly and Izzy slaps her across the face**

Izzy – Come on then, fight back! You’re not so tough now are you? You skank!

Gemma – Say that again, then!

**Gemma grabs Izzy’s head and pulls her hair, Izzy screams. Sarah’s in the crowd of people watching, Rach enters**

Rach – What’s going on?!

Sarah – Where have you been hiding?!

Rach – You should be taking control; it’s your party!

Sarah – Don’t make any sudden movements! Your trousers might split.

**Rach sees the wet patch on Sarah’s top**

Rach – Yeah, nice top(!)

**Rach turns to Ross and Jason in the crowd, laughing at the fight**

Rach – DO SOMETHING THEN!

**Rach rolls her eyes, dropping her handbag and pulling Izzy and Gemma apart as they fight**

Rach – BREAK IT UP!

**Rach turns to Gemma**

Rach – Don’t I know you?

Izzy – Oh, she’s tried to ruin your chances of getting a boyfriend as well, has she?!

**Sarah exits, walking into the bedroom**

Rach – Why can’t you just talk about it or something?

Gemma – I’ve got better things to do; like Mr. Hotty here!

Liam – Look, honestly, Izzy; I don’t even know you, so—

Izzy – Do you know what?

**Izzy charges at Gemma and Gemma grabs Rach, blocking herself from Izzy**

Rach – What are you doing?! Get off me!

**Rach pulls herself away from Gemma**

Rach – GET OFF!

**Rach turns to Gemma and slaps her across the face, Gemma slaps her back. Rach grabs Gemma’s hair and pulls it, Gemma throws Rach to the floor and punches her, Izzy pulls Gemma off Rach and the three of them fight, Jason walks over to Liam**

Jake – That’s my mate, man! The girl you played tongue-twister with! But, I wouldn’t get on the wrong side of that Rach girl, init!

Liam – Yeah, I’ve got to stop them!

Ross – No don’t! This is just getting entertaining!

Liam – Well, where the hell’s Sarah?!

Jason – Move out the way, man! You’re blocking my view!

**Jason pushes in front of Liam and Ross hides a laugh. Sarah enters and walks over to the fight**

Sarah – ENOUGH!

**Sarah points at Gemma**

Sarah – You! OUT!

**Gemma stands. Izzy stands and pulls Rach up, Rach pushes Gemma into the wall, and Gemma hits her head on a shelf. Gemma freezes and holds her forehead, she turns and takes her hand around from her head, and her forehead is wounded**

Gemma – You’re gonna regret that.

Sarah – No one wants you here, so just GET OUT!

**Gemma nods, walking over to the buffet table, she picks up a huge bowl of punch and throws the punch at Izzy, Rach and Sarah, she drops the bowl. Gemma smiles and exits**

**In Ryan’s living room with Ryan sat down on the sofa, the laptops in front of him on the table and he’s looking through houses for sale. Jasmine’s sat next to him looking at the Baby Scan**

Ryan – How about the South Coast? The rent over there seems pretty reasonable.

Jasmine – Yeah, whatever.

**Ryan turns to Jasmine**

Ryan – Jas, this is your decision too, you know?

Jasmine – Yeah, I know! I don’t mind, as long as it’s the three of us!

Ryan – Yeah, me too.

**Amanda enters and Ryan closes the laptop lid turning to Amanda**

Jasmine – I thought you were going out?

Amanda – I changed my mind!

**Amanda sits down on the sofa, nearby Ryan and Jasmine. She picks up the newspaper on the table and reads through**

Amanda – What was that?

Ryan – What was what?

Amanda – What you were looking at on the laptop!

Jasmine – It was nothing.

Amanda – Jasmine, you always were a terrible liar! It’s alright, I know your secret! And I think it’s wonderful!

Jasmine – Do you?

Amanda – I’ve never had a surprise Birthday Party before! Sorry, I’m just excited! But it’s alright; I won’t let anyone know that I know! You can trust me to keep a secret!

**Amanda laughs, putting the newspaper on the table and standing up**

Amanda – Maybe I will go out! I’ll give you a chance to plot behind my back properly!

**Amanda exits, closing the door behind her**

**In Ross’ living room with Elliot, Court, Judy, Amy and Sasha. Court passes Elliot some money**

Court – Get Bronwyn out the way, she’s not involved in any of this!

Elliot – Well, why are you giving this to me for?! I’ll spend all this on myself!

Court – I don’t want Maddison or the Police asking any questions, Elliot!

Amy – Well, why shouldn’t they? The rest of us are being questioned!

Sasha – I’m just worried about Lauren.

**Elliot rolls his eyes and exits**

Court – I’ll go to the Station, Lauren will need a lift after being questioned!

Judy – I’ll drive you there.

**Judy exits and Court walks to the doorway**

Amy – IF they let her out.

**Court stares at Amy and exits**

**In the interview room with Laura sat down facing Maddison**

Maddison – So, you came back on the night Alex died?

Laura – Yeah, you can check that nail you found if you like! It could’ve been there for ages! I never went near the Pub. I’m like Lauren; I mean, the state she was in when she left.

Maddison – I’ll need to talk about your little vanishing act after your husband died, we can come back to that later!

Laura – I want to talk about it now.

Maddison – I’m afraid I can’t take a witness statement from you right now.

**Maddison rolls her eyes and looks at her watch**

Maddison – Interview suspended at 20:13.

**Maddison presses “***STOP***” on the recorder**

Laura – Alex gave me the money to do a runner. Lauren found out, and when I came back she was furious with me! It looked like she had something to hide.

Maddison – Do you know how serious this would be in a formal interview? You’re accusing your own friend of murder!

Laura – I’m just telling you how it was.

**Maddison stares at Laura**

**In Ross’ living room with Amy looking through Lauren’s handbag. Sasha enters**

Sasha – What are you looking for?

Amy – I dunno, there’s just something that might give us an answer!

Sasha – Well, you’re not gonna find them in Lauren’s bag, are you? Y-You think Laura’s telling the truth, don’t you?

**Amy pulls out a sheet of paper from Lauren’s handbag, unfolds it and looks at it**

Sasha – C’mon, that’s crazy! Lauren wouldn’t hurt a fly!

Amy – Sasha, come here.

**Sasha walks over to Amy and Amy shows Sasha the sheet of paper it says “***ACNOWLEDGEMENT OF SERVICE* ***(*Divorce*)*” “***ALEXANDER***” “***LAUREN****”***

Amy – Couldn’t she?

**Sasha stares at Amy in shock**

**In the interview room with a policeman and Maddison facing Lauren sat down at a table**

Lauren – Yes, I went to see him! And yes, I was angry! But when I left him he was fine.

Maddison – Oh, come on, Lauren! The man who’s divorcing you takes away your home, your livelihood! Then you find out he’s the reason you and your friends lost all that bail money! Not to mention Sasha’s sister. You expect me to believe that you just went round to the Pub to give him a good slap on the wrist? I would’ve been furious! I would’ve wanted blood!

Lauren – That’s not my style.

Maddison – Laura would disagree.

Lauren – Laura; she’s confused! She’s scared! Alex’s death; it was a shock to all of us! She’s just looking for someone to blame!

Maddison – Or perhaps she’s trying to deflect suspicion away from herself? Laura said she never went near the Pub, she just happened to lose that finger nail on the same day. Bit of a coincidence, don’t you think? I’m wondering if Laura might’ve had a little final reunion with Alexander? After all, she went away believing he’d done her a big favour! Giving her all that money to get away! She wouldn’t have even imagined coming back to find her Sister and friends practically destroyed! That must’ve made her feel very, very guilty! And guilt does funny things to people, don’t you think?

**Lauren looks down at the table and sighs, then looks up at Maddison**

Lauren – No. Laura didn’t do it.

Maddison – How can you be so sure?

Lauren – A friend knows these things.

Maddison – Your loyalty’s very touching, Lauren. But, Laura’s hardly a chip off the old block. She doesn’t seem confused or scared to me! And she’s certain that you murdered your husband!

Lauren – Whatever happened between me and Alex... I couldn’t. I wouldn’t. I loved him. I always did. But, why hasn’t anyone around here arrested Sophs? If anyone should be down here; it’s her! She didn’t care about him; she just used him! SHE wanted his money!

Maddison – Ah, yes! Sophie! Another reason for you to hate Alexander! Didn’t take him long to line up another model, did it? I bet that was hard to settle in!

Lauren – That girl’s evil. I’m telling you!

Maddison – Now who’s looking for someone else to blame? Let’s just stick with Laura for the moment! If you think she’s accusing you to save herself, then now’s the time to say so. Unless, you want to spend a lot longer in this place!

**Lauren stares at Maddison and sighs**

**In the unowned bedroom with Izzy stood up by the bed. Sarah’s looking at Imane’s pictures**

Sarah – Ross has hardly looked at me all night! Too busy chatting up that Stacey girl! You know what they all say about her! I swear blokes are only interested in one thing, aren’t they? I mean, look at Liam!

**Izzy sits down on the bed sadly and Sarah turns to Izzy**

Sarah – I reckon you did the right thing, telling him the truth!

Izzy – I know you’re right... But—

**Izzy begins to cry and Sarah gets a box of tissues. She takes some tissues, walks over to the bed, handing them to Izzy and sitting down next to her**

Izzy – I got him so wrong! I thought he was kind, sensitive; I mean not like all the other boys in the Hotel! Just the way he didn’t—

Sarah – Please, don’t talk about that kind of stuff in front of me! It’s really wrong!

Izzy – I thought Liam was one of the good ones!

Sarah – So did I.

**Sarah pulls Izzy towards her and hugs her**

Izzy – I’ve always wanted to wait for the right time with the right boy. But it’s like you say; they’re all the same! Might as well get with the first bloke you can; get it all over and done with! Use them before they use you.

**Izzy looks up at Sarah**

**In Ross’ living room with Sasha and Amy sat down at the table. Sasha’s looking at the Divorce Papers**

Sasha – It doesn’t have to mean anything.

Amy – Are you kidding? Sasha, it means they’re still married, alright?! Which means with Alex out the way, Lauren can still get the Pub back! This is a pretty big deal; it’s not the kind of thing that you’d forget to tell anyone!

Sasha – She’s been through loads lately, okay? Laura’s been kicking off! Maybe she was waiting for the right moment?

Amy – Yeah? Well, Laura’s right.

Sasha – You honestly believe she killed him?

Amy – She had no other motive than Laura!

Sasha – Plenty of us had a motive.

Amy – Well, she didn’t say anything about going back! She said nothing about these! Do you really think Alex would just let her swarm back in with no argument? I’m telling you, Sasha, she’s hiding something!

**Sasha puts the Divorce Papers on the table and looks at Amy**

**In the interviewing room with Laura sat down. Maddison enters and looks at Laura, closing the door behind her**

Laura – So what did she say?

Maddison – You know I can’t tell you that!

Laura – I bet she said I did it!

**Maddison stares at Laura**

Laura – She did, didn’t she?!

Maddison – Let’s just stick with the matter in hands, shall we?

**Maddison sits down at the table, opposite Laura**

**In Ross’ living room with Sasha sat down looking at the Divorce Papers, Amy’s stood up by Sasha**

Amy – She was willing to set up your Sister for murder! I mean, who does that to a friend?

Sasha – Since when were you so concerned about Laura? You haven’t exactly been her biggest fan!

Amy – It’s not about what I think of Laura—

Sasha – No, it’s about you having somebody to blame! Don’t you think I want that too?! None of us like this—This suspicion! But this is crazy!

Amy – Is it?!

Sasha – Yes!

**Amy sits down on the sofa nearby Sasha**

Amy – Sasha, look, I wasn’t the biggest fan of Alex either. It’s not that simple for Lauren, is it? He’s just the latest in a long line of blokes to let her down!

Sasha – He was more than that; he was the love of her life and maybe that’s why she took these back?

Amy – I really want to believe you! But, she had all her friends supporting her, Laura was back, I just—I can’t help but think that—None of this meant more to her than—

Sasha – Him?

Amy – The Pub. Sasha, that was the real love of her life, wasn’t it? I mean, nothing else even came close! I reckon she’d fight to death for that Pub!

**Sasha stares at Amy sadly**

**Outside the Police Station with Judy sat in the Driver’s seat of her Car. Court enters, climbing into the passenger’s seat and slamming the door**

Court – They still won’t tell me anything! I don’t know what’s taking them so long.

Judy – Maddison will have something planned out. She’s obviously got them turning against each other!

Court – Amy’s not picking up either! This whole things a mess!

Judy – What’s Laura playing at accusing Lauren?!

Court – Dunno.

Judy – They won’t take it seriously; I mean she’s no Rose West! But, if anybody had good reasons for killing the bloke. She loved him though. Despite everything he put her through, it’s surprising what stuff can make people do.

**Court turns to Judy slowly and Judy stares at her**

**In the interviewing room with Lauren sat down at the table. Maddison enters, closing the door behind her**

Lauren – Can I go home now?

**Maddison stares at Lauren**

Lauren – Look, I know my rights. Unless you’re gonna charge me with something you can’t keep me here!

Maddison – You’re free to go, Lauren.

**Lauren sighs with relief and stands**

Maddison – But Laura will be staying here with us. She’s been arrested for breaking the terms of her bail.

Lauren – And Alex?

Maddison – Let’s just say that the investigation is still ongoing!

Lauren – Can I see her?

Maddison – I don’t think so.

Lauren – Please!

**Maddison smiles at Lauren**

**In Ryan’s living room with Jasmine kneeled by Ryan; who’s sat on the sofa**

Jasmine – I’m not saying we’re not going eventually; just not yet! If we disappear all of a sudden it’s gonna be a bit weird! Especially if Mum thinks we’re doing a party for her! She’ll be gutted.

Ryan – She’ll get over it! Besides, what’ll happen to me, you and the baby?

Jasmine – Ryan—

Ryan – Jas, if we stay, people are gonna start asking the questions the minute you start showing! What if your Mum finds out the dates and works out I’m not the father?

Jasmine – Yeah, well she won’t know about Alex! No one will! Look, she’s my Mum, Ryan and for the last few months she’s really been there for me! Nobody else was. I can’t just leave her now!

Ryan – OK, fine. We’ll stay for now. But we can’t keep tiptoeing round this, Jas. You’re nearly fifteen weeks gone!

Jasmine – I know... You’re right. We’re gonna have to face up to it sooner or later! I think we should just tell Mum tonight.

**Ryan stares at Jasmine**

**In the unowned living room crowded with people. Jason walks over to a group of girls holding a box with the game; Twister**

Jason – Fancy a game, ladies?

**Elliot and Ross stare at Jason awkwardly and Jason notices them**

Jason – What? Do you want some bling?

Elliot – What do you reckon?

**Jason walks over to them**

Jason – It’s heavy for new people which wear the bling! Well, not heavy, but it’s—

Elliot – Right, I’m get away from you, alright?

**Elliot walks to the other side of the room and Ross follows him. Jason walks over to another group of girls holding the box with the game; Twister**

Jason – Twister?

**Rach walks over to Ross and Elliot walks to the bathroom**

Ross – Aren’t you gonna take some clothes out of Imane’s wardrobe, then?

Rach – What? Have you seen some of the stuff she wears?! I’d rather look like this, thanks!

Ross – People are staring at you!

Rach – And you really think I’m bothered?

Ross – I’m not saying you should be! I mean, this whole wet, damp style is just—It doesn’t look—It—

Rach – Do you want a drink, or what?

**Ross nods and Rach picks up a bottle of alcohol from the table, shakes it and opens it pouring drink over Ross and a crowd of people**

Ross – RACH—!

**Rach turns and pushes a vase off the table and laughs. People pick up cans of beer and shakes them, pouring them everywhere the room. Liam enters, walking out the kitchen**

Liam – WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

**Jason stands on the table**

Jason – Don’t worry, man! OI, YO! YO! STOP IT, ALIGHT?! STOP I—

**The table’s legs snap and Jason falls to the floor as the table breaks**

Liam – Ross, can you help me out here?!

**Liam holds his head, panicking**

**In the unowned bedroom with Sarah and Izzy. Izzy puts her coat on**

Izzy – Did you hear something smash?

Sarah – Well, it’s not a decent party until something gets broken, is it? Look, just because you and Liam aren’t made for each other... It could mean that Ross could be interested in you?

Izzy – Maybe I’ll—I’ll try and get him to know I like him!

**Ross enters**

Ross – What? I’m sorry, but that won’t—!

**There’s a smash coming from the living room**

Ross – Sarah, you need to get back out there NOW!

**Sarah runs out the bedroom to the living room**

**In the living room, people are smashing the room apart and pouring drink everywhere. Sarah, Izzy and Ross enter. Izzy exits**

Ross – Izzy, I—

Sarah – Ross, you can’t leave!

Ross – You do something, it’s your party!

**Ross exits**

Sarah – Aright, guys, seriously! COME ON!

**Liam’s stood by the window, he turns to Sarah**

Liam – I don’t want to worry you, Sarah... But a police car’s outside!

**Sarah runs to the window and looks out of it, the Car Park, she turns to Liam and he winks**

Liam – POLICE!

Sarah – GET OUT, HURRY! NOW!

**Everyone put Liam, Sarah and Rach run out the flat**

**In the hallways with Izzy walking, Ross is running after her**

Ross – Izzy, I didn’t know you were interested in me! I didn’t mean it in a horrible way; what I said!

**Izzy stops walking and turns to Ross**

Izzy – Why don’t you join Liam’s new girlfriend?

**Izzy exits and Ross turns to Gemma, who’s sat on a sofa down the hallway**

**In the unowned flat with Sarah looking down at the mess, she puts her hand on her head and sighs. Rach enters**

Rach – Yeah, your Auntie Deboah will sort it out for you won’t she?! But, where were you when me and Izzy needed you, eh?! Pathetic.

**Rach exits and Sarah picks up a packet**

Sarah – Ross, are you still—

**The packet’s got a condom inside and Liam enters**

Liam – No need to thank me!

**Sarah turns to Liam, hiding the condom behind her back**

Sarah – It’s alright, I could’ve handled it.

Liam – OK!

Sarah – Thank you.

Liam – Do you need anything clearing up?

Sarah – Well, won’t that Gemma girl be waiting for you?

Liam – I haven’t seen her for a while! Do you want me here or not?

**Sarah smiles at Liam as he begins picking up the rubbish on the floor. Sarah puts the condom in her pocket and smiles, turning to Liam**

**In the interview room with Lauren stood up. The door opens and Maddison enters, followed by a cuffed Laura**

Lauren – Laura! Can we have a moment, please?

**Maddison shakes her head and closes the door**

Maddison – Rules are rules.

Lauren – Laura, I know what’s behind all this. I know you’re scared! But this is not the right way to turn on one another! We’re friends! And we need to stick together.

Laura – “*Stick together*”? Yeah, that’s a good one(!)

Lauren – What are you talking about?

Laura – I heard you and Court talking earlier! I know all about your little plan to sell me down the river!

Lauren – Is this why you did this?!

Laura – I thought I’d get in there first.

Lauren – You’re such an ungrateful little—After EVERYTHING we’ve done for you!

Laura – See, Maddison! This is the real Lauren!

Lauren – No! I’m sorry, Laura! I’m really sorry for everything, but I’m sure we both said things that we regret and it’s been a hard day for both of us!

Laura – I don’t regret any of it. I am so sick of coming last! All of my life it’s been Sasha, then Court, then Amy, then right at the bottom; me!

Lauren – No, that’s not true!

Laura – Yeah, you’re right! Cos now there’s Ross, Bronwyn and Judy aren’t there?! So where does that leave me, eh?! I’ll tell you; nowhere! Go home. I can’t even bare to look at you.

Lauren – I’m still your friend, Laura...

Laura – Not anymore. As far as I’m concerned, you might as well be dead.

**Maddison opens the door and Laura exits, followed by Maddison. Lauren looks down sadly and sighs**

**In the unowned living room, the room is now clean. Liam and Sarah are facing each other**

Liam – That’s the last of the bottles! Looks like my work here is done!

Sarah – Well, there’s still some beers! If you want one.

Liam – Are you trying to get me drunk so you can have you wicked way with me?

**Liam picks up a box on the floor of the game; Twister**

Liam – I’ve got a better idea!

Sarah – That’s for kids!

Liam – It doesn’t have to be!

**Sarah smiles at Liam and he smiles back**

**In Ross’ living room with Elliot. Lauren and Court enter**

Court – Isn’t Ross back yet?

Elliot – No, he just texted me to wait here until he comes back!

Court – What about Sasha and Amy?

Elliot – They’re with Gabriella.

Court – You should get to bed, Lauren!

Lauren – I couldn’t sleep if I tried. I’m a bit hungry anyway; I might make myself a sandwich. Can I get you anything?

Court – No thanks!

**Lauren smiles at Court and exits, walking into the kitchen**

Elliot – So?

Court – So what?

Elliot – So, how did it go?

Court – Oh, it went great(!) Laura’s locked up! Lauren’s going mad! How do you think it went?!

Elliot – Well, they didn’t let her go, did they?

Court – Of course they didn’t let her go! She’s on bail, end of!

Elliot – But I thought Laura accusing Lauren would—

Court – What do you mean accusing her?! Don’t think, Elliot, alright?! You need to leave!

Elliot – I only just came back!

Court – Well, go out again, yeah?! Go for a walk, go for a drink! Just get out!

**Elliot rolls his eyes and sighs, exiting and closing the door behind him**

**In the unowned living room with Liam and Sarah playing Twister**

Liam – No way can you get that!

Sarah – You sure about that?

Liam – Alright then; you, top.

Sarah – Fine.

**Sarah struggles to move**

Liam – Spoilt sport!

Sarah – I can’t help it if I’m flexible! Your turn!

**Liam spins the colour wheel**

Sarah – Get ready to lose your jeans!

Liam – Oh, you’ll see!

**Liam moves his foot**

Sarah – YOU CHEATED!

Liam – How?

Sarah – You moved your foot!

Liam – That’s a lie!

Sarah – CHEAT!

Liam – That’s the biggest lie I’ve heard for ages!

Sarah – Dream on.

**Liam laughs and grabs Sarah’s arm, Sarah screams and falls to her back, Liam holds her arms down and the condom falls out Sarah’s pocket. Liam sits up and Sarah sits up as well**

Liam – That’s why you wanted me to stick around?

Sarah – It wasn’t for—

Liam – It’s not that I don’t want to. I mean look at you, I’m not blind! I don’t want to take advantage. I mean you’ve had a bit to drink and—

Sarah – I’m not drunk.

**Sarah leans toward Liam and they kiss, Liam lies down and they continue to kiss. Liam sits up and Sarah kneels down**

Liam – You sure about this?

Sarah – Shut up.

**Sarah kisses Liam and Liam kisses her back**

**In Ryan’s kitchen with Ryan and Jasmine sat down at the table with a cup of coffee on the table in front of them both**

Amanda - **\*From the front door\*** Hello!

Jasmine – Don’t worry! It’ll be alright.

**Amanda enters**

Amanda – Have you two had a good evening?

Jasmine – Well, we need to tell you something...

Amanda – No! It can wait till next week, surely!

Jasmine – It’s not about your Birthday.

Amanda – Ooh!

**Amanda sits down opposite Ryan and Jasmine**

Amanda – You’ve heard haven’t you? About Lauren and Laura being carted off by the police? Everyone’s talking about it! Personally, I can’t see it being either of them, can you? Mind you, in case it’s like this; I suppose everyone’s guilty until they’ve proven innocent!

Jasmine – You look tired! Should I make you a Hot Chocolate?

Amanda – OK!

**Jasmine stands and grabs Amanda by the arm, pulling her up and Amanda exits. Jasmine gets out the box with Dairy Milk Hot Chocolate and puts it on the kitchen counter**

Ryan – Jas, why didn’t you tell her?

Jasmine – Why do you think? You were right, Ryan, we’ve got to keep this baby to ourselves for as long as we can!

**Ryan looks down at the table and sighs**

**In Ross’ kitchen with Lauren, Court and Judy**

Lauren – I let her down. I let you all down!

Court – It’s my fault too.

Lauren – That Maddison; she’s not gonna leave us alone, is she?

Court – Lauren, she let you go didn’t she? And she still suspects you! She can’t prove a thing!

Judy – Lauren’s not the one she’s out to get though, is she?

Court – She can’t even go there with Laura, not yet anyway. It’s gonna take more than a lost fingernail to make Laura a serious suspect! What’s done now is done! The best thing to do now is to try and talk to Laura, and then she might soften up a bit!

**Sasha and Amy enter**

Sasha – They let you go, then?

Court – Course they did! She hasn’t done anything, has she?

Lauren – You didn’t think—?

Court – What’s the matter with you two?

Amy – Lauren, listen, we need to have a chat.

Sasha – Now might not be the best time, Amy.

Judy – Don’t mind me, I’m unshockable.

Lauren – Judy—

Court – Why don’t you go back to the flat?

**Judy nods and smiles slightly, picking up her coat and exiting**

Lauren – Well?

**Sasha and Amy look at Lauren nervously**

**In the unowned bedroom with Liam and Sarah laid in bed kissing**

Liam – Are you happy?

Sarah – Yeah!

Liam – Good.

**They kiss and Liam’s mobile beeps. Liam gets his mobile from the side and looks at it, he stands**

Liam – So...

**Liam starts getting dressed**

Liam – You wanna do this again some time?

Sarah – Yeah! Maybe...

Liam – Well, which is it? “*Yes*” or “*Maybe*”?

Sarah – Yes.

Liam – That’s more like it! I reckon I got you wrong when we first met. I thought you were a bit uptight, but you’re not.

**Liam puts his top on**

Liam – You’re cool, Sarah.

**Liam kisses Sarah**

Liam – I’ll give you a buzz.

**Liam exits, closing the door behind him smiling**

**In the hallways with Gemma and Ross at on the sofa talking. Liam walks out the unowned flat and exits, walking down the stairs**

Ross – Looks like the party’s over.

Gemma – Aren’t you gonna go back to your flat?

Ross – Nah, they can handle themselves.

**Ross looks at the cut on Gemma’s head**

Ross – You should get that seeing to!

Gemma – Yes, Mum(!)

**Ross stands**

Gemma – Did you ever meet the woman who used to live there? Judy.

Ross – Yeah, I’ve met her! She’s moved now though.

Gemma – You don’t say.

Ross – She hasn’t moved far though! How do you know Judy?

Gemma – We got back a long way.

**Ross looks at Gemma confused**

**In Ross’ kitchen with Lauren and Court facing Sasha and Amy. Lauren’s looking at the Divorce papers**

Lauren – You think I’d kill him for these?!

Sasha – Nobody said that!

Amy – It’s just weird that you never told us.

**Court looks at Lauren**

Court – Well, why didn’t you?

Lauren – Because when Alex died there was so much else to think about, I didn’t think it was important!

Amy – Then tell us now!

Lauren – Do you know what? I’ve spent enough time today explaining myself! You don’t want to believe it, then that’s up to you!

**Lauren begins to cry and Sasha walks over to Lauren, putting her arm around her shoulder**

Sasha – We don’t think that you did it, we were just wondering! Don’t worry.

**Amy sighs and walks over to Lauren, hugging her**

Lauren – Don’t worry, I’m alright!

**Lauren smiles**

Lauren – You’re all like a family to me now... All three of you! We have to stick together now.

**Louise enters**

Louise – Oh, really? No they’re not.

**Sasha and Amy turn to Louise**

Louise – They’re like MY family.

**Lauren, Sasha and Amy stare at Louise in shock**

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**Louise – Alexander’s Girlfriend**

**Sasha – PixelRainbow.**

**Amy – amyrose2024**

**Lauren – x.ATurtle.x**

**Court – Courtneighh**

**Laura – Sasha’s Sister**

**Judy – Amy’s Mum**

**Sarah – Izzy’s Cousin**

**Liam – Liz’s Son**

**Ross – Sasha’s Cousin**

**Gemma – ????????**

**Izzy – meepmeow**

**Rach – hellokitty273**

**Jason – Gemma’s Friend**

**Jasmine**

**Ryan – RyanLanbert098**

**Amanda – Jasmine’s Mum**

**Elliot - Schlopz**

**Maddison – Policewoman**

**Bronwyn – Amy’s Friend**