

# SEASON 6

## THE DREAMKEEPERS



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## Episode 26: SOS



## Scene 1

[The camera slowly fades in from the opening credits to show Maya slowly waking up; she lifts her head up from the pillow and looks in the direction of Kaden's bed. Camera cuts to his bed to show that it hasn't been slept in all night. Camera cuts back to Maya who has now swung her legs over the side of the bed and is now rubbing the eyes to make sure she isn't seeing things]

Maya: (Calls out) Kaden?

(No reply)

(Realisation hits Maya and she quickly jumps out of bed, grabbing her dressing gown as she leaves the somewhat empty room. Camera cuts to show Maya sticking her head into the sports hall, still a mess from the night before, she quickly scans the room before leaving. We next see Maya running into the common room, where Patsy and KC are snuggled up on one of the sofa's, the sudden entrance of Maya causes them both to look up at her)

Maya: (Out of breathe) Have...you....seen Kaden?

Patsy: (Shakes her head) Not since last night, why?

Maya: He's missing and it doesn't look like his bed has been slept in all night

KC: (Raises an eyebrow) He's properly out hanging with Razor and properly made his bed as he left...

(Maya is now the one who raises her eyebrows)

Maya: Which nine year old do you who makes his bed?

Patsy: Good point... (Grins) I mean KC still doesn't make his

Maya: So will you help?

(Both teenagers jump up and leave with Maya. We see screen shots of the three Mallrats searching different parts of the school. We see a shot of Maya standing in the middle of the school field calling out his name but still he doesn't show up. The three Mallrats and other Mallrats who have joined the search have regrouped in the café)

Maya: (Runs a hand through her hair) He's not here...what if something has happened to him?

Cass: (Places a hand on her friends shoulder) You can't think like that... (Turns to Sammy and KC) We need to get everyone together...wake everyone up...let them know it's an emergency!

[The two boys nod before leaving the room. Camera pans in on Maya who is lowering herself onto one of the chairs, resting her head into her hands]

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## Scene 2

[Most of the Mallrats, minus Jack and Ellie are gathered in the school cafeteria.]

[Bray stands up to address the crowd]

Bray: All right. Now that we're all here, we can get started. (Takes a breath) Maya woke up this morning and realized that Kaden is missing. Now did anyone happen to see him at the wedding?

[Bray looks at everyone's faces.]

Salene: I haven't seen him

Cass: Me either.

Ryan: I think it's safe to say that no one has seen him.

Maya: Don't say that!

Axel: Who saw him last?

Sammy: I honestly can't remember.

Tai-san: Neither can I. He seemed to have disappeared a lot recently.  
Maya: That's because no one paid him any attention!  
Darryl: (putting an arm on Maya's shoulders) Hey Maya, take it easy, we'll find him.  
Ryan: I remember seeing him hanging around Razor.  
Lex: Razor?  
Ryan: Yeah. Razor gained Kaden's trust.  
Gel: Razor was also missing from his bed this morning!  
Bray: Right then, Kaden is obviously with Razor somewhere. I suggest we form search parties and start to look for them.  
Lex: Hold on mate. If they're together, they could be fine.  
Ryan: I don't trust Razor  
Axel: I never trusted him.  
Amber: Also, they haven't been in their beds all night.  
Bray: That settles it. We're going to go and look for them.

[At that moment Razor walks through the door]

Gel: RAZOR!  
Ram: Come here (grabs Razor by the collar and sits him down)  
Slade: (bending down to view Razor in the eye) Where is he?  
Razor: Jeeze, what's with the interrogation?  
Slade: Where is he Razor?  
Razor: (pretending innocence) Where's who?  
Lex: Quit playing dumb!  
Maya: Where's Kaden?  
Razor: No idea.  
Axel: This isn't a game Razor  
Razor: And I ain't playing. I haven't seen the kid.  
Bray: Are you sure?  
Razor: Sure, I'm sure.  
Bray: Right then, the search is on.

[Shot remains on Razor as the camera switches to the next scene.]

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### Scene 3

[Camera remains focused on Razor as the meeting continues.]

Amber: Right, we split up in teams.  
Ruby: I agree, that way we'll cover more ground.  
Ryan: Does anyone have a map of the city?  
Lex: Cause we all carry that with us  
Tai-san: Lex, you're not helping.  
Amber: We'll then, Lex and Ryan take the docks and the east side of the city. Ram, Slade, Ruby and May, take the centre. Tai-San, Trudy and Eric can you two take the markets? Sammy and Lottie... (Amber starts to shake violently.)  
May: Amber?  
Amber: I...

[Amber all of a sudden runs from the room.]

Trudy: (trying to draw attention away from Amber) Good idea Amber.  
Bray: What? Is she ok?  
Trudy: She's concerned about the kids. (I'm going to make sure she's ok.)

[Trudy leaves the room and goes to the bathrooms]

Trudy: (concerned) Amber...

[Amber is violently sick.]

Trudy: You're having some of the worst morning sickness I've ever seen.

Amber: I'm the only one you've seen

Trudy: You know what I mean.

[Trudy passes some tissue paper to Amber.]

Trudy: I can't keep covering for you.

Amber: I know. I'm going to tell him, AFTER we find Kaden.

[Trudy gives a reassuring nod to Amber as the scene fades.]

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#### Scene 4

[The Mallrats are at the entrance to the school]

Eric: Everyone ready to head out?

Ruby: Yeah I think everyone is almost ready

[Amber and Trudy walk to the entrance]

Amber: We're ready.

Bray: Amber, are you alright?

Amber: Yes fine. Has anyone told Jack and Ellie?

Ruby: We thought it was best to leave them alone.

Trudy: I guess that sounds alright. I don't think they'd want to be disturbed.

Eric: Well we should head out then.

Amber: Alright you all have your assigned posts let's go and find Kaden

[The Mallrats leave the building. The camera pans and follows the Mallrats as they leave.]

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#### Scene 5

[Camera pans around Maya's and Kaden's bedroom to show Maya sitting on her bed holding a picture of Bray, Ved, Kaden and herself from back when they were travelling together.]

Maya: Oh Kaden...

(Camera slowly pans around to show Cass standing in the doorway; she makes her way into the room and sits herself next to Maya)

Cass: I'm sure we will find him hun!

Maya: (looks up with tears in her eyes) I know it sounds daft but he's like a brother to me and...and...

(Maya can't finish what she is saying as she breaks down in tears clutching the picture to her chest)

Cass: (Tries to blink back her own tears) We will find him....we can't give up hope!

Maya: This...this is...oh god this is my fault I've been distant from him....

Cass: (Pulls her into a hug) You can't do this to yourself

(Maya pulls away from the hug and jumps up, slamming the picture on the bed)

Maya: (Shouting) NO! This isn't right...it's my fault and I'm gonna find him

[Maya storms out of the room camera pans back to Cass who is trying to push herself up from the bed before fading to black]

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## Scene 6

[Jack and Ellie are enjoying their honeymoon together. They are both lying on the bed together.]

Jack: Want to get up?

Ellie: Not yet.

Jack: That's fine with me

Ellie: I like your thinking genius.

Jack: I like your attitude beautiful.

Ellie: I wonder how people are coping without us.

Jack: I'm sure their fine. We'll emerge eventually

[Cass comes to Jack and Ellie's door and knocks]

Cass: Can I come in?

Jack: (adjusting bed covers) Yeah sure.

Cass: (opening the door) I'm sorry to bother you guys but I need to tell you something.

Ellie: Sure, what is it?

Cass: Kaden is missing

Jack: Kaden is missing?

Cass: Yeah

Ellie: Why weren't we told?

Cass: Everyone decided that we didn't want to disturb your honeymoon.

Ellie: I guess that's understandable.

Cass: I'm sorry that I disturbed you, but I just felt that you should know.

Jack: Thanks Cass.

[Cass gets up from the bed and leaves. Jack starts pulling on clothes.]

Ellie: What are you doing?

Jack: Going to help look for Kaden

Ellie: But we're on our honeymoon.

Jack: And a member of our tribe is missing. How would you feel if Alice went missing again?

Ellie: Ok, we'll go look.

Jack: Good (kisses Ellie.) We can come back to our honeymoon later.

[They kiss again as the camera fades to black.]

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## Scene 7

[Camera fades in from black to show Cass sitting in her's and Ryan's room, she is knitting small little botties for the babies, when the camera moves up to show that Ryan is standing by the door. Cass glances up at Ryan, glares at him and attempts to get up.]

Ryan (sighs): Cass...

Cass: What?

Ryan: Look, I'm sorry...

Cass (rolls her eyes): About what?

Ryan: About what I said the other day, it was out of order and I shouldn't have said it...

(Cass manages to stand up and moves away from Ryan as he moves into the room and attempts to put his arms around her)

Cass: NO...

Ryan: Cass?

Cass: Look Ryan, quite frankly, I'm pissed at being this pregnant, and I can't deal with you being a complete jerk. I also can't have you crawling to me when you feel bad... I have myself to think of...

Ryan: But I don't understand...

(Cass sighs and leans against the doorway when she moves past Ryan)

Cass: You know what... I'm just not interested... do you understand that?

(Cass turns to walk out)

Ryan: Cass?

(Cass turns back)

Cass: Look, there's more important things that your conscience in the world at the moment... so therefore I suggest you shove your apology and go and find that missing kid... that's something even you should be able to do so. Oh and do me a favour, don't try and have the last word, it won't do you any good.

[Ryan opens and closes his mouth several times, but judging by the look on Cass's face he keeps his mouth shut, the camera pans back to show Cass walking away from Ryan before the camera fades to black.]

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## Scene 8

[Camera fades in from black to show Slade and Ram walking down a street, the two of them are silent as they stop outside a shabby looking building with the word Bar written on it in graffiti, a bouncer nods in Slade and Ram as they walk into the bar]

Slade: Let me do the talking okay?

Ram (shrugs): Suits me just fine...

(Slade walks up to the bar and beckons over the bar tender)

Slade: You heard anything about a missing kid?

Bar tender (shrugs): I may have... what's it to you?

(Slade turns to Ram and rolls his eyes, before turning back to the bartender and smashing his head against the bar)

Ram: I'd co-operate if I was you... doesn't look like my friend here wants to play...

Slade: So what do you know?

Bar tender: Nothing, I was twisting your leg man...

Slade: Maybe I ought to twist your head off...

(A laugh comes from the punter to the right hand side of Slade)

West: Like you'd ever do that... you goodie two shoes aren't the kind!

Ram: Who the hell are you?

West: Name's West...

Slade: You're with the Krul...

West: And?

Slade: And... nothing, get the hell out of here!

(West laughs as he turns around to face Slade)

West: I think you forgot something, simpleton...

Slade (raises an eyebrow): And what's that?

West: That you're out numbered here...

Ram: Yeah?

West (laughs): Yeah...

(Of the bar full of people, 90% of them stand up and brandish baseball bats, Slade and Ram look at each other, raising eyebrows)

West: You were saying...

Ram: I was saying you're an asshole!

(Slade then raises his fist and smacks West squarely on the jaw)

Slade: Run for it...

[Slade and Ram are then seen running from the bar, being chased by a gang of men before the camera cuts to the next scene.]

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## Scene 9

[The camera moves to the Krul base and into Ebony's room.]

[Ebony is in front of the mirror. She is slowly wiping off all her usual tribal markings.]

[As Ebony stands in front of the mirror, the camera pans to show that there are at least a weeks worth of untouched food in the corner of the room.]

[Tears roll down Ebony's cheeks as she looks at herself. Disgusted at what she sees staring back at her she throws a plate at the mirror. Both the mirror and the plate shatter onto the floor.]

[Ebony makes no attempt to pick up any of the pieces of smashed glass as she throws herself onto the bed and curls up into a tight little ball.]

[The camera moves out of the room through the window and fades to black.]

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## Scene 10

[Camera fades in from black as Alice and Ruby in the kitchen rushing around as the camera pans back]

Ruby: Well this is one way to keep busy...

Alice: I'd much rather be out looking, but with my leg still being sore... I ain't gonna be a lot of use...

Ruby (nods): I guess...

Alice: Well at least this way I can be useful...

(Alice and Ruby laugh amongst themselves for a few moments)

Alice: Pass me the eggs would you?

Ruby: Why?

Alice: Well unless you fancy raw runny eggs, I suggest we scramble or fry them...

Ruby (laughs): That's a real good idea...

Alice: That's what I thought...

(Ruby tosses Alice a couple of eggs)

Alice (yells into the café): Lunch is almost up you guys!

[Camera cuts to the next scene.]

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## Scene 11

[Groups of Mallrats are beginning to make their way back to the school as nightfall is approaching.]

[Lex and Bray return to find Maya and Ruby sitting on the steps to the school.]

Lex: We couldn't find him

Ruby: We haven't had much luck either.

[Maya begins to sob]

Bray: Has anyone else returned yet?

Ruby: Slade, Ram, Sammy and Lottie have all returned but they haven't had any luck

Maya: It's not fair!

Ruby: I know it's not, but I'm sure he's safe, wherever he is

Maya: He's probably cold, tired and hungry and he has no one with him! I don't know what to do.

Bray: Maybe we should head inside to gather everyone together?

Slade OS: No need

[Slade, Ram, Lottie and Sammy all appear at the front of the school]

Ram: We haven't seen any trace of him

Sammy: Lottie and I searched the market place but there was no sign of him.

Lottie: We asked anyone that took the time to listen, but they haven't seen him.

Lex: I know this is unlike me to say, but I don't think he would have done a runner

Maya: I know he wouldn't!

Bray: there is not much more we can do now though

Slade: We're all tired and getting hungry

Bray: And there's always the chance of one of us also going missing.

[Maya starts to sob harder]

Ram: Maybe we should move this inside?

Slade: Yeah, wait for the others to return.

[The group move inside with Ruby holding to an almost hysterical Maya as the camera fades to black.]





Trudy: What happens?

Guardian: It is very simple: you will be asked to name the thing that you most want; and you will answer "Power and Chaos". That is all

Trudy: And supposing I want something else?

Guardian: That is not possible

Trudy: Brady and I are both overdue for our dose of the antidote

Guardian: No!

Trudy: Look: are you serious about wanting to look after the Child of Zoot or what?

Guardian: The antidote is a lie

Trudy: The antidote saves our lives, and if you don't get me some, I'm going to say that's what I want in the ceremony

Guardian: Perhaps you are not fit to be the Mother of the Child

Trudy: What?

Guardian: Perhaps the Child would be better off without you. Now do it.

END FLASHBACK

Eric: I'm here this time... and nothing, nothing is going to happen to Brady... I promise you...

Trudy: Okay...

Eric: You do believe me, don't you?

(Trudy nods, as the camera cuts to another flashback, when another man said something similar)

FLASHBACK to the Chosen on the beach

Trudy: Bray - don't forget me, I'll come back, I promise. Bray - I'll always love you.

END FLASHBACK

(Camera cuts to the next scene)

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## Scene 14

[Camera cuts to the scene, as Ryan and Lex pull on their coats; the camera shows them exiting the school.]

Ryan: This is the worse day ever...

Lex: Tell me about it... goddamn kids...

Ryan: Watch your mouth...

Lex: Sorry mate, but you must understand where I'm coming from...

Ryan (narrows his eyes): You're treading on dangerous ground Lex...

(Lex sighs and pulls away from Ryan as he picks up the pace and mumbles under his breath. The larger man hears Lex and storms up towards him)

Ryan: What did you say?

Lex (sighs): I said we might never find him!

Ryan: I told you not to go there!

Lex: Yeah... well I did, so deal with it!

(Lex turns to walk away, but Ryan grabs him and yanks his hair back)

Lex (yells): Hey, what's the big idea?

Ryan: You... need to learn to watch your mouth!

Lex: ...and you need to learn to not be so sensitive. If you were anyone else but my best mate, I wouldn't let you get away with that!

(Ryan glares at Lex as he ignores the warning and pushes Lex up against a wall)

Ryan: Oh, I'm so scared of you Lex... you and your big mouth... you need to watch what you say! How would you feel if that kid was yours huh? If that was your baby missing?

Lex: Ry... I...

(Ryan shakes his head and lets Lex go and then turns to walk away trying to hide his tears. Lex walks up to him and puts a hand on his shoulder)

Lex: Why didn't you tell me!

Ryan (through gritted teeth): I tried to!

Lex: Yeah I guess I have a really thick skull and sometimes things don't go through!

Ryan (laughs): You're telling me!

Lex: Huh?

Ryan (shakes his head): Don't worry... let's just find Kaden? Huh?

Lex: Sure mate...

[Lex smiles weakly at Ryan before the two men carry on their journey. The camera then cuts to the next scene.]

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## Scene 15

Amber and Trudy are returning to the mall after searching for hours. Amber is bent at the middle and Trudy is holding her up.]

Amber: We should keep moving

Trudy: YOU are in no condition to search. I can't believe that you would even want to continue on

Amber: I just feel helpless

Trudy: Yeah me too

Amber: No not, like that. Yeah I feel helpless that I can't do anything to find him, but I feel even more helpless that I can't search for him properly

Trudy: You're sick. You can't help that

Amber: I wish I could.

Trudy: I just wish there were doctors

Amber: If Dal were here, he would know what to do

Trudy: I know... I wish he were still here too.

Amber: It's times like these that I really miss him.

[A new bout of pain sweeps over Amber as she doubles over.]

Trudy: Right that's it! We're heading back right now!

[Amber nods her head in agreement. Smiles at Trudy and put a bit more pace behind their walk as they head towards the school. The camera follows them for a bit before fading to black.]

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## Scene 16

[Camera pans around the main market street of the street; at different stalls, we can see members of the Mallrats questioning stall owners and other members of different tribes. Camera pans out to show Sammy leaning against a lamppost handing out leaflets with Kaden's picture on it, put its plan to see that Sammy isn't paying attention to the task at hand. The camera pans back to show that Sammy is watching Lottie talk to a couple of boys from the Modes tribe.]

[Scouting for girls, She's so Lovely plays throughout this scene]

*I love the way she feels her clothes  
I love those freckles on her nose  
I love the way she plays it cool  
I think that she is beautiful*

[Lottie looks up and gives Sammy a small smile, which Sammy returns. She brushes a curl of her hair back behind her ear before carrying on talking to the boys]

*She's so lovely  
She's so lovely  
She's so lovely  
She's so lovely*

(Lottie waves goodbye to the boys and walks towards Sammy)

Lottie: Alright Sammy?

Sammy: (Nods) I think... \*Changes his mind) Yea, I'm good!

*She's so lovely*

[Camera cuts to black]

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## Scene 17

[The Camera slowly fades in from black to show that night is starting to fall over the city. The camera pans around the school to show Maya standing behind her bedroom window looking out into the darkness. Maya pulls the hood of her jacket up before turning away from the window. Camera moves down to show Maya sneaking out from the front door of the school, we see her get half way down the road before someone steps out from behind her]

Slade: Maya?

(Maya turns to give Slade a stern look before she breaks into a run, but it doesn't take Slade long to catch up to her and pin her against a wall)

Maya: (Crying) Get of me Slade!

(Slade doesn't reply but simply holds her against the wall)

Maya: I gotta find him...I gotta save him!

(Still Slade doesn't say anything, which causes Maya to break down into his arms)

Slade: (Smooths her) It will be ok Maya...we will find him

Maya: (Looks up) You promise Slade

(Slade nods and holds Maya close to him.)

Slade: Get some sleep and then in the morning everything will seem better

Maya: (shakes her head) But he's just a kid...

Slade: (Nods) Yea...but he's a smart kid

Maya: (Smiles) yea he is!

(The two friends stand in silence for a couple of moments with Slade just slowly running his hands through Maya's hair. Maya slowly looks up and gives Slade a smile. She reaches out and runs her hand down his face before moving closer and presses her lips against Slade's but Slade quickly pushes her away)

Slade: (Shocked) Maya!

Maya: OH my god...

Slade: Look your upset, I understand that...but us...me and you it's never going to happen

Maya: (With tears in her eyes) I'm so sorry Slade...I didn't...god I feel so stupid

Slade: (Shakes his head) Don't be...

[Maya turns on her heels and runs back into the school leaving Slade on his own. Camera pans around before fading to black]

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## Scene 18

[Camera fades in from black to show Darryl and Axel walking along a dark street, it's clear that they have had no luck in finding Kaden. Axel gives Darryl a small smile but the other guy doesn't return it so he moves closer and drapes an arm around Darryl's shoulders]

Axel: You Ok Darryl?

Darryl: (Shrugs) NO not really

Axel: (Pulls him in closer) We will find him

Darryl: (Looks away) This is going to sound really bad, but that's not what's up!

Axel: (Confused) What is then?

Darryl: (Looks Axel in the eyes) Us!

(Axel stops and pulls away from Darryl)

Axel: OK I know things haven't been great between us since the whole Jay thing but still...

Darryl: That's not just it...

Axel: Then explain

(Darryl turns away and goes to sit on a bench and Axel soon follows but leaves a large gap between them)

Darryl: I'm not sure how...

Axel: Maybe it's time for me to say sorry?

Darryl: (looks up) You don't have to, I've forgotten all about it

(Axel closes the gap between them and gently touches Darryl's cheek)

Axel: (Whispers) I'm sorry! I'm sorry for trying to out you when you wasn't ready! I'm sorry for...

(Axel isn't able to finish what he is saying as Darryl starts kissing him. The couple sit on the bench kissing for a couple of seconds before Darryl pulls away and stands up, holding out his hand for Axel)

Darryl: (Smirks) We had better get back to the school!

Axel: (Takes his hand) and us?

Darryl: (Smiles) Are fine!

Axel: (Frowns) You sure?

Darryl: Promise

[Camera pans out as the two boys head back to the school]

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## Scene 19

[Camera cuts to the Krul base to show West walking down an empty corridor, he finds himself outside's Conrad's office and knocks on the door. Conrad's deep voice echo's through the door and West let's himself into the office. Camera pans around the office, Conrad is leaning over his desk reading some reports while two of his guards flank him on either side. Conrad looks up from his paper work and frowns at West]

Conrad: What is it this time West?

West: (Grins as he shuts the door behind himself) I was just wondering if you had heard of anything about one of the Mallrat kids going missing.

Conrad: (Bites his bottom lip) Oh that is a shame isn't it boys

(The two guards share a knowing smile, which causes West to frown)

West: It was you wasn't it?

Conrad: (smirks) Now that would be telling...I think you should take a seat West as I have one final test for you to prove your loyalty to us!

[Camera pans around as West takes a seat before fading to black]

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## Scene 20

[Camera fades in from black to show Cloe walking back into the school on her own; she runs a hand through her hair before dropping into the nearest chair. Maya steps out from the cafe and stares at Cloe]

Cloe: (Through gritted teeth) I'm so sorry Maya

Maya: Not a single thing?

Cloe: (With tears in her eyes) I checked all the places you said and not a single thing!

Maya: He's gone forever isn't he?

Cloe: (Pushes herself up) I'm sorry, I tried my best

(Maya pulls the younger girl into a hug and for the first time finds herself comforting someone else for a change)

Maya: It's not your fault

Cloe: I still feel guilty...god if only I didn't drink so much last night

Maya: (shakes her head) Everyone drunk too much last night...if anyone should feel guilty it's me for not making sure he was in bed before I was! How thick am I?

Cloe: (Tightens the embrace) Let's just hope the others had some better luck!

[Maya nods as the camera fades to black]

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## Scene 21

[Jack and Ellie are moving their way through the streets still looking for Kaden. Jack is leading, fully into the search for Kaden. Ellie only walks half-heartedly behind him.]

Jack: KADEN! KADEN? WHERE ARE YOU?

Ellie: Jack keep it down

Jack: Why?

Ellie: We don't want everyone to hear us

Jack: I thought that was the idea?

Ellie: Well not everyone needs to know our business

Jack: Ok Ellie, what's really going on?

Ellie: What do you mean?

Jack: You haven't properly searched. All you do is tread around with your head looking at your feet. It's like you don't care.

Ellie: I do care

Jack: certainly doesn't seem like it

Ellie: I do

Jack: (sarcastically) Alright Ellie, what ever you say.

[They walk on in silence. Ellie still walks with her head focused on her shoes while Jack looks behind sheets of steel.]

Jack: You're being ridiculous

Ellie: I am NOT!

Jack: Yes you are!

Ellie: (angry) Fine jack, FINE! You want to know what's wrong? Well I'll tell you what's wrong. We're missing our honeymoon for a kid.

Jack: I can't believe you just said that.

Ellie: Well you wanted to know what was wrong and so there I told you.

Jack: I can't believe how selfish you're being

Ellie: Selfish?

Jack: Ellie, there is a missing kid. Someone that is dependent on our tribe. He needs us just as we need each other, but he is what comes first. How would you feel if it was a younger sister or brother missing? This is the exact same thing. We are all brothers and sisters to each other in the tribe. Just remember that next time you go on your high horse.

[Jack storms off, leaving a stunned Ellie behind.]

[A few minutes pass before Ellie comes running up to Jack and leans a head on his shoulder.]

Ellie: I'm sorry

Jack: Me too.

[Both smile at each other.]

Ellie: KADEN!

Jack: that's better

Ellie: I thought you'd agree

[They continue to search as the scene fades to black.]

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## Scene 22

[Camera fades in to show Maya sitting in the café, she is wringing her hands tightly as Cass sits with her, only Amber, Alice and Trudy are at the mall, they can be heard looking after the children in the adjoining room. As Cass looks at Maya awkwardly, unsure what to say, the sound of heavy footsteps is heard down the corridor.]

(Maya jumps up as she rushes to see who it is; she spies Jack and Ellie and rushes towards them)

Maya: Any news?

(Jack shakes his head)

Jack: Nothing... I'm sorry Maya; we'll try again tomorrow okay...

Ellie: Try not to worry...

(Maya nods silently and says nothing; before she can, do anything Ryan and Lex walk through the door. Cass looks at him awkwardly before Maya jumps in)

Maya: Anything?

Lex (shakes his head): We got nothing...

(Ryan moves to hug Maya, but she pushes him away)

Maya: No... I...

(Maya starts to cry, yet more people come in, this time Lottie and Sammy)

Sammy: We searched everywhere...

Maya (yells): NO!

Lottie: I'm sorry Maya... there's no sign of him, no sign of Kaden anywhere!

(The camera becomes hazy as it focuses on Maya and she collapses into a heap on the floor)

Cass: Ohmigod... Maya!

(Cass rushes to Maya's side, and tries to revive her friend)

Cass (softly): Maya, honey, can you hear me?

[The mallrats crowd around as Maya stares listlessly at Cass and appears catatonic, the camera then cuts to the next scene.]

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### Scene 23

[Camera fades in to show a figure walking down the alleyway, as the camera moves up closer to the figure, a crack is heard and the figure turns around, it is at that point that we see that it is May. May pulls her coat tighter around her as she carries on down the alley. Another crack is heard and May turns around again.]

May: Who's there? I know there's someone there...

(SILENCE)

May: I'm not in the mood for playing games... come out and show yourself

(SILENCE)

(May sighs and turns around to carry on walking. The camera then moves to behind May, as a figure is seen in the shadows, it moves quickly towards May, who turns around, just as the figure raises a baseball bat and catches May's head. She screams and falls down, before the camera fades to black.)

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### Scene 24

[Camera cuts in, to show many of the mallrats sitting in the café, the last ones to come back are Slade and Ram, they enter as there are hushed voices talking.]

Slade: Did we miss something?

Bray: Maya... she's um, she's gone catatonic, won't say anything... nothing, I've never seen anything like it...

Ram: I take it that means no one had any luck with the kid?

Bray (shakes his head): Not one sighting...zilch!

Slade: That sucks, it really does... we got nothing either!

(Slade sighs sadly and goes to the kitchen, as Ram settles back down with the rest of the group)

Ram: So, everyone... I mean every group had no luck at all?

Lottie: None Ram...

Ram: Damn... so I take it Slade and me are the last back?

Ruby: Yeah...

Trudy: No... May, she's not back!

(Ruby hears her lover's name mentioned and enters into the conversation)

Ruby: Wasn't she with you Bray?

Bray (shakes his head): No, I thought she was with Lottie!

Lottie: We thought she was with you Bray...

Trudy: Oh no...

Ruby: Oh no what?

Trudy: May... is missing!

Ruby: Oh god, who's going to tell Salene?

Trudy (sighs): I will...

(Trudy goes into the kitchen where Salene is and sighs)

Salene: Coffee?

Trudy (shakes her head): No thanks...

Salene: Is everyone back now?

Trudy: No Sal...

(Trudy looks down at the ground)

Salene: What?

Trudy: What do you mean?

Salene: Why do you look so suspicious? What's going on?

Trudy: Maybe you should take a seat!

Salene: Maybe you should just tell me!

Trudy (takes a deep breath): May hasn't come back... we think, we think she's missing Sal...

Salene (yells): MISSING?! NO!

(Salene drops the coffee pot and runs into the café, she sees the looks people are giving her and when she can't see May, the camera starts to spin, as Salene gets dizzy)

Salene (weakly): May?

[Salene collapses to the floor as a collective gasp comes from the Mallrats, Trudy, and Tai-san jump into help. The camera then cuts to black.]

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## Scene 25

[Most of the Mall Rats are sitting in the school common room, Tai-san, Trudy and Eric return to the rest of them]

Bray: How's Salene?

Trudy: Okay, upset and a mess...

Bray: Understandable

(Lex is sitting in a corner with Alice talking about the Militia's training, as the rest of the Mallrats keep quiet and mill over what has happened. Suddenly out of know where an ear-spitting scream is heard)



(Scene cuts back to Amber in the bathroom with Eric, Trudy and Tai-san.)

Trudy: Ok Amber, I need you to breath

(Amber lets out a ragged breath)

Tai-san: She needs to lie down.

(Eric gently lies Amber down onto the cold floor)

Tai-san: I don't think there's much to be done.

Trudy: Don't say that Tai-san! The baby will be fine.

Amber: (weakly) No! not my baby! Please!

Eric: (soothingly) Shhh. It's ok Amber; it's going to be alright.

(Trudy mops Amber's face with a damp towel)

Trudy: All we can do is pray.

[Many hours have passed. Not many tribe members are able to get some sleep aware of Amber's pain, but unaware of the reason behind it. Bray has fallen asleep sitting up at the table with exhaustion. Lex watches over him as the camera pans back to Amber in pain before fading to black.]

THE END CREDITS

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