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ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

16. 1. EXT. OUTSIDE- NIGHT

An old lady is dragging a bag (wide shot). Music is playing in the background. She starts digging a hole and then places the bag in it and covers it back up. (No Face Reveal)

CUT TO:

17. 2. INT. KITCHEN- DAY

Roopa is in a happy mood and she is preparing breakfast. She is making Dosa with chutney.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

Pinky come fast the breakfast is ready.

Roopa goes back to making Dosa while listening to her music. In the background we see that Rishita walks in after taking a shower and is yelling about something (which we can't hear). Roopa being unaware of what has happened she continues to vibe with the music. Roopa gets the dosas in a plate and chutney in a small vessel. Roopa sits down and puts three dosas on the Rishita's plate and a lot of chutney for her.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

Pinky! Why did you wear this red t-shirt today ..the pink looks so good on you.. Why dont you quickly change after breakfast?

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

(sarcastically)

Why don't you go ahead and paint me pink?

Roopa takes just one dosa and takes a dab of chutney (while this is happening we keep cutting back to a wide in different angles where the music isn't played but yet the silence is deafening.) The Roopa takes a bite of the dosa with the chutney and she realizes it's very spicy so takes the jug on the table and pours a glass of water for Rishita and takes the glass and slowly pours it on the chutney and mixes it. Roopa smiles at Rishitha and she takes the jug and as she is pouring herself a glass of water, Rishitha takes the glass and smashes it to the floor. The music stops.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

Pinky! what is wrong with you!?

Rishita rolls her eyes.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

(Whisper)

Well seems like now things are bothering you.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 what?? Speak Louder Pinky I can't
 hear you!

RISHITA stops eating.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 Speak louder? Well I have been
 asking you the same thing from
 yesterday and you wh-

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 Oh! not this again.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 What do you mean "not this again"?

RISHITA gets up (Power Dynamics)

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 You literally went behind my
 back...called my friends to cancel
 my plan with them. And now you
 don't even have the spine to talk
 to me about it!

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 What is there to talk? I was just
 looking out for you.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 don't do this.. don't do that.
 don't go here. don't go there.
 speak to her. don't speak to him.
 "Looking out for me" it
 seems...

RISHITA STARTS WALKING

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 You aren't looking out for me.
 You're looking at me as if I'm you.

Rishita takes a beat

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 That is only called parenting,
 beta.

Roopa signals Rishita to be quite. looks at the wall near the
 main door.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 We don't want the neighbour knowing
 that I am an amazing grandmother
 na...

Roopa chuckles.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
are you kidding me right now!

Roopa stays quiet

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
Yes, that's all that matters right?

Rishita starts speaking like Roopa

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
(imitates)
What is it that you used to say?
"Bite the bullet but with a smile
please."

Roopa smiles

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
I can't believe that I broke a
fucking glass but you're still
unbothered!

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
Mind your language PINKY!

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
(sarcastically whispers)
Children always end up picking
their mother's bad traits.

Roopa smiles

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
Wowww! Do you even know
what your beloved son does whe-

DOORBELL RINGS , The iron/laundry guy is at the door, Roopa
signals Rishita to tone down. Roopa walks towards that door
talks to the guy in the most sweetest tone like she was not
having a fight with Rishita ..

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
Array venkatesh send your wife
later. I'll send the pickles with
her.

IRON GUY
Why madam you didn't-

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
You simply send your wife. You
better share it with the kids huh?

Roopa chuckles

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
Ok chalo, write this in the

account.

IRON GUY

Ok ma'aam Thank you again.

Roopa closes the door. Keeps the clothes on the sofa and walks back to her chair. Continous to eat as she is smiling.

Rishita is thrilled that Roopa is not affected by any of her words everything is back to normal for her. Rishita followes eyesight till Roopa comes back, sits and takes a bite of the dosa.

Rishita smiles

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

looks like i should break another glass with my head this time.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

Stop it pinky that's enough.

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

THAT'S NOT MY NAME! NOBODY CALLS ME THAT ... your name is PINKY!

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

ya but it suits your personality pinky beta...

RISHITHA

Suits my personality??

Rishitha chuckles sarcastically

RISHITHA

Yeah yeah like you I am a pretentious painter who can never finish her paintings. i'll cover all my flaws with these bright coulored paints. oh and i'm also, this 17 year old carefree girl ... i do all the drugs in the world.. i have dozens of boyfreinds lined up for me.. yes I GUESS YOURE RIGHT that is my actual personality thank you for ..

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

"Rishitha" that's enough!

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

Is this enough for you? Are you finally able to properly hear me?

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER

Tell me what really happened

between you and dad ...

We see Roopa through the glass table and then looks back at her she is tightening her grip

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 why haven't I seen you both
 together ever.. he is so cold..
 just like you.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 enough .. enough (whispers)

RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 you know what just leave that ..
 just answer this one question for
 me. why did dad decide to travel
 for work when he could have
 just stayed here with all of us and
 continued the same job and why is
 my mother going behind him hoping
 that he wouldn't leave her?

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
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RISHITHA - GRANDDAUGHTER
 You know what... You are... the
 root reason for... every single
 problem in MY LIFE!

Rishita's EYES GETS DRENCHED AND A TEAR ROLLS DOWN HER CHEEK

Roopa Stands up (Power dynamics)... bangs her hands to the table the plates stands up with the force.. Roopaa is looking at Rishitha right into her eyes. The bang on the table causes a spoon to fall which the camera follows until the spoon is settled.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER
 I once stood where you stand now,
 brimming with hope in my eyes.
 Although my father and I had our
 differences, what kept me buoyant
 was the presence of that golden
 boy. Together, we embraced the
 starlit nights and the verdant
 fields on bike rides. It was
 idyllic... until reality hit me
 like a thunderbolt. His
 overwhelming love unsettled me,
 prompting me to flee—to escape it
 all. I buried myself in busyness,
 convincing myself I was moving
 forward, yet in truth, I was merely
 burying my emotions temporarily.

CUT TO

18. 3. EXT. OUTSIDE- EVENING

There is an inter cuts which keeps happening to the scene where Rishitha is digging the same place as the first scene to see Roopa sitting in the hole, sleeping and hugging the bag

Yes, I acknowledge that my actions have impacted situations, relationships, and people around me, just as you've mentioned-I am indeed at the heart of it all. But in my heart, I know that the core of my turmoil lies with that boy. It seems I haven't truly let go... The truth is, time is slipping away, and I must seek closure, beginning with him.

As Roopa is walking around the room as she is telling the monolougue she steps on the glass where the glass of the water was broken and she stands on as the blood bleeds from her legs.

ROOPA - GRANDMOTHER

Yet, until I uncover the answers I seek, I will wear the happy personality, radiate it with colors because for in this world, I can be crying inside... but no one bothers to ask twice if you're just... seen smiling...

Rishitha runs to hug Roopa and help her.

Cut to Black

The end