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Kevin, Camila

**BENNY**

Boss, how's it going?

**USNAVI**

*El jefe!*

| [*The boss!*]

**VANESSA**

What's up, Mr. Rosario?

**ABUELA CLAUDIA**

*Mira pa'lla.* Who's that handsome man?

| [*Look over there.*]

Start

**KEVIN**

(*Kisses ABUELA CLAUDIA.*)

It's my beautiful *princesa*.

**NINA**

Hey, dad...

**KEVIN**

(*To NINA.*)

Excuse me. You're the princess, Claudia is the queen.

**CAMILA**

And what does that make me?

**KEVIN**

The dictator.

(*They kiss.*)

**CAMILA**

Damn straight! One day I'll open my Restaurante Boricua. Until then, you're all my guinea pigs! Serve yourselves, plates are in the kitchen!

**KEVIN**

Listen up everyone. *Atención!*

**CAMILA**

Let's serve first, the food is gonna get cold.

**KEVIN**

Cami, the *pernil* can wait five minutes. | [*ham*]

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*(He clears his throat.)*

Twenty seven years ago in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, I threw down my shovel, hitched a ride into town, and bought two plane tickets to *Nuevayork*. I showed up at Camila's house with a suitcase and said *vamos*.

**CAMILA**

That whole plane ride I was trying not to cry, *verdad?* | [*truth?*]

**KEVIN**

That whole plane ride you were drinking Bacardi.

**CAMILA**

*Sin verguenza!* | [*No shame!*]

**KEVIN**

We were Nina's age.

*(To NINA.)*

And now look at you. You make me proud to be a Rosario. So today I threw down my shovel again. I hitched a ride into town. I took another leap of faith. Nina, I sold the business to pay for your tuition.

**NINA**

What?

**KEVIN**

I sold Rosario's. You're going back to Stanford.

**CAMILA**

Kevin, this had better be a joke.

**KEVIN**

Uptown Investment takes over in two weeks.

**CAMILA**

Uptown? *Ay dios mio*, they offered us nothing! | [*Oh my god*]

**KEVIN**

It was enough, *mi vida*. | [*my life*]

**NINA**

Wait. Dad, I'll find a job. I can take night classes!

**KEVIN**

What, so you end up just another girl stuck in *el barrio*?

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**VANESSA**

Hey! Why you gotta look at me when you say that?

**BENNY**

Yo, did I just lose my job?

**CAMILA**

Of course you didn't.

*(To KEVIN.)*

I do the payroll, the banking, your chaotic papers. We worked twenty years to build this company. I worked!

**KEVIN**

For what, Cami? Twenty years for what?

**NINA**

What about your employees?

**BENNY**

You can't just kick us to the curb.

**USNAVI**

Your drivers are half my customers.

**KEVIN**

I'm not a welfare office! Family comes first, above everything.

**BENNY**

The day you hired me you said I was family.

**KEVIN**

That's business. This is my daughter.

**CAMILA**

You are all my family, and you have my word: we are not selling Rosario's.

**KEVIN**

I'm making the damn deal.

**CAMILA**

This is our business!

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**KEVIN**

It was in my name!

**CAMILA**

Dinner is over.

*(She exits.)*~~STOP~~**NINA**

Mom!

**VANESSA**

Excuse me. I'm not good enough to sit with the bourgeoisie.

*(VANESSA exits.)***ABUELA CLAUDIA***Con permiso.*| [*Excuse me. (Lit: with permission)*]**USNAVI***Vente, Abuela.*| [*Come on*]*(USNAVI and ABUELA CLAUDIA exit.)***NINA***(To BENNY.)*

Benny, I'll fix this, I promise—

**KEVIN**

Nina, stay away from him!

**BENNY***(To KEVIN)*

I'll get out of your way.

*(He exits.)**(NINA and KEVIN are alone.)***NINA**

You know I will never touch that money.

**KEVIN**

So help me god, you are flying back to California.