# There is always someone there

INT - dark room

A young teenage girl called Rebecca is introducing herself to the audience

<u>Rebecca</u>

(quietly talking)

Hi there I am Rebecca and I have got the perfect life. Or so it seems to you. Wonderful parents, a good younger brother, friends that I can chat around with and teachers that help and support me. But honestly If you were to believe that then trust me you don't know my real story. My dad passed away because of cancer.

(starting to talk in disgust)

My mum is a whiny b\*\*\*\* and a filthy cheater who decided to hook up with her boss which led to my a\*\*h\*\*\*s brother Ethan getting born. (back to quietly talking) Ethan is a f\*\*\*\*d up b\*\*\*\* in the head. I am starting to think mum loves him more than me.

When it comes to friends I don't have any for there are lots of a\*\*h\*\*\*s that bully me. And my teachers are a pair of annoying irritating d\*\*\*heads.

(talking more confidently)

I am telling you my story not because I want you to care or feel sorry for me but because no matter how much you get hit in life there is always a shining light of hope.

## Cut to - Rebecca's bedroom

Rebecca's mum is trying to wake up Rebecca.

#### Rebecca's mum

Come on now Rebecca wake up now it's time for school come on now Rebecca.

Cut to - Rebecca's school

Whilst Rebecca is walking to her tech lesson the camera will shift towards people giving her dirty looks and whispering comments about her.

Cut to - Rebecca's tech classroom

In Rebecca's tech classroom her teacher Miss Heliwell is welcoming the students.

Miss Helliwell

(talking confidently)

Right so welcome back class as you know you were supposed to send me your work on Gmail on what artist has inspired you to come up with your product so please put your hands up if you have done the work. Everyone puts their hands up apart from Rebecca who tries to put her head down in embarrassment.

Miss Heliwell looks at Rebecca.

# Miss Helliwell

(talking in a disappointed manner)

I take it you haven't done the work whatsoever.

# <u>Rebecca</u>

I tried to do my work but my laptop wasn't working.

# Miss Helliwell

(talking in a frustrated manner)

Absolutely not good enough. You have got resources that you could use but you choose not to use like computers at the library. I have got students that borrow laptops off of me and I can't see why you shouldn't if your laptop isn't working.

You know what everyone can go with Paul to practice on the laser cutter whilst I have to watch you complete the work.

I am going to have a serious word with you after the lesson has finished because I feel that you expect me to spoon feed you information for it's as if you're almost like a baby. Now because Miss Spilsbury has had to borrow my laptops you may do your work on some paper.

We see Rebecca doing her work. Rebecca

(Talking offscreen)

I am inspired by the work of Frida Khalo because her work is beautiful and I like how she uses colors and her work looks very pretty.

<u>Rebecca</u>

Miss I have done my work

Miss Helliwell

Okay let's see what you have written

Rebecca show's Miss Heliwell her work

Miss Helliwell

Is that the best that you can do

<u>Rebecca</u>

Yes

Miss Helliwell

Well if that is the case then we are going to have a serious chat about this.

Miss Heliwell sits near the same table that Rebecca is sitting near to.

## Miss Helliwell

What do you want me to do?

What can I do to help?

## <u>Rebecca</u>

Nothing

#### Miss Helliwell

So why first of all have you not contributed to finishing your homework and not putting in the effort with the work that I give you.

Because trust me whilst the other students do something fun you will just have to catch up on some work.

Miss Heliwell shows Rebecca her book

## Miss Helliwell

I mean really look at this hell my little son Theo could write more than this.

The reason why I am personally frustrated with you is because firstly with the homework situation you could have just finished your homework and even if your laptop wasn't working just work on a computer in the library or borrow a laptop off of me. There is no point in making excuses.

And secondly I have loads of students that contribute to my lessons more than you for the work they have done is of excellent quality. I mean you are probably the only student that I have got a problem with.

I feel that you expect me to spoon feed you like a baby and I am honestly sick of it.

If this keeps on going then trust me you won't be doing tech anymore.

Do you understand me?

<u>Rebecca</u>

Yes

Miss Helliwell

Well you may leave my classroom.

Rebecca encounters a helpful member of staff called Mr Long

<u>Mr Long</u>

(talking in a cheerful mood)

How are you doing Rebecca

<u>Rebecca</u>

I'm good

<u>Mr Long</u>

Well glad to hear that

Cut to Rebecca's home

Rebecca is back at home on her phone but is disturbed by her little brother Ethan who has learning difficulties who pulls Rebecca's hair. Rebecca in retaliation hits Ethan. Eventually Rebecca's mum intervenes in the situation.

Rebecca's mum

(serious tone)

Right what has just happened

<u>Ethan</u>

Rebecca hit me

Rebecca's mum

you have got to be kidding me Rebecca you know he is your little brother

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

But mum he pulled my hair

# Rebecca's mum

He's probably just trying to play with you. I mean you do know he doesn't mean anything by it.

You shouldn't lay your hands on him.

## <u>Rebecca</u>

You know what screw this.

Rebecca goes to her room.

Cut to the library

We see Rebecca getting some books from the library. As she is about to walk to give the books to the librarian one of her bullies purposely bumps into her which leads to her dropping the books and having to pick them up again.

Cut to Rebecca's tech classroom

Rebecca is trying her best to do her tech work but one of the students throws a paper ball behind her head.

## <u>Rebecca</u>

**Miss Helliwell** 

Miss Helliwell

Yes Rebecca

<u>Rebecca</u>

Someone has thrown a paper ball at me

Rebecca shows Miss Heliwell the paper ball that was thrown at her.

## Miss Helliwell

It's not like getting stabbed or anything besides you need a lot of catching up with your work.

Cut to Rebecca's home

Rebecca who is on her phone is interrupted by Ethan

#### <u>Ethan</u>

So have you got a boyfriend

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Have you got a girlfriend

#### <u>Ethan</u>

Well no but I bet no one would date you because your so ugly

## <u>Rebecca</u>

Come on now Ethan just do something else and stop bothering me.

## <u>Ethan</u>

Well thought I might let you know that you're probably a gold digger

## <u>Rebecca</u>

And you are a fat dumb disabled c\*\*t

Ethan shouts for his mum

#### <u>Ethan</u>

Muuuuum Rebecca swore at me

Rebecca's mum

Ethan what has happened

<u>Ethan</u>

Rebecca called me a disabled c\*\*t

## Rebecca's mum

I hear any of that filthy language young lady and I will take that phone off of you.

Do you understand me?

Rebecca

But mum

Rebeca's mum

No buťs

Rebecca goes to her room where she goes on a laptop

Cut to - Rebecca's school

Parents evening is being held at Rebecca's school. There will be a scene where Rebecca and her mum meet Miss Heliwell.

Miss Helliwell

Hi there how are you please take a seat

Rebbeca's mum and Miss Heliwell shake hands and sit down to talk.

Rebecca's mum

Well let's just say I have had better days.

You must be Miss Heliwell, Rebeeca's tech teacher, I take it.

## Miss Helliwell

## Oh yes I am

## Rebecca's mum

So what is the news that you would like to share with me on how Rebecca is doing in her tech lessons for if I could guess there is no good news after chatting with her teachers.

## Miss Helliwell

I am sorry to hear that you haven't been getting any good news from Rebecca's teacher's but to be honest the news I am going to share with you isn't going to make your day.

Rebecca is someone that I would describe as being lazy as in she doesn't do any homework or even if there is work that I set for her in the classroom she does less work. Now my students work aside from Rebecca's I would describe as being high quality work but her work whatsoever is not high quality. I have raised my concerns with Rebecca but I don't think she is getting it. I have tried my best with her but I feel like she expects me to do the work for her. I am terribly sorry if you find this upsetting.

# Rebecca's mum

Don't be sorry whatsoever for you are just doing your job. To be honest I am disappointed with Rebeeca for I feel like she isn't taking school life seriously and to be honest I just find it hard to believe that I have raised my Daughter to work hard for what she gets and yet all the other teachers not just you have made a similar report about her. I feel that because recently my husband passed away because of cancer she after that has changed.

## Miss Helliwell

I am so sorry to hear that

## Rebecca's mum

It's okay, it's just hard being a single parent to two kids.

## Miss Helliwell

Well I do wish you the best and trust me I know how hard it can be to be a mother of even just one son for trust me my little Theo always wants me to play with him but unfortunately I am unable to sometimes because I am too busy marking their work.

#### Rebecca's mum

Oh bless you honestly you shouldn't tire yourself out.

## Miss Helliwell

Oh it's okay me and my husband try to take him out to a trampoline park just so that he can move about.

But anyway I do wish you the best and hopefully you won't tire yourself out as well.

Cut to Rebecca's home

#### Rebecca's mum

Well that wasn't a good experience on my part and I think you could agree as well.

Ethan scares Rebeeca which leads to Rebeeca slapping Ethan in his face resulting in Ethan crying.

Rebecca's mum

O come on Rebbeca you have got to be kidding me first that god awful meeting and now you making Ethan cry!

What the Hell is wrong with you!

#### Rebecca

Well he scared me so I accidentally hit him.

## Rebecca's mum

I don't care if you are scared or not, you don't ever lay a hand on him!

## <u>Rebecca</u>

(talking in a frustrated tone)

And you should quit acting that Ethan is Mr too goody two shoes.

## Rebecca's mum

And you shouldn't give me advice on my parenting.

## <u>Rebecca</u>

And you should stop thinking that I'm the person that makes you and Ethan's life a living hell. I mean hell you've changed a lot after dad passed away.

#### Rebecca's mum

What are you on about?

#### Rebbeca

Like you would care.

## Rebeeca's mum

I have fought for this family and yet you are hitting Ethan. I mean you know he has got learning difficulties. I mean does ignoring him make life any easier!

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Well I think you shouldn't consider Ethan your little pretty boy. I mean Have you seen what he does to me?

#### Rebecca's mum

Ethan wouldn't hurt a fly plus if it does seem as if he is annoying you then he's probably joking.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Well, do you consider calling someone a gold digger or scaring them a joke?

#### Rebeeca's mum

Look maybe he might get a bit silly but the doctors have told me that he just can't help it.

#### Rebecca

Well maybe you should be the one to help him know what is right and what is wrong.

## Rebecca's mum

In which I have but you have tormented him.

## <u>Rebecca</u>

So I am the big bad wolf then huh

Rebeeca's mum

More likely so

<u>Rebecca</u>

Oh really huh.

Well I have got a question for you.

And that is just why?

Why did you hook up with your boss who fired you after he found out that he had a child with you?

Why did you betray dad's trust?

I swear I saw you break down and cry in front of dad after taking your pregnancy test. Telling him how sorry you were and that it was just a few beers here and there.

Rebecca's mum

Where did you learn that from, young lady?

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Oh I heard everything when you were crying. Dad being so forgiving he could have bailed out if he wanted to but instead he wanted to raise Ethan like one of his own. I am glad he didn't see what our life is like now without him.

#### Rebecca's mum

So you are going to say that I shouldn't have had Ethan. Regardless of what happened he is welcome to be a part of this family.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

You know what.

F\*\*k you you filthy cheater

#### Rebecca's mum

How dare you use that language towards me young lady!

Get to your room right now!

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Fine but I want you to know that it is all your fault.

You should have stayed away from those beers when you had the chance.

You should not have hooked up with your boss. That way we could have had a great life.

You should have got rid of Ethan when you had the chance.

## Rebecca's mum

Just one word.

One word is all it is going to take and believe me you will be in serious trouble.

Go to your room right now for I don't even want to look at you.

#### Rebecca

Goes to her room to sleep.

As she goes to sleep she has a dream of herself and her dad in a park.

#### Rebecca

Dad is that you

Rebecca's dad

Oh yes my butterfly it's me.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

You don't know how much I miss you.

# Rebecca's dad

And you don't know how much I miss being with you and taking you out to places.

## <u>Rebecca</u>

You don't get how hard it is without you, for Ethan is starting to piss me off more and mum has changed a lot after you passed.

## Rebecca's dad

I know trust me I wish I could come down and help her because what she is doing to you is absolutely not okay.

Especially your teacher's giving you so much stress. But yet you're still strong and I am proud of you.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Dad I don't want to go back to mum for I want to stay here with you.

#### Rebecca's dad

I wish that would be possible but unfortunately not.

I want you to know that I love you and you are a very strong young woman.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

I love you too dad.

Rebeeca wakes up with a look of misery but goes back to sleep again.

Cut to - Rebecca's school outdoor

Rebecca is reading a book until one of the bullies approaches her.

One of Rebecca's bullies

Hi Rebecca.

<u>Rebecca</u>

What do you want?

## One of Rebecca's bullies

Look, we just wanted to say sorry to you but we wanted to show you something.

#### <u>Rebecca</u>

Look I don't want any trouble so I was wondering will you not do anything stupid?

One of Rebecca's bullies

We promise we won't

The bullies lure Rebecca to an area where no one can see them and begin to attack her and also they film the assault. One of the bullies put one of their hands around her neck.

## One of Rebecca's bullies

Now listen now some teacher called Mr Long has told us that someone has told them that we were messing about. If I find out it is you trust me I will f#####g batter you you hear me.

They let go of Rebbeca.

Rebecca is crying and decides there is only one way where she is going to end it all.

She sneaks into a room where there is a knife but hears footsteps and decides to go to the cafeteria to end her life.

As she is about to slit her vein Mr Long puts her hand on her shoulder to show us the audience there is always someone there to help.