

Supergirl: Home - Ep. 2 - PG

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FADE IN:

INT. LINDA'S ROOM - MORNING

SUPERGIRL (in full outfit) sleeps placidly on her bed. A moment later she stirs and slowly wakes up. She stretches her arms and yawns. Then she looks at the clock -- it's 9:48 am. She grimaces and jumps out of bed.

She quickly changes into her Linda Danvers outfit and heads for the door.

Then she notices a piece of cloth covering something on her desk. She takes the cloth away, revealing a couple of baskets. On top of the baskets there's a note that reads: "Morning, pumpkin."

She smiles and takes the note.

LINDA

Dad.

INT. LINDA'S ROOM - NIGHT - FLASHBACK

SUPER: Linda, age 11.

Linda reads a book on her desk when FRED walks in. He carries two baskets (the same we saw in the opening scene). One of the baskets has a dozen eggs in it.

FRED

Ready to sleep, pumpkin?

LINDA

Can I read a bit more?

FRED

Sure, but first come here. I want to show you something.

He puts the baskets on Linda's bed.

FRED (CONT'D)

See the eggs in this basket? I want you to do me a favor. Every night before you go to sleep and ever morning right after you wake up, you're going to take all the eggs from this basket with your right hand and put them in the other basket, and then you return them to the first basket with your left hand. Do you understand what I mean? First you move them with your right hand --

He grabs an egg and puts it in the other basket.

FRED (CONT'D)
-- Then with your left hand.

He grabs the egg and returns it to the first basket.

LINDA
Okay.

FRED
But you got to be very careful,
honey. These eggs are very
delicate; if you use too much
strength they'll break.

LINDA
Okay.

FRED
So you'll do it. As a favor to daddy?

LINDA
(smiles)
Sure.

She grabs an egg with her right hand and places it in the other basket.

LINDA (CONT'D)
Like this, right?

FRED
Yes, honey. Exactly like that.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DANVERS' HOME - NOON

SUPER: Two weeks later.

SYLVIA paces the living room, nervous. Fred enters the house.

FRED
What's wrong?

SYLVIA
I can't find Linda. I've been
looking for her all morning.

FRED
Have you called her friends?

SYLVIA
(angry)
Of course I did. I've looked
everywhere. I called everyone. No
one has seen her since yesterday.

FRED

When was the last time you saw her?

SYLVIA

This morning. She was still asleep while I was sweeping the hallway. And then she was gone.

FRED

Okay, don't worry. We'll find her. Let's start in her room.

INT. LINDA'S ROOM

Fred enters the room, looking around, searching for clues. Sylvia comes in a moment later.

SYLVIA

I've already searched her room, Columbo. Do you really think I could've missed something?

Fred looks around for a moment, then his expression changes: he noticed something. He sighs and goes down to his hands and knees, looking for something under Linda's bed.

FRED

The first thing you learn at detective school is that sometimes it isn't what you see what gives you the clues, but what you don't see.

He finds what he was looking for and pulls it from under the bed. The two egg baskets, filled with egg goo and shattered shells.

SYLVIA

Oh, she broke the eggs.

FRED

I think I know where she is.

EXT. BACKYARD - DANVERS' HOME

Sylvia and Fred walk through the many tall trees in their backyard, looking up. A moment later they find Linda, sitting on a branch near the top of the tallest tree, about twenty feet off the ground. She's crying.

FRED

Pumpkin, are you okay?

Linda looks down for a moment, but doesn't speak.

SYLVIA
Honey, come down here. We want to talk to you.

LINDA
(beat)
No.

FRED
We know about the eggs, and don't worry, we're not mad. So come down here. We'll talk about it.

LINDA
(crying)
No. I'm a monster. I'm never coming down.

SYLVIA
Don't say that. You're not a monster. Now come down --

LINDA
I AM a monster. I broke ALL the eggs. I tried to be careful like dad said I should but I kept breaking them. I am a monster.

SYLVIA
Honey, you're not a monster. Come down so we can talk about it.

LINDA
NO! I'm a monster and I don't want to hurt you, so I'm never coming down again.

Fred and Sylvia exchange glances.

FRED
Pumpkin, I'm going to go fetch the big ladder and then I'll go up to talk to you, okay?

He walks away.

SYLVIA
Come on, Linda, don't make you dad climb all the way there. You know how clumsy he is.

LINDA
(crying)
I'm not coming down ever again.

SYLVIA

Linda, you don't want your dad to
get hurt, right?

(beat, no answer)

Right?

LINDA

No.

SYLVIA

So come down here. Don't make
Fred climb that rickety old ladder.

LINDA

(beat)

I don't wanna hurt you. I don't
wanna hurt dad.

SYLVIA

Then don't hurt me. Just climb
down so we can talk.

(beat)

Honey, my neck is hurting like
crazy. Just come down here. Don't
make you dad go all the way up to
get you.

Linda thinks about it, then begins to climb down the tree.

INSERT shot of Fred, standing next to the house looking at
Sylvia and Linda. He never went to get the ladder. It was
just an excuse to get her down.

Linda sits on the ground next to the tree, hugging her knees
and crying.

Sylvia approaches her, but Linda backs away.

LINDA

NO! Don't come near me. I don't
wanna hurt you.

Sylvia sits down a couple of feet away from Linda.

SYLVIA

Linda, they were just eggs, okay.
There's no need for you to make
such a big deal out of it.

LINDA

But I BROKE them. I broke them
all. I tried as hard as I could
to control my strength but I
couldn't. I kept breaking them.

(MORE)

LINDA (CONT'D)

(sob)

I don't wanna hurt you. I'm a monster.

SYLVIA

You're not going to hurt us. Believe me, honey, I'm a lot tougher than an egg.

Sylvia approaches Linda again and she backs away again.

LINDA

No. Don't come near me. I don't wanna hurt you.

Sylvia sighs, then quickly reaches out and grabs Linda's arm. Linda tries to pull away but she's too afraid to use her strength to do it.

LINDA (CONT'D)

No, please, I don't wanna hurt you.

SYLVIA

You won't hurt me, Linda. Believe me, you won't. Do you trust me?

Linda stares at her mother's eyes, not really knowing what to say.

SYLVIA (CONT'D)

Now come here. Give me a hug.

LINDA

No, I don't wanna hurt you.

SYLVIA

Linda, look into my eyes. Do you trust me?

(beat)

Tell me, do you trust me?

LINDA

I do.

SYLVIA

Then why don't you believe me when I tell you that you won't hurt me?

Linda sobs. Sylvia approaches her and embraces her. Linda still hugs her knees.

SYLVIA (CONT'D)

Come on, honey, give me a hug.

Linda embraces her mother. Tentatively at first, afraid of hurting her. Then gives her a warm hug, and begins to cry.

SYLVIA (CONT'D)

Oh, this feels so good, doesn't it? It's the greatest feeling in the world -- hugging someone you love. You can't hurt me, Linda. Not with a hug.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DANVERS' HOME - MORNING - RESUMING

Present Time.

Linda walks down the stairs. Sylvia stands next to the table, drinking some coffee.

SYLVIA

Hi, honey, how was --

Linda hugs Sylvia and lifts her two feet off the ground.

LINDA

I wuv my wittle mommy.

Sylvia chuckles. She hugs Linda.

SYLVIA

He left you the baskets, didn't he?

LINDA

Yep.

SYLVIA

(beat)

Well, honey, I love you too, but would you mind hugging me at ground level. You know, I'm strictly a feet-on-the-ground kind of person.

Linda puts Sylvia back on the ground, and continues hugging her for a moment.

LINDA

I missed you guys so much.

SYLVIA

I know. We missed you too.

LINDA

But where's dad? Did he leave for work already?

SYLVIA

You know him. He's up by five.

LINDA

Why didn't you wake me up? I wanted to have breakfast with you guys.

SYLVIA

You looked so tired last night we thought we better let you sleep.

LINDA

Well, I need to talk to dad. Business stuff.

SYLVIA

Do you want your breakfast first?

LINDA

(smiles)

Sure.

EXT. SKY OVER LEESBURG - MORNING

Supergirl flies around town. This is the first time since she's back that she's had the chance to enjoy the view of the city.

She flies over a high-school football field and chuckles.

Time for another flashback.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DANVERS' HOME - DAY - FLASHBACK

SUPER: Linda, age 15 and two months. Four days before Supergirl's first appearance.

Fred enters the house and finds Linda and Sylvia in the middle of an argument.

SYLVIA

Honey, you're way too strong.

LINDA

I promise I won't hurt anyone.

SYLVIA

I know you wouldn't hurt anyone intentionally, but it's football. Accidents happen. What if a boy tries to tackle you and ends up with a concussion or a broken neck?

LINDA

I'll be very, very careful.

SYLVIA

Sorry, Linda, but the answer is no.

LINDA
You can't do this to me, mom.

FRED
Mind telling me what's this all
about?

SYLVIA
Linda wants to join the football
team.

Fred chuckles.

FRED
For real?

LINDA
(angry)
Yeah, for real.

FRED
You want to talk about it, honey?

LINDA
No, dad. I'm joining the team and
that's it.

FRED
That isn't exactly a reasonable
argument.

LINDA
You won't talk me out of it, dad.

FRED
You want to bet on that, honey?
Because I'm pretty sure I'm
batting a thousand in that
department.

LINDA
Dad! You won't make me laugh either.

FRED
You want to bet on that one too?

LINDA
Daaaad!

FRED
So explain to me why you want to
join the football team.

LINDA
You always said that girls can do
anything boys can do.

FRED

Yeah, but I told you that so you'd try the good stuff boys do, not the dumb stuff.

LINDA

Are you saying football is dumb?

FRED

Honey, the NFL is football. College football is football. High-school football is just a bunch of horny teenage boys running after a ball trying to impress cheerleaders. Now tell me why do you want to join the team.

LINDA

'Cos I'm a girl and I can be a damn good football player.

FRED

Don't give me that, honey. Tell me what happened.

A beat.

LINDA

Nothing happened.

FRED

Really? You just decided -- out of the blue -- to join the football team. That it?

LINDA

Yes.

FRED

Do you actually know anything about football? Can you tell a quarterback from a cornerback?

LINDA

Of course I can, dad! I'm not dumb.

FRED

Of course you're not dumb. You're the smartest girl I know, that's why I can't believe you just decided to join the football team for no reason. So tell me -- what happened?

Linda thinks about it. She doesn't want to say it.

LINDA

Nothing.

(beat)

You'll never let me play if I tell you.

FRED

What makes you think I'll let you play if you don't tell me?

LINDA

Daaad!

FRED

C'mon, honey, tell me what happened.

LINDA

Okay. Last week our team had a game against Sierra High and they creamed us. And the idiots from Sierra spent the whole afternoon bragging about it. I was with my friends at Bert & Betty's when they came in. First they started talking trash about the team, and then they started saying that we were just a bunch of worthless little girls. That boys are better than girls because they're stronger. That girls are too dumb and weak to play football and so we should stay home and bake cookies.

(beat)

Do you know how I felt, dad? I could've thrown them to the next county but I had to sit there and listen to all that garbage.

FRED

So you want to join the football team to prove those idiots that they were wrong, right?

LINDA

Yes. Can I join the team now?

FRED

Let's think about it for a moment. These guys said that boys are better than girls because they're stronger, right?

LINDA

Yeah.

FRED

And you want to prove them wrong by playing football against them and beating them?

LINDA

I'm sure I can swipe the floor with them.

FRED

I'm sure you can. I know how strong you are -- I've seen you lift the truck. You're obviously much stronger than them.

Linda smiles.

LINDA

So you'll let me play?

FRED

Hold your horses. First tell me, if you prove you're stronger than them, would that mean you're better than them?

LINDA

Of course.

FRED

So what you're saying is this: if person A is stronger than person B, then person A is better than B, right?

LINDA

(doubtfully)

Er... yes --?

FRED

So for instance, if one of those guys from Sierra High just happens to be stronger than, say, your friend Darla, would that mean he's better than her?

LINDA

Eh, no.

FRED

So let's say you play football against Sierra High. And all by yourself -- playing all the positions -- you clean the floor with those guys, would that prove that you're better than them?

LINDA
(defeated)

No.

FRED
Now tell me, honey, do you think
you're better than those guys
from Sierra High?

LINDA
No.

FRED
Well, I love you, honey, but
you're dead wrong. You ARE better
than those idiots. But not
because you're stronger or faster
or smarter, but because you don't
make others feel inferior because
of it. Those idiots are bullies.
They tease others, insult them,
and make them feel like they're
the lowest thing on the planet.
And I hate it that they tried to
do it to you, Linda. I really do.
And to be honest, I'd love to let
you play football just so you can
beat the crap out of those a-
holes. But you know as well as I
do that it isn't the right way to
do it.

LINDA
And what is the right way to do it?

FRED
I don't know, but barging into
their high school and showing
everyone how strong you really
are is not the way to go. That'll
only get you in trouble.

Sylvia steps into the conversation.

SYLVIA
You know, I think I might have a
solution for that one.

LINDA
Really?

SYLVIA
Do you remember when you were ten
and we talked about your powers
for the first time?

LINDA

When you told me I was adopted?

SYLVIA

Er... yeah. Somehow I thought you'd fixate on that part. Anyway, do you remember what I told you that made you feel better?

LINDA

(thinks, smiles)

That I might grow up to be a superhero?

SYLVIA

Yeah. I get the feeling that this might be the right time for you to start doing just that, don't you think?

INT. FRED'S TRUCK - DAY - FLASHBACK

SUPER: Four days later.

Fred drives the truck while Linda sits next to him. She wears her Supergirl outfit but covers it with a blanket.

She uncovers her outfit so Fred can see it.

SUPERGIRL

Dad, do I look good in the outfit? Tell me the truth.

FRED

Honey, I've been married for almost twenty years and if there's one thing I've learn is to never tell the truth when a lady asks me about her clothes.

SUPERGIRL

DAD! Please, I need to know.

FRED

Don't worry, Linda, you look great in that costume.

(beat)

Then again, I'm your daddy. You'd look great to me if you dressed like a gorilla.

SUPERGIRL

DAAAAD! Stop joking! I really need to know.

FRED
You look stunning.

LINDA
Really?

FRED
Yeah.

Linda smiles.

LINDA
And another thing, dad. When I'm wearing my outfit, call me "Supergirl," not Linda, or honey, or anything like that.
(pleadingly, almost crying)
And please, daddy, don't call it a costume. It's my Supergirl outfit.

FRED
Sure thing, Supergirl. Are you going to call me "daddy" when you wear that outfit?

SUPERGIRL
Oh, you're right.
(mock macho)
Thank you, Mr. Danvers. A truly keen observation.

FRED
Are you going to talk like that?

SUPERGIRL
What's wrong with it?

FRED
Nothing. Eh, mind if I ask you something Supergirl?

SUPERGIRL
Of course not, Mr. Danvers. Go ahead.

FRED
Do all superheroes get driven by their daddies to their first mission?

SUPERGIRL
DAAAAD!
(beat)
You know I didn't want to fly all the way here.

FRED

Didn't want to get your hair all frizzy, did you?

SUPERGIRL

I'm not that shallow! I just wanted you to be here. You know, for moral support. I wanted mom to be here too, but...

(angrily)

And my hair doesn't get frizzy!

EXT. FOOTBALL FIELD - DAY - FLASHBACK

Fred's truck is parked a few hundred yards away from the football field.

Supergirl gives Fred one last look and then walks into the field.

Some cheerleaders warm up at the sidelines. They stare at Supergirl as she approaches the players, who sit around mid-field, preparing for their practice.

SUPERGIRL

(to the players)

I heard you guys think you're the strongest around here. Did I hear right?

All the players turn to Supergirl, then burst into laughter.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

I'm here to show you who's the strongest.

The players laugh even harder.

Supergirl picks up a helmet and squashes it into a tortilla chip with her bare hands.

The players stop laughing. They look at her a bit more seriously.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

Now this is how we're going to do it. It's you -- all of you -- against me. You punt the ball -- I return it. I bet anything you want I can score a touchdown.

COUCH

Who the hell do you think you are?

SUPERGIRL

I'm Supergirl.

Supergirl picks up another helmet and squashes it.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

Now, do you want to play football,
or are you too scared that a girl
will beat you?

FRIDGE, the star linebacker, very well described by his
nickname, walks to Supergirl.

FRIDGE

I'm not scared of you, you little
bitch. Get the hell out of here!

Fridge tries to push Supergirl out. She twists his arm and
pushes him, face first, into the ground.

SUPERGIRL

It's either football or boxing.
You pick. I'll beat you up either
way.

QUARTERBACK

You want to play football, you
little piece of crap? We play
football. But you're going
straight to the hospital.

Supergirl releases Fridge. He glares at her before joining
all the players at mid-field, where they start to put on
their equipment.

Supergirl walks to the cheerleaders.

SUPERGIRL

(to head cheerleader)

Would you mind getting every kid
in the school here? I think
they'd like to watch this.

HEAD CHEERLEADER

You're kidding. I'm not moving an
inch. I don't want to miss this.

SUPERGIRL

I won't do anything interesting
until you return.

HEAD CHEERLEADER

Promise?

SUPERGIRL

Promise.

The Head Cheerleader sprints to the school's building.

CHEERLEADER #2

Are you sure you can beat those guys?

SUPERGIRL

(smiling)

You girls are going to love this.

Supergirl walks toward the end zone.

A moment later, the Head Cheerleader runs back into the field, followed by every kid in the high school.

Supergirl waits at the end zone. The players are huddled together, doing something we can't see.

A moment later the huddle breaks. Fridge has a helmet with a lot of nasty things written on it. He throws the helmet to Supergirl.

FRIDGE

Here. You can use this helmet.

Supergirl doesn't bother to read the helmet. She kicks it, scoring a perfect hundred-yard field goal on the other goal.

SUPERGIRL

I don't need helmets.

All the high-school kids cheer. The players give them a nasty look and they go quiet.

The players get ready. The ball is punted. Supergirl catches it. The players charge.

Then Supergirl runs at full speed to the other end zone. Nothing more than a red/blue blur.

She stands at the one-yard line, ready to score the touchdown. The players turn to her, not really knowing what just happened. She waves at them.

SUPERGIRL

Hey guys, I'm here. But wait a minute, that was too easy. Let's do it again.

She rushes back to her side of the field and stands on her one-yard line.

SUPERGIRL

This time I'll WALK to the end zone.

She starts to walk slowly to the other side of the field.

INSERT collage of images. The players try to stop her and fail miserably. All the kids cheer for her. Supergirl enjoys making the players look like idiots.

When she's at the twenty-yard line, the players give up and she just walks in for the touchdown, unmolested. She turns around to face the players.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

I know that every time one of you scores a touchdown, you do some stupid little dance, trying to ridicule you opponents and make them feel bad. Well, I'm not going to do that.

She nonchalantly drops the ball. All the kids surround her and chant her name. She's at the top of the world.

Fridge, unnoticed by everyone, runs to the tool shed next to the field. He returns with a crowbar.

Supergirl is too happy to notice Fridge as he sprints from behind and lands the crowbar on the back of her neck.

The blow didn't harm Supergirl, but it was strong enough to send her to the ground, face first. Fridge hits her again, digging her face two inches into the ground. The crowd is about to charge when Fridge sends another blow.

Supergirl grabs the crowbar. Slowly, she stands up. She looks really mad. She cleans the dirt off her face and her expression looks even more menacing.

Fridge tries to pull the crowbar away (toward himself), but can't even move it an inch.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

You're stronger than others and you think that makes you better than them.

Supergirl releases the crowbar.

SLOW MOTION: the crowbar is released. Fridge was pulling it toward himself, so the crowbar flies directly toward his face. His expression turns into sheer horror as the crowbar is about to smash his skull.

Supergirl grabs it an inch away from Fridge's face.

NORMAL SPEED

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

Well, I'm stronger than you. Does it mean I'm better than you?

CROWD

Hell yeah!

SUPERGIRL

No, it doesn't. Being stronger than you only means I'm stronger than you. But the fact that I prevented the crowbar from smashing your skull into bits when that was exactly what you were trying to do to me, THAT means I'm better than you.

Supergirl easily pulls the crowbar away from Fridge's limp fingers. She twists it into a knot and drops it to the ground.

She turns to all the football players.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

And now all of you are going to apologize to every single person you've mistreated in this high school. And I mean EVERYONE. And you better start treating them nicely because I'm going to come back next week and I'm going to ask this nice people how you behaved and if one of them -- just one of them -- has even the slightest complaint about you -- even if it's that you didn't smile wide enough when you said "hi" to him -- I'm going to do to you what I just did to that crowbar. Am I clear?

INT. FRED'S TRUCK - MINUTES LATER - FLASHBACK

Fred has his arm around Supergirl's shoulders. Her head rests on his chest. She holds an ice pack to the back of her head.

SUPERGIRL

Ouch.

FRED

I'm so proud of you, honey -- I mean Supergirl. Are you still Supergirl or can I call you Linda again?

SUPERGIRL

I'm Linda now. I need my daddy. Ouch.

EXT. SKY ABOVE LEESBURG - MORNING - RESUMING

Present time.

Supergirl flies high above the city, like she was before the flashback. She smiles at the memory.

FEMALE VOICE (O.S.)

(mocking)

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird!
No, it's a plane! No, it's a
Huggy Bear who owes me fifty bucks!

Supergirl smiles, looks down, trying to find the source of the voice.

SUPERGIRL

PG!

She heads down.

EXT. FOREST OUTSIDE LEESBURG - MOMENTS LATER

POWER GIRL, twenty-two, leans against a tree. She's almost identical to Supergirl, save the outfit. She's as cool as it gets.

Supergirl lands next to her, smiling ear to ear.

POWER GIRL

Hiya, squirt.

SUPERGIRL

PG! I'm so glad you're here.

Supergirl hugs Power Girl.

Supergirl loves hugging people. Power Girl hates being hugged, especially by Supergirl.

POWER GIRL

Oh, no. The hugging again. Quit it already. It's embarrassing.

SUPERGIRL

It's so good to have you here.

A beat. Supergirl still hugs Power Girl, only now she's mostly doing it to annoy her.

Power Girl hugs her and gives her a squeeze around her chest. It hurts Supergirl. She pulls back.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

Okay, okay. No more hugging. Ouch.
My ribs are sore.

POWER GIRL

(smiling)

I know.

(beat)

You're such a dork, you know.
I've tried so hard to knock the
dorkness out of you, but even I
have limits.

SUPERGIRL

That's about as warm a greeting
I'll ever get out of you, right?

They smile at each other for a moment.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

I'm really glad you're here, PG.

Supergirl hugs Power Girl again.

POWER GIRL

Cut it out. Oh damn. It's my
fault for having such a dorky
best friend.

EXT. SKY ABOVE LEESBURG - DAY - FLASHBACK

Last flashback of this episode. Promise.

Supergirl, fifteen, flies around with her eyes closed,
enjoying the sensation of flight.

Power Girl, fifteen too, short hair, stands in mid-air, arms
folded, looking as menacing as a fifteen-year-old girl can.

POWER GIRL

Stop right there, Supergirl.

Supergirl opens her eyes and stops in mid-air. She smiles
warmly when she sees Power Girl.

SUPERGIRL

(friendly as a puppy)

Oh, hi! You're Power Girl, right?

This takes Power Girl by surprise. She drops the tough act
and smiles.

POWER GIRL

You know who I am?

SUPERGIRL

Sure. I've read a lot about you.
I even planned to go to
Johnsonville next week to meet you.

POWER GIRL
 (frowns)
 What for?

SUPERGIRL
 You know, so we could talk. I
 thought that maybe we could
 become friends or something.

POWER GIRL
 Wow, you're a big dork.

SUPERGIRL
 Why do you call me a dork?

Power Girl goes back to looking tough and menacing.

POWER GIRL
 I came here to challenge you to a
 fight.

SUPERGIRL
 A fight? I thought you were a
 superhero.

POWER GIRL
 I am. I'm also the toughest girl
 around and I want to prove it.

SUPERGIRL
 Why?

POWER GIRL
 (beat)
 What do you mean "why"? So
 everyone will know I'm the toughest.

SUPERGIRL
 Again, why? Why do you care what
 anyone else thinks?

POWER GIRL
 You're just a wimp, aren't you?

Supergirl starts to get annoyed by Power Girl's attitude.

SUPERGIRL
 You talk like a boy, you know that?

POWER GIRL
 A boy? Why? Because I don't spend
 all my time talking about make-up,
 clothes, jewelry or girlie stuff
 like that?

SUPERGIRL

No, because you just called me a wimp and a dork and you're challenging me to a fight to prove who has the biggest muscles.

Power Girl thinks about it. Drops the tough act.

POWER GIRL

Oh... dad says I'm a bit of a tomboy.

SUPERGIRL

Yeah. And you're a bit blond. And your cape is a bit red...

Both girls slowly hover down to the ground.

POWER GIRL

You know what? You're right. What do I care what everyone else thinks?

SUPERGIRL

That's the spirit.

POWER GIRL

I know I'm the toughest girl around and that's enough.

Power Girl waits for a response. Doesn't get any.

POWER GIRL (CONT'D)

You're not going to take that bait, are you?

SUPERGIRL

No.

POWER GIRL

So you don't mind if I tell everyone I'm the toughest girl.

SUPERGIRL

No.

POWER GIRL

And you don't mind if I tell everyone I beat you silly.

SUPERGIRL

If you really need to lie to feel good about yourself.

POWER GIRL

(angry)

You're a regular smartass. No way I can convince you to fight, is there?

SUPERGIRL

Nope. I'm a superhero and superheroes don't fight other superheroes.

POWER GIRL

So what now? Should we braid each other's hair and have a tea party?

SUPERGIRL

I thought we could just talk. You're the first superhero I've ever met. I mean, I have lots of friends, but there's so much I can't talk to them about. If I talk about my powers they'll just think I'm showing off, and even if they don't, they just won't understand me because they don't know what it feels to fly or to lift a truck --

POWER GIRL

(smiling)

Oh, that's so cool, isn't it?

SUPERGIRL

Yeah!

They sit down on the grass.

POWER GIRL

What's your favorite, flight or strength?

SUPERGIRL

I love flying, but nothing beats lifting really big stuff.

POWER GIRL

I'm with you on that one, sis. That reminds me of something. Funny story. It was the day after a really big storm and I'm helping this farmer guy because the storm knocked off some of the fences and the cows got out.

SUPERGIRL

You mean the storm two months ago?

POWER GIRL

Yeah, that one. So this guy is herding the cows while I'm lifting them back in because why herd when you can lift, right? So we're almost done when a bull appears. I don't know if it was the red cape or maybe the bull had some problems at home, but the bull was really angry with me. He's giving me the whole macho-bull number, you know, the hoofs, the mooing, the smoke coming out of the nostrils and everything.

SUPERGIRL

They think they're so tough when they do that.

POWER GIRL

Yeah. So I'm like: "what? You think you can scare me? You think you're tough? Ha! My grandmother's tougher than you!" Then the bull charges. He comes running at me at full speed, mooing like crazy. So I run to him screaming: "go moo your own mother, you dirty fleabag!" and then I head-butt the bull and send him like fifty yards back. Then the bull stands up, shakes himself off and charges again. Can you believe that?

SUPERGIRL

Not a smart move.

POWER GIRL

So I run to him again, but this time I just stop him. So I have him by the horns and he's trying to push me back and I'm trying to push him back. But with all the rain the ground is all mud and neither of us has any traction. So we're both running in place, throwing truckloads of mud behind us, literally digging ourselves into the ground like cartoons. And the owner is like: "please don't hurt my bull!" And I'm like: "he started it!" By then I'm already a foot underground. And the owner is like: "please stop!" And I'm like: "I'm not stopping until he stops!"

EXT. HILL - DAY - RESUMING

Present time.

The scene is almost identical to the previous one, only Supergirl and Power Girl are twenty-two. They sit almost in the exact positions they sat in the previous scene.

POWER GIRL

...and then this huge guy comes out looking like a cartoon mercenary. You know, six-foot-five, three-hundred-something pounds, all of it muscle, a crewcut, and no neck whatsoever. And he has this huge cannon. I swear, the thing was as thick as his leg. And he says to me in his best Ah-nold voice --

(Schwarzenegger voice)

"you're going down, Power Girl!"

SUPERGIRL

You're making this up.

POWER GIRL

I swear that's how the guy talked. So I look at his gigantic cannon and, you know me, on the outside I'm like: "oh, yeah, you and what army of giant mutant cyborgs?" but on the inside I'm like: "watch out, girl, this might be trouble." So he fires at me, and I dodge out of the way. And what comes out of that huge cannon is the wimpiest-looking laser beam you've ever seen. I swear it was half my pinky. The beam hit a rose petal behind me and did nothing to it.

SUPERGIRL

Now I know you're making this up.

POWER GIRL

I'm not. Then the guy goes crazy. He starts fumbling with the knobs on the gun. And the beam changes. Now it's yellow and half the size. So I look at the wimpy beam and then turn to him and say: "now I know what your girlfriend feels."

SUPERGIRL

You didn't.

POWER GIRL

I did. So the guy keeps going at the knobs, and I just let it go. I'm like: "oh, don't worry, it happens to every man" and "perhaps you're just nervous or something" and "maybe if we just wait a little while."

Supergirl bursts into laughter.

SUPERGIRL

You didn't. You liar.

POWER GIRL

I swear I'm not making this up. That really happened.

SUPERGIRL

Why is it that all that funny stuff never happens to me?

POWER GIRL

It's a matter of talent, I suppose. Oh, and by the way, I spent most of yesterday with your ex, kicking the butt of a guy called Gharrax.

SUPERGIRL

He called you? Good for him.

POWER GIRL

Not that they needed me. Gharrax was a mess. You banged him up pretty badly.

SUPERGIRL

Is everyone okay?

POWER GIRL

Sure.

(beat)

Except for Claw. He had a little -- quote-unquote -- accident. Lost most of his teeth. But they'll grow back.

SUPERGIRL

You didn't have to do that.

POWER GIRL

It was an accident, I swear -- wink, wink. Should Nightwing have an accident too? I don't remember.

SUPERGIRL

Leave him alone. He was a nice guy.

POWER GIRL

Then why did you break up? Did he cheat on you?

Supergirl gives her a look.

SUPERGIRL

Nah. It's just -- you know -- it didn't work. He kept trying to protect me, which makes me really angry because I don't need anyone's protection. But then I turn around and try to protect him, which made him angry, and made me look like a hypocrite.

POWER GIRL

And so you decided to join a convent afterwards.

SUPERGIRL

Of course not. I dated this guy -- a normal guy -- about three months ago. Everything was going great. We talked a lot. We had a lot in common and everything. And I was about to tell him I'm Supergirl. But then something happened. We're watching TV and a report comes up showing me saving the world or something, I don't remember. And Bern looks at me -- at Supergirl -- and scoffs. I ask him -- "what's wrong, honey, don't you like Supergirl?" and he says -- "of course not."

POWER GIRL

And what did you expect him to say? The guy was with his girlfriend and sees a hot blonde flying around in a miniskirt. You didn't expect him to go --

(mock macho)

Hey, that girl looks hot. I'd really love to bang her. Honey, would you mind a little threesome with her some day?

SUPERGIRL

No, that wasn't it. I asked him why he didn't like Supergirl and he told me that Supergirl is nothing but a dumb bimbo taking advantage of Superman's popularity. That after all Superman's done for the world, that "hag" should be thrown in jail for tarnishing his name.

A beat.

POWER GIRL

Okay, tell me where this guy lives and I'll knock his teeth out.

SUPERGIRL

Don't even joke about that.

POWER GIRL

I'm not joking. I actually want to hurt this guy. Come on, sis, how much of a dork are you? How can you let him get away with that? After all you've done. How many times have you saved the world? How many broken bones you've had saving everyone's asses?

(beat)

I hope you at least threw a bucket of cold water down his pants.

SUPERGIRL

You can't beat people into liking you. But forget that. I shouldn't have told you that story. Let's talk about something else.

POWER GIRL

Yeah, let's ignore the sexist bigot and --

SUPERGIRL

PG.

A long beat.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

So why did you come here, anyway? Did mom ask you to come and cheer me up?

POWER GIRL

No, your mom called me to ask me your phone number so she could tell her daughter that her father has cancer.

Supergirl buries her face in her hands.

SUPERGIRL

Damn, I forgot. I never told mom my new cell number. Oh, I'm a horrible daughter.

POWER GIRL

Yes, you are. You should be spanked. You have the coolest parents in the world and you treat them like crap.

SUPERGIRL

I can't believe I did that. Oh, well, never mind the past. Have you seen dad already?

POWER GIRL

Not yet. I wanted to tell you about Gharrax and Claw first.

SUPERGIRL

Then let's go. I need to talk to dad about something.

They stand up. Then Supergirl smiles.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

There's something I want to show you, but only if you promise not to laugh.

POWER GIRL

Oh, yeah, that's a realistic request.

SUPERGIRL

Okay, you can laugh, but promise not to make fun of me afterwards.

POWER GIRL

You're still in the land of make-believe.

SUPERGIRL

Okay, promise to make fun of me for less than a month.

POWER GIRL

I'll do my best.

EXT. MEMORIAL PARK - MOMENTS LATER

The park where Supergirl's statue is. We never see the statue. Power Girl is on her hands and knees, literally rolling on the floor laughing.

SUPERGIRL
And that's supposed to be me --
at fifteen. Can you believe that?

Power Girl lets out another riotous laugh.

A beat.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)
Oh, come on, it's not that funny.

POWER GIRL
Yes, it is!

Another burst of laughter. Power Girl bangs on the ground with her fist, causing small tremors and a crack on the sidewalk.

INT. POLICE STATION - MINUTES LATER

The station is empty except for Officer Getz, who sits behind a desk, reading the newspaper.

Power Girl and Supergirl enter. They look around in disbelief.

POWER GIRL
Wow, did you get robbed or something?

Officer Getz looks up and sees them.

OFFICER GETZ
Hey, ladies, nice to have you here.

SUPERGIRL
What happened?

OFFICER GETZ
It's just that the Chief gave the day off to most of the guys. You know, on account of you being back in town.

POWER GIRL
That's very gentlemanly of him.

OFFICER GETZ

No, what I mean is that everyone knows Supergirl's back, so the Chief figures all the crooks will be hiding under a rock. At least for the next few days. And since everyone's been working overtime the last few weeks, it seemed like the best time to give the guys a break.

SUPERGIRL

I'll cover for you guys. I know how hard you've been working lately.

POWER GIRL

And don't worry, I'll be here for a couple of days. Just in case she screws up.

OFFICER GETZ

You're sticking around too? That's great to hear. I mean, I'm glad to see you two together. I remember you used to hang together most of the time, but then Power Girl stopped coming to town. What happened?

Supergirl and Power Girl look at each other.

SUPERGIRL

We had a fight.

POWER GIRL

She means an actual fight.

Power Girl puts up her fists to accentuate what she means.

OFFICER GETZ

You kidding me? An actual fight? Wow, I didn't know about that.

(beat)

Can I ask you something? Just out of curiosity --

SUPERGIRL

I won.

POWER GIRL

She cheated.

SUPERGIRL

(to Power Girl)

If that helps you sleep at night...

OFFICER GETZ

But why did you fight?

POWER GIRL AND SUPERGIRL

A boy.

SUPERGIRL

We were seventeen at the time. We had a crush on the same guy.

POWER GIRL

Did she ever tell you that the first time we fought I knocked her out with one punch. Just one.

SUPERGIRL

You didn't knock me out, you liar. You knocked me down -- for the count, admittedly, but DOWN, not out. There's a difference.

POWER GIRL

If that helps you sleep at night...

OFFICER GETZ

For real?

SUPERGIRL

Yeah, I was fifteen and she was teaching karate. I'd never fought anything in my life and she was already a black belt. She got me right in the chin. I was dizzy for an hour.

POWER GIRL

I'd say you've been dizzy for seven years now.

SUPERGIRL

And even so I beat you fair and square the next time we fought.

POWER GIRL

You cheated.

SUPERGIRL

I didn't. You're delirious.

Supergirl and Power Girl get serious.

POWER GIRL

Really? Wanna prove it to me.

SUPERGIRL

Any time, any place, sister.

They drop into a fighting stance. Officer Getz looks worried as hell.

OFFICER GETZ
Please, don't fight.

POWER GIRL
I taught you everything you know about fighting. Do you really think you can take me?

SUPERGIRL
Been there, done that.

OFFICER GETZ
Please, just calm down.

They look like they're about to fight. Then they chuckle and smile to Officer Getz.

POWER GIRL
We're just pulling you leg.

SUPERGIRL
We're not teenagers anymore. We don't fight each other.

OFFICER GETZ
Geez, don't do that again. You almost gave me a heart attack. You two could thrash the whole city if you get into a fight.

POWER GIRL
Indeed, we could.

SUPERGIRL
You're so lucky we're grown-ups now.

Officer Getz chuckles, more relaxed now.

OFFICER GETZ
I'm so glad you two are on our side.
(beat)
And while we're at it, can I ask you something? Are you two sisters?

SUPERGIRL
The truth is that we don't really know for sure. Maybe we are.

OFFICER GETZ
You probably are. I mean you have the same powers a you look so much alike.

SUPERGIRL
No, we're very different.

They speak at the same time.

POWER GIRL
I'm prettier.

SUPERGIRL
I'm smarter.

They turn to each other.

POWER GIRL AND SUPERGIRL
Excuse me.

They all chuckle.

OFFICER GETZ
I get the feeling you ladies
practice that one. Am I right?

POWER GIRL
Oh yeah.

SUPERGIRL
We came up with it one night when
we were fifteen.

POWER GIRL
We were really bored so we tried
to come up with all the cool
stuff we'd say to the bad guys
before we arrested them.

SUPERGIRL
There was choreography involved.
And dancing.

POWER GIRL
And singing too. Don't forget the
singing.

SUPERGIRL
How could I?

POWER GIRL
We were such dorks back then. I
could die of embarrassment just
by thinking about that night.

Fred enters, carrying a couple of bags from a fast-food
restaurant.

Both women turn to him and smile.

POWER GIRL

Hey, Lt. D, nice seeing you again.

SUPERGIRL

Hi, Lt. Danvers.

Fred gives Officer Getz one of the bags.

FRED

Hiya, ladies. Odd thing. About five minutes ago I heard some riotous laughter followed by tremors. I gather you ladies saw the statue.

Power Girl laughs. Supergirl buries her face in her hands.

SUPERGIRL

How could you let them build that thing?

FRED

None of us got to see it until the unveiling ceremony and by then it was kinda hard to do anything about it. There's been some talk of writing a proposal to change it, but -- you know -- how do you phrase it?

POWER GIRL

I could give you a dozen ideas.

SUPERGIRL

Never mind that monstrosity. Forget about it.

POWER GIRL

I very much doubt I can forget it. Not for as long as I live. I'll have nightmares about it. I'll dream that some gigantic pair of --

SUPERGIRL

Knock it off.

(to Fred)

Actually, I'm here on business. I need some detecting done. Do you have a minute to spare?

FRED

Sure, please come by my office.

Fred leads Supergirl and Power Girl to his office.

INT. FRED'S OFFICE

Fred closes the door as soon Supergirl and Power Girl are inside.

SUPERGIRL

Why didn't you wake me up this morning? I wanted to have breakfast with you guys.

FRED

You looked so tired last night.

SUPERGIRL

Forget about that then. I meant it when I said I'm here on business. I need to find out everything about the man who attacked me yesterday.

FRED

What have you got so far?

SUPERGIRL

I know his name is Frank but I don't know his last name. I can give you a description. Maybe we can run it through the computer.

Fred chuckles.

FRED

Honey, this ain't the big city. The computer's there just to play solitaire. I'm the closest thing to a sketch artist in this place and I can't draw a straight line to save my life.

POWER GIRL

Do you have anything besides the guy's first name?

SUPERGIRL

He looked like that guy from that old TV show "Happy Days." The cool guy. What was his name? Fonzie, right?

FRED

Are you kidding me?

SUPERGIRL

No, I'm not. He was with three others too -- a tall elastic man, a little man and a woman named Roxy or something. She's the one who hurt my ribs.

POWER GIRL

Roxanne "Rocksy" Meadows? A tall redhead with a fixation for blondes.

SUPERGIRL

Do you know her?

POWER GIRL

She put Dawnstar in a coma. She broke your ribs?

SUPERGIRL

She re-injured them. Gharrax broke them. She's not that strong. I could've beat her easily if Frank hadn't jammed my senses.

FRED

What do you mean he jammed your senses?

SUPERGIRL

I couldn't see or hear anything. The guy's a psychic or something. A very strong one too.

POWER GIRL

You mean to tell me that you beat Rocksy Meadows without eyes or ears? I'm impressed. You're my hero.

SUPERGIRL

Dad, is there anything you can do? I really need some help here. I got the feeling Frank was just fooling around. He could've hurt me if he had really wanted to.

FRED

You sure there's no one else that can help you with that?

SUPERGIRL

All my contacts are momentarily out of commission, so to speak.

Fred sighs. He doesn't want to do this.

FRED
Give me a moment.

He sits on the desk and picks up the phone. He dials a 12-digit number, and receives a signal indicating that the number doesn't exist. He waits five seconds then dials (without hanging up) a 4-digit code.

FRED (CONT'D)
(to phone)
Frederick -- Danvers.

He hangs up.

Supergirl and Power Girl frown at each other.

A moment later the phone rings. Fred picks it up.

MALE VOICE (O.S.)
Danvers, you got ten seconds to
get my interest.

FRED
I got here a very powerful
psychic named Frank -- no known
last name -- with a Fonzie
fixation. He's accompanied by a
very strong lady called Roxanne
Meadows, a dwarf and an elastic man.

MALE VOICE (O.S.)
(chuckles)
Oh, yes. Frakkus "Frank" Devaugh.
Six-foot-two. A-hundred-eighty
pounds. Thirty-seven years old.
Born in New York and son of the
recently-murdered mafia lord
Bekas Devaugh. Is this your man?

FRED
Sounds like him. I got a witness
that pins him here in Leesburg.

MALE VOICE (O.S.)
A witness? Ugh, tell me where to
send the flowers.

FRED
No need for flowers. She can take
care of herself.

MALE VOICE (O.S.)
"She"? Well, it figures it'd take
an A-5 to stand up to Devaugh and
company.

FRED

What can you tell me about him?

MALE VOICE (O.S.)

Only the known facts. His father got killed six months ago and apparently Frank was a devout son because he killed his father's killer and most of his family. Then he vanished. It's rumored that he's spent all this time moving from town to town, hiring powerful meta-humans like Rocky. We don't know why.

Supergirl motions to Fred, to call his attention.

SUPERGIRL

(mouthing)

How powerful?

FRED

How powerful is this guy?

MALE VOICE (O.S.)

We have no idea. Our reports make him at least a C-5, probably a C-4. But he likes to keep a low profile, so it's probably much higher than that. My guess is that he might be a B-6.

FRED

Any advice?

MALE VOICE (O.S.)

Don't get near him. Don't annoy him. Keep me posted.

He hangs up.

Fred stands up.

SUPERGIRL

(to Fred)

We're going to have to talk about that call.

FRED

I presumed so.

POWER GIRL

Who was that guy? The whole phone game made it look like a top-secret government organization or something.

FRED

I have no idea who it is. He called me about two years ago. He said that he worked for the government keeping track of the meta-humans.

SUPERGIRL

I hate that term -- "meta-human." Makes me feel like a monster.

FRED

I know, honey. Sorry.

SUPERGIRL

How much does he know about us?

FRED

He doesn't know I'm your father. At least I don't think he knows.

SUPERGIRL

I'll worry about that later.

EXT. BACKYARD - FRANK'S MANSION - NIGHT

Rocksy, looking angry, stands next to a large rock leaning against the mountain. She punches the rock, smashing it into bits. She growls. Then she picks up another large rock, leans it against the mountain and smashes it too.

Big Ben walks into frame. He's eating potato chips from a bag. He has a strange PDA-like device under his arm.

Rocksy scowls at Big Ben then smashes another rock.

ROCKSY

Did you come here to make fun of me, little man?

BIG BEN

Why would I do that? You could squash me like a bug.

ROCKSY

And don't you ever forget that.

Rocksy smashes another rock.

BIG BEN

I could help you, you know.

ROCKSY

What do you mean?

Big Ben shows her the device he's carrying. It's some kind of measuring instrument.

BIG BEN

I know where your strength comes from. I can give you a boost.

ROCKSY

What do you mean a boost?

BIG BEN

I can double your strength. Maybe triple it.

Rocksy smiles. She lifts Big Ben six feet off the ground.

ROCKSY

You're not kidding me, little man, are you?

BIG BEN

I'm not kidding. That's why Frank brought me here. I'm good with that kind of stuff.

ROCKSY

Really? Then do it. I want to crush that blonde.

BIG BEN

I'll do it. With one condition. You can't tell Frank about it. It's a surprise for him.

ROCKSY

Okay. I love surprises.

BIG BEN

Then come with me.

INT. LAB - FRANK'S MANSION

Big Ben enters followed by Rocksy. The lab is filled with all kinds of electronic equipment.

Big Ben walks to a table and picks up a black belt with a large buckle about an inch thick.

BIG BEN

Put it on.

Rocksy frowns at the belt.

ROCKSY

Do you have one in red?

BIG BEN

It's not a fashion accessory,
it's an energy booster. Now put
it on.

ROCKSY

Don't give me attitude, little
man, or I'll make you tall the
painful way.

BIG BEN

You want to crush the blonde or not?

Rocksy, reluctantly, puts on the belt. She looks at herself.

ROCKSY

I don't feel any difference.

Big Ben connects the Booster to a large box sitting on the
table. Electrical bolts shoot through the cable. The
Booster's buckle begins to glow.

ROCKSY (CONT'D)

Still, no difference.

Big Ben pushes a button on the Booster, and energy bolts
course through Rocksy's body. Her eyes begin to glow.

BIG BEN

Feel the difference now?

ROCKSY (CONT'D)

(grinning)

Yes! Oh yes! It feels so good.

BIG BEN

Great.

He pushes the button again and the Booster turns off.

Rocksy turns to him, angry.

ROCKSY

Why did you make it stop?

BIG BEN

The charge lasts only two minutes.
You don't want to waste it here,
do you?

INT. LIVING ROOM - DANVERS' HOME - NIGHT

Sylvia, Fred, Linda and KAREN STARR, A.K.A. Power Girl, eat
dinner.

KAREN

... and then I come flying and grab the giant robot's leg and pull it off, and I'm thinking -- well, that should do it. Then I turn around and I see the robot balancing on one leg, jumping toward me and I'm like: "who are you? The Black Knight in Monty Python and the Holy Grail?" So I throw its leg back to the robot. And the robot grabs it and tries to put it back on, but can't. It looked ridiculous. So I'm like: "put some saliva on it; that usually works for me."

They all chuckle.

A moment later, the phone rings. Sylvia goes to pick it up.

LINDA

(to Karen)

You're making this up.

(to Fred)

Don't believe a word she says.

SYLVIA

Girls. They need you.

EXT. MEMORIAL PARK - NIGHT

Rocksy pulls a tree off the ground and throws it toward the street. Big Ben stands nearby.

Rocksy turns to the statue. (We can't see the statue.)

ROCKSY

That's supposed to be the blonde?
I don't suppose she'll mind if I
have some fun with it.

Supergirl and Power Girl land nearby.

SUPERGIRL

As a matter of fact, I wouldn't
mind a bit if you were to destroy
that thing.

Rocksy turns around and sees both superheroines. She grins.

ROCKSY

Would you look at that, little
man? Two blondes have come to
play with me. Isn't that wonderful?

POWER GIRL

I'd like to say some really cool one-liner right now, but the truth is that I just want to beat the crap out of you for what you did to Dawnstar.

ROCKSY

Dawnstar? Which one was that? The stupid blonde from Arlentown? Or the worthless wimp from Verenit?

POWER GIRL

(to Supergirl)
May I?

SUPERGIRL

Knock yourself out.

ROCKSY

That would be my job.

Power Girl approaches Rocksy, looking cocky but alert. Rocksy presses the button on the Booster and energy bolts course through her body.

POWER GIRL

Sure, that's going to scare me.

Rocksy attacks. Power Girl easily evades the punch and lands a one-two combination that has no effect on Rocksy.

ROCKSY

(to Big Ben)
I love you, little man.

Power Girl attacks. She lands several punches and a couple of kicks, but Rocksy barely feels any of them.

SUPERGIRL

Need any help, sis?

POWER GIRL

Butt out. She's mine.

SUPERGIRL

If you say so.

The fight continues for a moment, with Power Girl landing all the punches, but doing no harm, then Rocksy catches Power Girl off-guard and lands a right jab on her chin.

Power Girl staggers back. Rocksy lands an uppercut on her stomach and Power Girl doubles over in pain. Then Rocksy kicks her and sends her flying into a wall.

Power Girl is in great pain. She tries to stand up but can't. Supergirl rushes to her.

SUPERGIRL

Are you okay?

POWER GIRL

Forget me, you dumbass, just beat the crap out of her.

Supergirl goes after Rocksy, who looks cockier than ever.

ROCKSY

I get to crush two blondes tonight. This is going to be the best day of my life.

Supergirl charges. She lands most of her punches but none of them have any effect on Rocksy. Supergirl aims a couple of blows in the direction of the Booster, but Rocksy blocks the attack.

Supergirl backs away a few feet. She needs to come up with a plan. She does.

She sends a right jab to Rocksy's face. Rocksy grabs the fist and squeezes it. Supergirl yells in pain. Rocksy enjoys it. Supergirl tries to pull her fist free but can't. Then she sends a left jab to Rocksy's face and she grabs it too. Then Rocksy squeezes both of Supergirl's fists and enjoys the pain she's causing.

Then Supergirl smiles. She knees the Booster, shattering it. Rocksy's energy goes away, she looks scared.

Supergirl easily breaks free of Rocksy's grip and grabs her by the wrists.

Power Girl stands up and walks to them. She looks a bit dazed by mostly okay.

POWER GIRL

Time for round two.

SUPERGIRL

(to Power Girl)

Yeah, NOW you wake up.

Supergirl looks at Big Ben, still standing a few feet away.

SUPERGIRL (CONT'D)

(to Power Girl)

Okay, you have fun with this one. I'll have a chat with the other one.

She pushes Rocksy toward Power Girl.

POWER GIRL

(to Rocksy)

So I hear you have a thing about blondes.

Rocksy tries to escape, but Power Girl catches her.

Supergirl walks to Big Ben. We follow her so we can't see the fight between Rocksy and Power Girl, but the noises make it clear Power Girl is winning quite easily.

Supergirl stands in front of Big Ben, trying to intimidate him. Then she goes down to one knee to talk to him at eye level.

BIG BEN

(angry)

Do you know how insulting and condescending it is that you have to go down on one knee to talk to me?

SUPERGIRL

Do you know how insulting and condescending it is that you think I don't know you're just pretending to be insulted so I don't beat you up?

Big Ben smiles.

BIG BEN

You're smart. I actually like you.

SUPERGIRL

I could notice by the way you helped my enemies get enough power to hurt me.

BIG BEN

What? The Energy Booster? I knew you could deal with that. I just wanted to get rid of that psychopath. She scares the hell out of me.

SUPERGIRL

Really? I'm supposed to buy that one.

BIG BEN

I don't care if you buy it or not. It's not like you can touch me.

SUPERGIRL

Wanna bet on that?

BIG BEN

And I thought you were smart.
This isn't me. It's a hologram.
I'm back in the mansion already.

Supergirl tries to touch Big Ben. Her hand goes through him.

BIG BEN (CONT'D)

I just wanted to talk to you.
Frank isn't the one you should be
worrying about. That redheaded
psycho was, but I got rid of her.
You can thank me later.

SUPERGIRL

Where is Frank?

BIG BEN

I'm not going to tell you that.
Just listen to me: leave the guy
alone for a while.

SUPERGIRL

He doesn't scare me.

BIG BEN

It's not about fear. Just let him
be, okay. Now I have to go.

Big Ben vanishes.

INT. LIVING ROOM - FRANK'S MANSION - NIGHT

Frank eats an Italian dinner. Stretch stands in a corner,
dressed like a butler.

Big Ben enters the room and sits next to Frank. He looks happy.

BIG BEN

(to Stretch)

Is there any more of that Italian
stuff left? I'm starving.

Stretch nods and walks out of the room.

Frank speaks with his normal voice.

FRANK

You look uncharacteristically
non-grumpy, my little friend.

BIG BEN

I got a weight off my shoulders
and I'm starting to like this
place. It kinda grows on you.

(MORE)

BIG BEN (CONT'D)

And the money isn't bad either.
You're actually a good boss. For
a weird mafia nutcase with a
Fonzie fixation.

FRANK

(beat)

Were you planning to tell me that
you got my Rocky arrested?

BIG BEN

You're a psychic. I figured you
already knew that. It's not like
you love her or anything, right?

FRANK

I didn't love her, I was just
using her. But I don't appreciate
you getting my lady arrested
without even consulting me.

BIG BEN

You knew I was planning that. I
figure if you didn't want me to
do it, you would've told me.

FRANK

You figure many things, little man.

BIG BEN

Was I wrong about it?

FRANK

(beat, then smiles)

No. Rocky was too unstable. Very
hard to control. And not terribly
bright either. She wasn't useful
anymore. Not now that I have
Supergirl.

BIG BEN

By the way, I have good news. I
found out Supergirl's secret
identity. I put a bug on her
while she was distracted.

FRANK

She's Linda Danvers. Half the
town knows. It's like the worst-
kept secret in history.

BIG BEN

You knew?

FRANK

You didn't think I spent five minutes inside her mind and didn't fish for any information, did you?

Stretch comes back with the food. Big Ben starts to eat it.

BIG BEN

You're a really weird man, Frank.

FRANK

(as Fonzie)

Correct-a-mondo.

EXT. BACKYARD - DANVERS HOME - AFTERNOON

Supergirl and Power Girl sit on the ground.

POWER GIRL

... and then the guy with the gigantic nose turns to me and says: "kiss your ass good-bye, Power Girl." And I'm like: "what are you going to do, Cyrano? Sneeze me to death?" I mean, the guy had already thrown everything but the kitchen sink at me and he couldn't even erase the smile off my face.

SUPERGIRL

Some villains are so stupid.

POWER GIRL

But that's not the worst part. The worst part was that he starts to cry because I called him Cyrano.

SUPERGIRL

You're kidding me.

POWER GIRL

I wish. It turned out that he became a villain because everyone made fun of his nose. How pathetic.

SUPERGIRL

(beat)

You're running out of good stories, aren't you?

POWER GIRL

Yeah. Pretty much.

They chuckle.

POWER GIRL (CONT'D)

Damn, it was good to see you again, sis.

SUPERGIRL

Thanks for the help.

POWER GIRL

Bah. I didn't help you. You did it all yourself.

SUPERGIRL

Don't say that. You gave me lots of moral support. That counts.

POWER GIRL

Leave the comedy to the pros, okay.

SUPERGIRL

Seriously, if you hadn't attacked Rocksy first and failed so miserably, I'd never had taken her seriously and she would've creamed me.

POWER GIRL

It's so good to know that my pain wasn't in vain.

Power Girl stands up.

SUPERGIRL

What? Are you gonna go now?

POWER GIRL

You don't need me here. I'll stay tonight to say good-bye to your mom and dad, and go back home in the morning.

(beat)

But there's something I have to do first.

Power Girl drops into a fighting stance.

POWER GIRL (CONT'D)

Come on, sis.

SUPERGIRL

Excuse me? You want to fight? Are you crazy?

POWER GIRL

Come on, don't make me start without you.

SUPERGIRL

You're serious?

POWER GIRL

Let's get one thing straight, okay. You're my best friend ever and if I'm a reasonable well-rounded person instead of some wacko vigilante it's because of all you did for me when we were kids and I appreciate it. But I have to tell you -- I've always been jealous of you. You have the better parents, the better house. You're smarter and much more famous. You've saved the world more times than I've saved myself. There was just one thing I had over you. I was the better fighter. I taught you everything you know about fighting. And then you took that away from me. I want it back.

SUPERGIRL

Damn, PG, you got knocked around by Rocksy and now you turn into a twelve-year-old boy again. Forget it, I'm not fighting you.

POWER GIRL

Linda, if you don't get off your ass in the next ten seconds and give me a real fight, I swear I'm never going to speak to you again.

SUPERGIRL

(worried)

You don't mean that, right?

POWER GIRL

10... 9... 8...

Supergirl jumps off the ground, looking worried and a bit scared.

SUPERGIRL

Okay, stop that. I promise that before the end of the day I'll fight you, but listen to me for a moment. Don't do anything stupid.

POWER GIRL

(frowns)

Geez, you actually thought I wasn't going to speak to you again? You ARE a dork.

SUPERGIRL

Silly me, I keep forgetting you never keep your promises.

POWER GIRL

(smiles)

But you do, and you just promised to fight me.

SUPERGIRL

You really want to fight me? A REAL fight?

POWER GIRL

Yep.

SUPERGIRL

Just because you're jealous of me?

POWER GIRL

Don't try to talk your way out of it. You made a promise.

SUPERGIRL

Think about it. We're not kids anymore. And we're both pretty banged up as it is. If we fought for real we'd send each other to the hospital for a month.

POWER GIRL

(beat, thinks)

You got a point there. Any suggestions?

SUPERGIRL

How about not fighting?

POWER GIRL

Any good suggestions?

SUPERGIRL

What about just sparring? No real punches. We prove who's the better fighter without harming each other. I could use the practice too. Good enough for you?

POWER GIRL

(beat)

We always have to do everything
your way. It's so annoying.

Supergirl drops into a fighting stance. They begin to circle each other. They're both smiling. They look like puppies playing.

SUPERGIRL

It's not my fault that my way is
always the best way.

POWER GIRL

You're so full of it.

FADE OUT.

THE END