

**IT'S MY PARTY 1 - 1**

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PAT

Get up. Let's go.

LESLIE

No.

PAT

Come on. We're supposed to be at the restaurant in ten minutes. You're not even dressed yet. Move it.

LESLIE

I'm not going.

PAT

It's your party. You have to go.

LESLIE

I don't 'have' to do anything.

PAT

It's your birthday. All of your friends will be there!

LESLIE

What if no-one shows up?

PAT

What are you talking about?

LESLIE

What if you threw a party for me and all of my so-called friends were invited and not one of them showed up. What would happen?

PAT

That's not going to happen.

LESLIE

'Cause I'm not going. It's my party and I'll skip it if I want to.

PAT

That's not the way the song goes.

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LESLIE

"Skip it" or "cry" - who cares.

PAT

Is this because you're turning thirty?

LESLIE

My age has nothing to do with this.

PAT

So you're thirty. So what? I'm thirty-two and I'm fine. You have nothing to mope about. You're just a youngster.

LESLIE

I'm not a youngster. You have a great job, great marriage, two great kids, and a great house with a great white picket fence around it. What have I got?

PAT

You have me. The best friend money can buy.

LESLIE

Thirty! You're supposed to be on your way by thirty. I'm single, renting this dump, no kids - but, oh yeah, I can make you a great Grande Cappuccino!

PAT

Well, that's something positive.

LESLIE

Positive? I make coffee for a living. If I stick with it I could manage a Starbucks in another fifty years.

PAT

I know, I'll get you a year's supply of Prozac for your birthday.

LESLIE

I don't need drugs. I want to spend my birthday alone.

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PAT

You're depressed. You need to get out and breathe fresh air.

LESLIE

Thank you, Dr. Freud, I appreciate you taking me on at such short notice.

PAT

Get dressed. You're going to this party.

LESLIE

I'm not going.

PAT

You're going, even if I have to drag you there.

LESLIE

You wouldn't dare.

PAT

Try me.

LESLIE

Why are you doing this?

PAT

'Cause I'm your best friend and this is what best friends do.

LESLIE

Oh yeah. Forcing me to go to some restaurant, which, by the way, I hate. And then I'm supposed to sit there and be all smiley faced. Thanks, best friend.

PAT

I thought you liked Louie's. You said it was a great place.

LESLIE

I was being sarcastic. I hate Louie's. The food sucks, the service is bad and the prices are ridiculous.

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PAT

All the signs of a popular and trendy eatery.

LESLIE

All the more reason for not going.

PAT

"Cause you're turning thirty.

LESLIE

No, because I hate Louie's.

PAT

I thought you weren't going because you thought nobody would show up.

LESLIE

That too.

PAT

Quit making excuses, get dressed, come to Louie's, smile and pretend you're enjoying yourself.

LESLIE

Why should I?

PAT

Because it's your birthday. Okay, so you're thirty. At least you're not forty.

LESLIE

Great. I can be thankful for that. Okay. Fine. I'll be ready in a few minutes. Let's be fashionably late, shall we?