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HENRIETTA

It was when you were building that airplane in the attic, remember?

DAISY VIOLET

Pirateship

JOSEPHINE

No, it was an airplane

DAISY VIOLET

It was a pirateship

JOSEPHINE

I'm pretty sure it was an airplane, Daisy.

DAISY VIOLET

No, I was making a pirateship. Maybe it looked like an airplane but wasn't one.

JOSEPHINE

Well if it looked like an airplane then it was an airplane.

DAISY VIOLET

Pirateships aren't dependent on your validation, so.

HENRIETTA

And we sprayed all those products around the attic, and we got them from –

DAISY VIOLET

Josephine's closet was full of perfume and shampoo and conditioning oils and scrubs.

HENRIETTA

What?

JOSEPHINE

Wait.

DAISY VIOLET

One afternoon we were bored, and we raided her cabinets.

HENRIETTA

No, that's not

DAISY VIOLET

Chemical rainforest peach-blossom avalanche

JOSEPHINE

Oh my god

HENRIETTA

Wait wait wait

JOSEPHINE

You guys were the ones who stole all my stuff!

HENRIETTA

What are you talking about?

JOSEPHINE

Yeah cause Mom died and I like took all her stuff out of their bathroom and like hid it in my closet. All her like face cream and I don't know argan oil, perfume...

She had like twelve kinds of lotion

I took everything, even her razors and her eye drops and her tweezers

I was just trying to capture something you know? Like what was left of her.

Her smell

Things she had touched

And for months at night I would open one of the bottles and breathe it in before I went to sleep

There was this rosewater she used to put in her hair

I thought if I could just make it last

this sounds crazy now

But I thought as long as I had the smells, she'd still kind of be there

And then one day I got home

and I opened my closet

and they were gone

everything

all of it

And I thought

I was so embarrassed cause I thought Dad found them and I thought he must think I'm

like morbid or disturbed or something and he threw them away

and I never said anything

but then it felt like she was really gone.

DAISY VIOLET

Josephine

HENRIETTA

You're saying

JOSEPHINE

And it wasn't Dad, it was you guys?!