BLUE IS THE WARMEST COLOR

Lesbian bar in France.

EMMA (to Adele) Are you okay?

WOMAN AT BAR

Yeah.

EMMA Talking to my cousin?

WOMAN AT BAR Your cousin? Okay, can I go?

EMMA

Be my guest. (to bartender) Sophia, strawberry milk, please. (to Adele) Why are you here all alone?

ADELE I don't know. I came in here by chance.

EMMA By chance. You're drinking a Bulldog. Bull dyke beer.

ADELE I had no idea.

EMMA Sure is. Taste this.

Adele tastes it.

EMMA (CONT'D) So? You like it?

ADELE Honestly? You won't be upset?

EMMA No, go ahead.

ADELE

It's gross.

EMMA I love it. Your type is rare here. ADELE What's my type? EMMA Your type. I don't know, underage, hanging out in bars at night. ADELE How do you know I'm underage? EMMA I can just tell. Or else a straight girl who's a little curious. ADELE Like I said, I came in here by chance. EMMA No such thing as chance. ADELE Think so? EMMA What's your name? ADELE Adele. EMMA Adele. Pretty name, Adele. Adele means something in Arabic. I think it means sun. Hope? Love? ADELE It means justice. EMMA I was close. ADELE Sun. What's your name? EMMA My name's Emma. ADELE What do you do?

EMMA What do you think?

ADELE Hairdresser?

EMMA Fourth year of Fine Arts.

ADELE Fine Arts? You like it?

EMMA

Yeah, I do.

ADELE Why is it called Fine Arts. Are there arts that are ugly?

EMMA

No ugly arts. I mean, some can be ugly. But it's subjective. Because there are also Decorative Arts, Applied Arts. There's no Ugly Arts school.

ADELE

Why not?

EMMA

That's a good point. At the time of the Impressionists, everyone who was rejected from the Salon for beautiful paintings and everyone who was considered "ugly" went to the Salon of the Ugly. Sort of the Salon of the Ugly. The best artists. You like painting?

ADELE

I don't know much, but I like it.

EMMA

What do you know?

ADELE

Picasso. And Picasso.

EMMA

You already know-

ADELE

Picasso.

EMMA

Okay, what do you do, Adele?

ADELE I'm in school.

EMMA Oh yeah? What are you studying?

ADELE

Literature. I haven't graduated yet. I'm in high school. I'm doing French lit.

EMMA

Okay, I see. What's your favorite subject?

ADELE

Depends on the teacher. If the teacher inspires me, I like it all. I find it interesting. It's a problem because my notes can vary. They can drop from 15 to 4 in a year.

EMMA From 15 to 4? With you it's all or nothing.

ADELE But they don't vary in French because I love to read. And languages too. Because in fact I love English.

EMMA I'm lousy at English.

ADELE

Really?

EMMA Yeah. It's something I'd really like to. I should take English classes. My accent is shit. It's horrible.

ADELE I'm really good.

EMMA Really? Lucky you. ADELE

And since I love American movies, now I can see movies without subtitles. It helps me.

EMMA

What was that?

ADELE

I can't remember.

EMMA

Say it.

ADELE I love American movies.

EMMA

Like what?

ADELE I love it all. Scorsese, Kubrick..

WOMAN AT BAR 2 Heh honey, what you up to?

EMMA You don't say hi to my cousin?