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REGINA: THE SCHOOL'S TERROR

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Girls were born to gossip. Jenny is going out with Derek. Chad cheated on Regina. Alice is flirting with Connor. Mandy doesn't have a date for St. Valentine's Day. Sarah didn't invite Becky to her party.

They never get tired of talking about other people's lives and they find it very interesting. There is always someone spreading a rumor, you can hear whispers in any corner of the school. But of course, it is totally forbidden to gossip about Regina and her sidekicks. They are the type of girls that think they can control the whole world, they always get what they want, and if you provoke them they could ruin your life. They can pretend to be your friends just to investigate your most private secrets and then, tell them to the entire galaxy. But even if you don't bother them, they will make fun of you anyways.

My name is Emily and I am a girl, too. But unlike the other girls in this school, I am not a gossip girl. I like to keep a certain distance between me and Regina's group, they are not the type of friends that I would like to have.

There is no chance that you have been in my school and you haven't been a victim of Regina and her friends.



Last year, 2 weeks before the graduation party, I received a letter from James, the most popular, handsome and amazing guy in the school. He was asking me to be his date at the party. I was very surprised because he had never talked to me, I thought he didn't even know my name. But I felt like the luckiest girl on Earth, he was interested in me! So, for the first time in my life, I spread the rumor that James had asked me on a date, he liked me and I liked him. I decided to look for the most beautiful dress because that night I was going to be in the spotlight and the most envied girl. Two days before the party, I received another letter from James, it said: "Meet me at 10:00 pm at the entrance of the school". I was completely sure that James was also very excited to be my date.



The day of the grad party I groomed myself, put on my beautiful dress and wore a special perfume. My brother took me to the school in his car, and when we arrived, I was so nervous that my body was shaking. I felt very pretty and everybody was staring at me. I walked slowly towards the entrance of the school where I was supposed to meet my prince charming. But instead of James, Regina and her sidekicks were waiting for me with water balloons in their hands. They threw the balloons at me and I ended up totally wet, my make up was ruined and I burst into tears. James and the whole school was laughing at me and taking pictures.

Be aware of Regina if you meet her, she can't be trusted.