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What To Do When Loraine Inevitably Catches You Kissing Bianca
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1. Tell Loraine you were practicing with Bianca so that you will know what you're doing when you kiss a boy. Assure her there was no tongue and that you didn't like it. Bonus points if you can convince her you have a real live boy crush (might I suggest Jack from P.E.) for whom you're specifically practicing. Extra bonus points if he's Catholic and has never touched a cigarette, like Jack. Never mind the Docs in your closet, the septum ring in your nose, and your short fingernails. Those aren't important.

Success Rate: 7/10

2. Blame the interaction on Bianca. Say she came on to you and that you were too startled to move. This plan only works if you don't care much for the girl in question, because it is certain Loraine will ban you from ever seeing her again and her parents will likely receive an angry phone call. Which means this won't work at all because I know you've already contemplated marriage or at the very least U-Hauling with Bianca. In fact I'm pretty sure the subject of marriage came up five times just in the last week. At least promise me I can be the maid of honor.

Success Rate: 2/10

3. Gaslight Loraine like there is no tomorrow. Convince her that she imagined the whole thing. You were simply leaning over to grab something. Bianca is your Very Good Friend who has a Very Good Boyfriend and she is 100% straight. I know this one hurts because it's true, sorry. For the record I think Jared is a piece of garbage who totally doesn't know where the *you know what* is. This will only work if you and Bianca commit to the bit until the day you die and Loraine is in a good mood. Which would be a miracle in and of itself.

Success Rate: 4/10

4. Confess to Loraine that you are in fact one of the devilish gays that she has feared her entire life. Run away from home. Run away with Bianca. Build a white picket fence and forget you ever had a mom (but please don't forget me).

Success Rate: 5/10

5. Act drunk or high out of your mind to the point where you didn't even know who you were kissing. Loraine is sure to still give you a substantial grounding sentence, but at least you have a better chance of being allowed to stay at home. Success rate depends on the timing and location you are caught in. No one would believe you had time to get drunk five minutes after church in your car (you were wild for this one, sorry). A sleepover situation is another story.

Success Rate: 5/10

6. Kill Loraine and hide the body. You and Bianca can be happy and no one has to know. Bonus points since Loraine is kind of a horrible person anyways. The world will thank you. I will thank you.

Success Rate: 5/10

7. Convince Loraine you have been possessed by the devil and that's why you kissed Bianca. Agree to receive an exorcism from the local town priest (shoutout to Father Rich) and then when the demon is gone, cry in Loraine's arms about how grateful you are for her. Lay it on thick. She will love this one.

Success Rate: 8/10

8. At some point Loraine will suggest conversion therapy or some similar mental illness treatment so suggest it yourself. Tell her you want to change and are willing to do anything. There will likely be other hot girls at the conversion therapy program, so this situation might actually benefit you. Or you may endure dehumanizing levels of trauma. It's hard to say. Oh, and Bianca will totally have succumbed to hetero norms and have married Jared by the time you're out. So there's that.

Success Rate for Pleasing Loraine: 9/10

Success Rate for Your Mental Health: -1/10

9. Quickly draw a Sharpie mustache and beard on Bianca's face and say she's been a boy the whole time. You can even stuff a small water bottle in her pants to make it more convincing. This only works if Bianca is wearing boy clothes. Otherwise it will just lead to more problems and Loraine may actually have a heart attack right there and pass away. Or she'll get the handgun from the safe. Depends on her mood.

Success Rate: 5/10

10. Ask Loraine about that one really close girl friend she had in college. You know, Kim, the one she did everything with and always talks about. I mean, even I've heard way too much about Kim for any sort of hetero explanation. Ask Loraine if she thinks Kim's pretty. Or if she's ever looked at Kim's ass before. She will probably be flustered and you will gain the upper hand. I will forever stand on the hill that Loraine is really just a sad, closeted gay who's homophobic out of spite because she's gotten nothing but four inch dick her whole life. Apologies to your dad, but sometimes you just know.

Success Rate: 8/10