

A script from



## “Vines University: Old and New”

Script 2

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- What** Join Ivy as she steps foot on the VU campus for the first time and meets her lively roommate! Eager for a quiet start to the year, Ivy quickly realizes VU may not be what she was expecting. Mandy helps Ivy understand that although we need to remember where we came from and the work God has previously done in our lives, it's good to embrace new and exciting God-given opportunities.  
**Themes:** Abiding in Christ, Growing, Rooted in Christ, Children's Drama
- Who** English Ivy "Ivy"  
Mandeville "Mandy"  
Climbing Hydrangea
- When** Modern Day
- Wear (Props)** Beds  
Suitcases  
Picture Frame  
Pom Poms  
Posters  
Anything that would be hanging in a girl's room
- Why** Joshua 4:1-9 One way we can learn to grow is to follow in the footsteps of the faithful believers that have gone before us. Before we decisively put down new roots and move forward, it is good to remember what has brought us to this point.
- How** Dorm room - This should be set like a normal college dorm room with two beds, preferably at least one desk, and anything else that would make up a freshman girl's dorm.
- Time** Approximately 5 minutes

*Ivy enters with a small suitcase.*

**Ivy:** *(excited, but cautious)* Room 219. Here it is. My college dorm room.

*She looks around and puts her bags down.*

*Mandy enters with three suitcases.*

**Mandy:** *(dramatically)* Room 219. Here it is! My college dorm room!

*Mandy spins around and puts her bags down.*

**Mandy:** *(to Ivy)* And here you are...my college roommate.

**Ivy:** Actually—

**Mandy:** We're going to be best of friends! We're gonna laugh and cry and stay up all night talking about all kinds of things. We'll probably be in each other's weddings and have kids at the same time, and I'm sure our grandkids will be best friends. It's so good to finally meet you!

**Ivy:** I think there's been a mistake. I'm not your roommate.

*Hydrangea enters.*

**Hydra:** Hi.

**Mandy:** Oh. Sorry! *(To Hydrangea. Clearly this speech has been rehearsed.)*

We're going to be best of friends! We're gonna laugh and cry and stay up all night talking about all kinds of things. We'll probably be in each other's weddings and have kids at the same time, and I'm sure our grandkids will be best friends. It's so good to finally meet you!

**Hydrangea:** I was just wondering if either of you knew how to get to the cafeteria.

**Mandy:** Where are your bags?

**Hydra:** In my room. I'll be living next door.

**Mandy:** Wait. I'm confused. Which one of you is going to be my best friend?

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** Which one of you is my college roommate?

**Ivy:** There must be some mistake. I asked for a single room.

**Mandy:** Oh! I got a single room too. But I was so devastated that I called the Dean and asked if there was anyone else who had been put in a single that he could change to a double with me.

**Ivy:** But—

**Mandy:** No, need to thank me. Who wants to be in a single room in college! I'm Mandy, part of the Mandeville family. We've been coming to Vine University for generations and generations. Our roots are literally rooted here. Ha!

*She spins around the room.*

**Mandy:** So, this is it. What a great space. The place we'll learn, study, and become inseparable.

*Pause.*

*Hydrangea and Ivy just look at each other.*

**Hydra:** I think I can find the cafe on my own. I'll see you guys at dinner.

*Hydrangea exits.*

**Mandy:** So, I think I've already told you all about me. I'm Mandy, 16th generation Mandeville to come to Vine. I'm from California. And my favorite color is pink!

*Mandy dramatically sits on the bed, waiting for Ivy to speak.*

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** What's your name?

**Ivy:** Ivy.

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** Where are you from?

**Ivy:** England. I'm part of the English Ivy family.

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** *(trying to get Ivy to talk more)* And how many generations of your family have come to VU?

**Ivy:** Actually, I'm the first.

**Mandy:** The first what? First girl? First granddaughter?

**Ivy:** No. Just the first. The first English Ivy to ever attend Vine University.

**Mandy:** Oh.

*Ivy begins to unpack.*

*Mandy starts to unpack but notices Ivy's pictures.*

**Mandy:** *(referring to picture that Ivy has unpacked)* Is this your family?

*Ivy picks up the picture and shows it to Mandy.*

**Ivy:** Yeah. That's my house and my mom and dad and sister. I wanted to bring something with me to remind me of home. I know that we're here to put down new roots, to learn how to grow, but I just needed something to remind me of what's brought me to this point.

**Mandy:** It's good to remember where you came from.

*Mandy pulls pom-poms out of her suitcase.*

**Mandy:** I brought my mom's pink pom-poms. Want to hear my new cheer? I just came up with it on my way here.

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** *(rethinking what she just said)* New cheer. Just came up with it on my way here. That rhymed! I'm so good at this.

*Mandy strikes a cheer position.*

**Mandy:** Go green!

*She punches her right hand up.*

**Mandy:** Go white!

*She punches her left hand up.*

**Mandy:** Come on Vine—

*Both hands come down to her side.*

**Mandy:** Fight! Fight! Score!

*She kicks her leg.*

**Ivy:** Don't you mean, fight, fight, fight?

**Mandy:** *(mumbling to herself as she reviews the cheer)* Go green. Go white. Come on team, fight, fight, fight. *(To Ivy)* You're really good at this too!

**Ivy:** Thanks.

**Mandy:** Are you a cheerleader?

**Ivy:** No.

**Mandy:** Do you like pink?

**Ivy:** It's not my favorite.

*Pause.*

**Mandy:** And you didn't really want a roommate, did you?

**Ivy:** I didn't.

**Mandy:** We don't have anything in common.

**Ivy:** Sorry.

*Pause.*

*Mandy, deflated, puts her pom-poms back in her suitcase.*

**Mandy:** Listen, I'm sorry I made you be my roommate. We can call the Dean in the morning and switch you back to your old single room.

**Ivy:** Well—

**Mandy:** I don't know what I was thinking.

**Ivy:** I—

**Mandy:** We're completely different. This would never work.

**Ivy:** I don't know about that. *(Picking up the pom-poms)* We don't really have anything in common, but I guess that means we could learn a lot from each other.

**Mandy:** You think so?

**Ivy:** Yeah. I think I could get use to a roommate.

**Mandy:** 219 is a great space.

**Ivy:** Maybe this is a great place to make some new memories and put down some new roots.

**Mandy:** That would be fun. I could even teach you a few things about cheerleading if you want.

**Ivy:** Maybe.

**Mandy:** I spent all summer writing new cheers for Vine. Listen to this one.

*As she recites the cheer she also performs it with various 'cheerleading' moves.*

**Mandy:** Cornucopia, that's our mascot, we're the team that wins a whole lot.

**Ivy:** Wow. That's really—

**Mandy:** Great! Right?

**Ivy:** *(not sure what to say)* Yeah.

**Mandy:** We're going to have the best time.

**Ivy:** *(starting to be convinced)* Yeah. I think we will.

*Girls continue to unpack.*

*Lights down.*

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