

EXT. OHIO STATE FOOTBALL FIELD BLEACHERS - 1963 - NIGHT

The blue and green, crowd-filled, stadium buzzes with anticipation.

FOOTBALL ANNOUNCER 1 (V.O.)  
Yes siree bob, we're gearing up for  
an exciting one tonight folks! Here  
we gooooo!

The stadium jumps to their feet as the band plays the school song.

FOOTBALL ANNOUNCER 2 (V.O.)  
Your right! We've had some trouble  
this season, but it's gonna be a  
great game tonight if we can hold  
them in the fourth. We have two  
injured red shirts on our Defense,  
but thanks to Johnny Jamison, our  
star quarterback, we might have the  
points we need to take the  
championship again! Let's hope  
Johnny doesn't get hurt or we're in  
trouble.

By the gate leading onto the field, several beautiful cheerleaders wave a huge banner that hides the players from the crowd, Behind it, amongst several other players in green and blue, JOHNNY JAMISON, a twenty-year-old, well-built, six-foot-one, hunk, sits his helmet down and stretches his calves.

FOOTBALL PLAYER (O.S.)  
Yeah don't get hurt Johnny,  
whatever ya do!

CHEERLEADER (O.S.)  
We don't want you to get hurt  
Johnny.

Johnny looks past the players, past the cheerleaders, and peers out into the crowd. He focuses on a cute, bubbly blonde. SUSIE REYNARD, just a smidge over 5 feet tall, bounces in the bleachers, outshining everyone around her. Johnny waves excitedly. They both have perfect, happy smiles. The marching band plays the school fight song again. The team bursts through the banner and files onto the field. The crowd goes wild. Johnny keeps on waving at Susie.

FOOTBALL ANNOUNCER (V.O.)  
And our star quarterback - Johnny  
Jamison!

The crowd and the cheerleaders go wild. Johnny runs by in his number 7 jersey. DANIELLA DAVIDSON, a cute, five-foot-six brunette in peddle pushers and a lavender sweater sits on the bleacher beside Susie.

SUSIE  
Dee-Dee stand up and yell.

The cheerleaders do cartwheels and aerials. Dee-Dee gets up and claps.

SUSIE (CONT'D)  
I just love the excitement!

SERIES OF SHOTS: A SUPER FUN FOOTBALL GAME STARRING JOHNNY

1. Johnny throws a short touchdown. The crowd goes wild. Johnny struts.

2. Johnny runs one in for another touchdown. Susie and Dee-Dee cheer.

3. Johnny gets tackled hard. Susie bites her nails. Johnny gets up. She cheers.

4. Johnny throws a winning touchdown. The girls lose their popcorn cheering.

The cheerleaders go wild. Pom poms go crazy everywhere. Susie gets tired and sits down. The crowd continues to jump up and down and cheer around her.

SUSAN REYNARD (V.O.)  
Everybody was wild for Johnny.  
Seems like everybody was just  
wild... except for me.

EXT. OHIO STATE FOOTBALL STADIUM PARKING LOT - 1963 - NIGHT

Tommy and Dee-Dee chat by the red corvette in the grass lot. Susie sneezes.

JOHNNY  
You're not getting sick are you  
Susie Q?

SUSIE

Just tired Johnny. Exams and all.  
Aren't you after all that running  
up and down the field?

JOHNNY

Me? Naw! I'm energized! Hey, did  
you see that 60 yard touchdown pass  
in the 4th quarter?

SUSIE

Oh yeah. How could I miss it? All  
the cheerleaders went wild.

Susie looks down at the ground. Johnny gently raises her chin  
with one finger and looks deep into her eyes. She slowly  
looks up at him.

JOHNNY

Not jealous are you shortcake?

Susie jerks away and tries to keep Johnny from seeing her  
pout.

SUSIE

Me? Jealous? Not one bit Johnny  
Freeman. I'm the best thing you  
ever had and I know it. I'm not  
jealous. I'm not. Not one bit.

Susie turns back to Johnny and looks at the ground. Johnny  
smiles real big.

SUSIE (CONT'D)

OK... maybe just a little bit.

Johnny puts his arms around Susie and picks her up.

JOHNNY

Come here little bit.

He swings her around until she can't stop laughing. They both  
end up on the ground giggling. Susie lies on top of Johnny.  
She props up to see him better.

JOHNNY (CONT'D)

I'm thinking of only one thing out  
there on that field Susie Reynard.  
You. Don't you forget it.

TOMMY

Hey guys, lets head over to the  
Golden Nugget and celebrate!

DEE-DEE  
Woo hoo! Let's do it!

Johnny hops up. Susie hesitates. She smiles shyly at Johnny.

SUSIE  
I'm kinda pooped for one night  
guys. It's late and I think I'm  
just gonna turn in.

JOHNNY  
What? Not gonna toast the star  
quarterback on the last game before  
Break?

SUSIE  
You go on ahead Johnny. Don't worry  
about me. Besides I have a World  
History exam on Monday. I haven't  
studied at all.

DEE-DEE  
Susie! Don't be a lumpy head!  
You're gonna wake up one day and  
your life has slipped away and  
you're not gonna have one thing to  
show for it.

SUSIE  
Not true Dee-Dee. See you back at  
the dorm.

Susie walks back towards the dorm. They leave in the  
studebaker.

SUSAN REYNARD (V.O.)  
It felt like life was closing in on  
me. I just needed to get away from  
it all. The stress was about to get  
the best of me.

INT. COLLEGE CLASSROOM - 1963 - DAY

In a classroom full of college students, Susie, in a  
conservative dress and Dee-Dee take exams beside each other.

SUSAN REYNARD (V.O.)  
I was so shy. Dee-Dee was a real  
pistol though. Ahead of her time  
really. I just loved swapping  
clothes with her. She was very mod,  
hot with the boys and always  
getting me in trouble.

PROFESSOR WALKER a forty-ish slim, balding man in a tan sweater vest and glasses sees Dee-Dee look over at Susie's paper. He bolts over to Susie's desk.

PROFESSOR WALKER  
Someone having trouble with the exam? Question Daniella? Miss Reynard?

DEE-DEE  
Call me Dee-Dee. I was just asking Susie if she had an extra pencil. Mine broke.

Dee-Dee slips her pencil under her desk, breaks her point and shows it to Professor Walker. He scoffs and hands her his pencil.

PROFESSOR WALKER  
I want that back. I've got my eye on you two.

He turns to Dee-Dee and shakes his finger at her.

PROFESSOR WALKER (CONT'D)  
And no more pants young lady.

Professor Walker eyes Susie as he walks away. Dee-Dee sticks out her tongue behind his back. Several students giggle. He turns back and points at Susie. Susie blushes. The bells rings. Everyone scurries to turn in their papers.

SUSAN REYNARD (V.O.)  
I guess I got off to a bad start. I knew there was more to life than geometry and physics.

EXT. OHIO STATE CAMPUS SQUARE - 1963 - DAY

Susie and Dee-Dee bolt out of the tree-lined brick building. Susie has a stack of books. Dee-Dee only has one. Students fill the courtyard square. Dee-Dee puts professor Walker's pencil in her hair like a trophy and lights up a cigarette.

SUSIE  
Women should be able to wear pants whenever we want to. And we should be making the same wages men make. We do the same work. We should get the same pay.

DEE-DEE

I don't care what he says, I am going to wear pants if I feel like it. He can't kick me out of school for it... can he?

SUSIE

I'm sick of school already. I wish I was rich. I would just quit school and live the good life.

Susie and Dee-Dee walk past a group of girls with signs throwing their bras in a trash can. Dee-Dee nonchalantly drops her cigarette in the trash can.

DEE-DEE

Things will get better for us Susie. It's just our first semester. Give it some time. You'll adjust. Besides, I think you're doing pretty well with the fellas. Speaking of...

Two jocks run up and join them. TOMMY LAROCK, a short, stocky, clean-cut frat boy in a white baseball cap and blue-jean jacket runs up beside Dee-Dee. JOHNNY JAMISON, a tall, athletic, crew-cut, blue-eyed, square-jawed dream boat in a number 7 football jersey catches up to walk beside Susie.

TOMMY

Hey Dee-Dee. What's shakin'? You coming to the Golden Nugget tonight? It's the last dance before Spring Break. Everybody's going.

JOHNNY

All the cool peeps anyway.

TOMMY

Yeah us! He-he.

Tommy stops to strike his best cool pose and steps in chewing gum. The others walk ahead. He tries repeatedly to wipe it off as he runs to catch up.

DEE-DEE

Oh yeah, wouldn't miss it for the world Tommy baby. Right Susie? Susie?

The crowd behind them cheers. Susie stops to look back at the trash can full of bras, now in full blaze.

SUSIE

Umm... yep. Wouldn't miss it ...

DEE-DEE

We won't miss it!

INT. GOLDEN NUGGET DANCE HALL - 1963 - NIGHT

Susie and Dee-Dee appear in the doorway in their fancy dresses. There are several cat calls from the crowd. Johnny and Tommy, slicked back in sharp suits, white socks and shiny black shoes, run up to the girls.

TOMMY

You missed it! We just had Gibsons!

DEE-DEE

Who? That's OK Tommy. Wow! You clean up pretty good. What do ya say we lose the tie?

They all laugh as he takes the tie off. The music changes to a peppier tune. They rush out to dance. Johnny and Susie slip over to the bar.

JOHNNY

Wanna beer Susie?

SUSIE

No and you don't need one either Johnny. Big game tomorrow right? Do you smell onions?

Johnny holds one hand over his mouth and holds up two fingers and points to Susie and himself. The bartender nods back at him.

JOHNNY

Coach says we should get lots of sleep tonight... but not if I can help it.

SUSIE

Oh Johnny. You better focus on the game. We can have fun later. Besides, you know I'm a virgin and plan to stay that way til I'm married.

Johnny fidgets on his bar stool. The bartender places two sodas on the bar.

BARTENDER  
 You're getting married?  
 Congratulations!

JOHNNY  
 No! Hell no!

Susie cuts him the eye. Johnny changes his tune.

JOHNNY (CONT'D)  
 Not right away anyway. One day. To  
 this beautiful young lady. She's  
 different from all the other girls.

Johnny moves in to kiss Susie on the lips. She turns her  
 cheek just in time. Johnny's eyes pop open. Susie sniffs and  
 takes a sip of her soda.

FADE TO:

EXT. COLLEGE CLASSROOM - 1963 - DAY

Susie and Dee-Dee walk out of class. Susie looks frightfully  
 discouraged. Dee-Dee looks like she couldn't care less. She  
 lights a cigarette.

SUSIE  
 I think I might have failed Dee-  
 Dee. What did you get for #7?

DEE-DEE  
 Who cares Susie. I know I failed.  
 Its too late to worry now.

SUSIE  
 Yeah, I guess you're right. The  
 damage has been done.

DEE-DEE  
 So what are you doing for Spring  
 Break?

SUSIE  
 I hope my parents are still  
 planning on taking me with them on  
 the cruise to France.

DEE-DEE  
 Cruise? Wow! That sounds fabby  
 Susie! Wish I could go! I would  
 love to see the world!

SUSIE

Hey! Why don't you call your parents and see if they will let you come along? I'm sure my parents won't mind. What do ya say?

DEE-DEE

Oh my parents will never go for that.

SUSIE

Spring Break is the perfect time to see Paris. You always say you want to see the world. Just say its to study abroad... with school. It's worth a try. What have you got to lose?

DEE-DEE

With my luck they're never going to buy it.

The girls run off towards the dorms.

INT. COLLEGE DORM HALL - 1963 - DAY

Dee-Dee hangs up the pay phone in the hall and squeals.

DEE-DEE

Holy Cow! They bought it! Hook line and sinker! They said as long as we have chaperones... We're going to France Dee-Dee! Bon Voyage Ohio State!!

They grab each other and dance around in a circle singing "Frere Jaques".

SUSAN REYNARD (V.O.)

Yes. This was my chance to see the world. And poor Johnny was sure he was never going to see me again.

EXT. BUS STATION PARKING LOT - 1963 - DAY

Several people wait with luggage. A big blue bus pulls away from the station. Dee-Dee runs over and jumps in Tommy's arms. Tommy swings her around in a circle. Johnny leans on the studebaker. Susie walks over. Johnny sighs.

SUSIE

Why the long face JJ?

JOHNNY

You know Susie. I wanted to spend Spring Break with you. Now you're going off to Paris.

SUSIE

I'll be back in two weeks Johnny. Can't survive two weeks without me?

JOHNNY

Awwww Susie. I was just hoping we could... you know... make our relationship more... you know... take that next step.

SUSIE

Next step? What are you blabbing on about Johnny Jamison? Unless you're talking about a ring... you can just think again.

Johnny sighs and hangs his head. Susie lifts his chin with one finger and smiles at him sweetly. She leans in and kisses him on the lips.

JOHNNY

Wow! You're teasing me Susan Reynard! And you could use some practice. Try again?

Susie gives Johnny a much better kiss. Johnny dances around and tries to hide the excitement in his jeans. Susie politely covers her mouth when she laughs.

SUSIE

Better?

JOHNNY

OK. Go to Europe. But no hanky panky in Paris. Promise? Promise?

SUSIE

I promise. No hanky-panky in Paris.