

KATHERINE

I think she's a pretty great kid!

ELLIE

I could do better.

DR. EHRIN

Let me cut to the chase: Ellie skips class when she's bored.

SEÑOR O'BRIEN

Eleven days!

*(ELLIE glares at KATHERINE. KATHERINE looks at the ground, ashamed. She twists her hair. ELLIE smacks her hand away.)*

ELLIE

I am really disappointed. Disappointed in myself. And angry. At myself!

*(lifts up her shirt to reveal the belly button ring)*

I am especially angry at this decision!

*(to TEACHERS)*

You see this?!?

KATHERINE

Well, at least you're not a smoker. Like me!

*(to TEACHERS)*

I smoke!

*(A beat.)*

MRS. LUCKENBILL

If I may say a word about Ellie's file, and the tests—

KATHERINE

Those tests are dumb.

DR. EHRIN

Mrs. Blake!

MRS. LUCKENBILL

I agree.

DR. EHRIN

Diane—

MRS. LUCKENBILL

Enough with the tests, Kevin!

*(to KATHERINE and ELLIE)*

Ellie's bright. She's articulate. She has a wonderful mind. She's special.