

Screenplay
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What If...

INT. LIVING ROOM

We see two girls sitting on a sofa, one on her phone the other look intently at the TV.

TV SPOKESMAN
And the numbers are 10 32

BETH
Come on.

TV SPOKESMAN
23 55 and lastly.

BETH
Come on give me something.

TV SPOKESMAN
1.

BETH
Dammit!

Beth turns the TV off and rips her tickets in anger.

CASSIE
Guess you didn't win huh?

BETH
Yea...I never get the numbers I want. Hopefully I'll win the next lottery later

CASSIE
You know the chances of winning those are near impossible right?

BETH
I know I know...I just want to be rich.

CASSIE
Well at this rate you just wasting money.

BETH
Yes yes I get it, bet rich people don't have to worry about our struggles.

Cassie puts down her phone looks up and thinks of an idea.

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CASSIE
I wonder, what if rich did have to
worry about the lottery?

BETH
What do you mean?

CASSIE
Like what if rich people had to
worry about an anti-lottery that
they had to do when there rich
enough?

BETH
Anti-lottery? what you mean they
would lose money?

CASSIE
Yea if they get it through the post
and there numbers come up, they
would lose all there money?

BETH
Now that would be interesting

QUICK CUT

INT. OFFICE

We see a successful looking businesswomen working on her
desk on her laptop.

BETH
Let's see what are my stock
today.....100% increase, another
million in my bank

Her Mobile phone rings.

BETH
Hello Who is this?

She pauses.

BETH
Matt Damon?...oh yes Matt Damon,
its good to here from you again,
last time I saw you was at your
party last week.

She pauses.

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BETH
Oh your having another party this weekend, let me just see my schedule...yes I should have some time to fit in.

She pauses.

BETH
(laughs)
Oh stop you flirting will get you nowhere, anyway I'll see you then, bye.

She hangs up and continues to look at her laptop.

BETH
ohhh those shoes look good, only a grand, well bought.

A office women enters the room.

CASSIE
Greeting Madam CEO, I have your schedule for the day.

BETH
And they are?

Beth starts filing her nails.

CASSIE
at 1pm you have a meeting with Steve jobs about selling his company to you, then at 2pm we will be flying to America to shake hands with the president, then at 3pm your dress fitting for the Oscars, then at 4pm you are at fashion show and at 5pm you have lunch with Kanye about his new album deal.

BETH
I see just the usual.

Beth stops filing her nails.

CASSIE
Also your mail came in.

Cassie hands her the envelopes.

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BETH
Lets see party invitation, ball
invitation and.

Beth drops the other envelopes.

BETH
Cancel my appointments for today
and leave here right now.

CASSIE
But madam I cant just Cancel the-

BETH
(shouts)
Just do it and leave.

While in shock Cassie leaves the room.

BETH
Guess its time, I knew this day
would come.

Beth opens the envelope and pulls out two folded pieces of
paper and unfolds one.

BETH
These are the losing numbers I see.
Hopefully my unlucky dip doesn't
match.

Beth unfolds and stares slowly going across her numbers, and
just before reads the last number.

QUICK SHOT

INT. LIVING ROOM

We see the girls on the sofa in the middle of talking and
someone knocks on the door.

BETH
Hold the other lottery is up.

CASSIE
I'll get the door.

Beth turns on the TV

TV SPOKESMAN
And the numbers are 5

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BETH
Yes.

TV SPOKESMAN
42.

BETH
Yes.

TV SPOKESMAN
23.

BETH
(in excitement)
Yes!

TV SPOKESMAN
11.

BETH
(Shouts)
Yes!

TV SPOKESMAN
And lastly.

BETH
(shouts)
Come on!

TV SPOKESMAN
1.

Beth and Cassie Jumps.

BETH
(screams)
Yes!

Beth starts dancing in excitement and Cassie walks in.

CASSIE
Well someone is happy...by the way
you just got mail.

Cassie reaches out her hand with an envelope and Beth looks
at her in disappointing shock.

CUT TO BLACK.

THE END