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EXT. RESORT/OCEAN - DAY

Rachel and Shane float side-by-side in luxurious inflatable inner tubes. Rachel peacefully sits in her tube with a novel in one hand and a margarita in the other. Shane, on the other hand, cannot stop fidgeting and squeaking around in his tube.

RACHEL

(looking up from her novel)

Everything okay over there?

SHANE

Just feels impossible to get comfortable in these things.

RACHEL

Can't you just sit like I'm sitting?

SHANE

(impatiently)

That's what I've been trying to do.

Rachel watches Shane as he continues to squeak around in his tube. Once Shane finally gets comfortable, he takes his phone out of the tube's cupholder and squints at it.

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SHANE (CONT'D)

(sighing in frustration)

It's too damn bright out here.

RACHEL

What about your sunglasses?

SHANE

I think I left them in the room.

I'll be right back.

Shane returns to his original position in the tube and turns around towards the shore. Rachel casually sits up and takes off her sunglasses.

RACHEL

You can borrow mine, if you want.

SHANE

(turning back to face

Rachel)

Nah, I'm good. I bought a pair of Gold and Woods just for the trip.

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After acknowledging Shane's response with a nod, Rachel puts her sunglasses back on and nonchalantly returns to her novel.

Almost like a child, Shane leans forwards in his tube and kicks himself back to the shoreline. In the process, he manages to spray Rachel with a splash of water, but doesn't notice. Rachel sighs and shakes the water from her book.

INT. COCONUT BUNGALOW - DAY

Akilah quickly scans the rest of the room—— the bed is clearly unmade, and two of the pillows are tossed onto the floor. Shane's suitcase is visibly open and messy, while Rachel's is neatly propped next to her side of the bed. Shane's pair of SUNGLASSES sits plainly in the middle of the floor.

BEGIN AKILAH'S CLEANING MONTAGE:

- --Akilah folds all of Shane's laundry and sets it on his suitcase.
- --Akilah cleans the toilet, carefully fanning out the top sheets of the extra toilet paper rolls into elegant shellshapes.
- --Akilah meticulously scrubs the mirrors and sinks, replacing the soap bars and tissues.
- --Akilah makes the bed, fluffing out the pillows and thoroughly tucking in the sheets.

END MONTAGE *

For the finishing touch, Akilah folds two clean bath towels into swans and carefully places Shane's SUNGLASSES on one of them (after cleaning them first, of course). As she wheels out her cart and closes the door, the sunglasses TOPPLE DOWN from the swan onto the clean floor.

INT. RESORT FRONT DESK - DAY

Kitty approaches Vance as he's on his computer at the front desk. She leans over to catch his attention.

KITTY
(flirtatiously)

Excuse me, you're the resort
manager I met yesterday, correct?

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VANCE

Yes ma'am, how can I help you?

KITTY

Well--

Mid-sentence, Kitty leans further over the desk to check Vance's name tag.

KITTY (CONT'D)

(pronouncing Vance with a poor British accent)

--Mr. Vance... I know you don't have it here, but I was wondering if you know about anything I could do that's at least similar to SoulCycle.

VANCE

(laughing uncomfortably) You can just call me Vance.

KITTY

(flirtatiously, still with
 the terrible accent)
Okay, Vance.

VANCE

(stiffly pronouncing his
name in an American
accent)

Vance. But in terms of SoulCycle, I'm afraid we don't offer anything very similar...

Vance trails off as he sees JANSEN (pronounced "YAWN-SON"), a young, tan, hunky man, walking past the two of them.

VANCE (CONT'D)

...however, I may have an interesting alternative for you! Hey, Jansen!

Jansen waves back at Vance and approaches the two of them. Kitty instantly leans off the desk, her eyes glued to Jansen's body.

VANCE (CONT'D)

We offer various relaxation activities here at the White Lotus hosted by Jansen, our very own resort self-care guru! Jansen, this is Kitty, one of our most esteemed guests.

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JANSEN

(warmly)

Nice to meet you, Kitty. We have a special meditation session later today if you'd like to join us.

KITTY

(in awe)

Wow, that sounds absolutely lovely.

Kitty casually slips her arm into Jansen's and pats his bicep.

KITTY (CONT'D)

(pronouncing Jansen

dramatically)

Please tell me more, Jansen!

VANCE

I'll leave you both to it, then!

A nervous Jansen smiles back at Vance, who promptly EXITS the lobby with a sigh of relief. Vance's customer-service smile falls from his face the second he turns away from the two of them.

JANSEN

We'll be meeting this afternoon in the Yogic Gardens. I do hope you join us.

KITTY

Oh, I wouldn't miss it for the world! I'll see you soon, Jansen.

Kitty winks and pats Jansen's bicep before leaving the lobby. On her way out, she turns around and waves lovingly at Jansen, who smiles and waves back uncomfortably.