

# House of Dreams Redux Part 8 Preview



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A scene from a video game showing two young women sitting on a light-colored, textured sofa in a modern interior with large windows. The woman on the left, with short dark hair, is wearing a pink and black striped bikini top and is smoking a cigarette, with a wisp of smoke rising from it. The woman on the right, with long dark hair tied in a ponytail, is wearing a black bikini top and is seen from the back. The background shows a view of a body of water and some buildings through the windows.

NOW THAT THE BEER WAS  
GONE, THE PARTY WAS OVER.  
THE OLDER KIDS ALL SPLIT.

IT LOOKED LIKE ALL  
OF THE MAGIC HAD RUN IT'S  
COURSE, IN EVERYONE  
EXCEPT ME, LAURIE AND  
RUTHIE.

WE WERE ALL  
STILL SIXTEEN.

THEN WHY  
DIDN'T YOU GO OUT  
WITH THE OLDER  
KIDS?



A scene from a video game featuring three women on a beach lounge. The woman on the left is seen from behind, with short grey hair and a black bikini top. The woman in the center is sitting up, wearing a black bikini top with a white skull pattern. The woman on the right is lying down, wearing a pink bikini top. They are all on a beige cushioned lounge with a dark base. In the background, there's a view of a beach with some rocks and low-lying vegetation. A small table in the bottom right corner holds a green bottle and a glass. Three white speech bubbles with black text are overlaid on the scene.

WE WERE SORT OF  
WAITING FOR THE OTHER  
SHOE TO FALL.

LIKE TURNING BACK  
INTO LITTLE KIDS AT AN  
AWKWARD MOMENT.

AT LEAST THE  
WITCHES WERE GONE!  
THEY MADE ME SICK!





WE DIDN'T TALK ABOUT IT,  
BUT WE FIGURED IT WAS  
GONNA HAPPEN.

I FOR ONE WASN'T  
LOOKING FORWARD TO  
IT. I LIKED BEING  
SIXTEEN.

AND IF AND WHEN  
WE CHANGED BACK,  
I WANTED IT TO BE IN  
PRIVATE.

WE ONLY HAD  
THREE KIDS LEFT TO  
GET RID OF... BUT THEY  
WERE BEING  
DIFFICULT.





COME ON, GUYS! THE  
PARTY'S OVER! IT'S  
CLOSING TIME!

YOU DON'T  
HAVE TO GO  
HOME...

...BUT YOU CAN'T  
STAY HERE!





YOU SAID WE  
WERE INVITED TO THE  
SLEEPOVER!

DON'T DENY IT!  
I WAS THERE!

YEAH! SPARE ME  
YOUR MOTH EATEN  
LYRICS! YOU  
PROMISED!





UH HUH. I REMEMBER  
THAT CONVERSATION  
TOO! BUT BE  
REASONABLE! YOU'RE  
LITTLE KIDS!

YOU  
WOULD JUST  
BE BORED.

WHILE WE DO  
IMPORTANT TEEN  
STUFF!

THAT'S ANOTHER  
THING! HOW COME  
YOU'RE ALL STILL  
TEENS?!

WE SHOULD  
GET TO BE TEENS  
TOO!

IT'S SO  
UNFAIR!

HI, KIDS.






HEY, MRS.  
G!

HEY,  
MOM.

WHAT'S  
ALL THE  
COMMOTION,  
KIDS?





JUST SAYING  
GOODBYE TO AIMEE AND  
THE OTHERS. THEY DON'T  
WANT TO LEAVE.

JON INVITED ME TO  
SLEEP OVER. IS IT  
STILL OK?

TOO LATE! YOU  
ALREADY SAID I  
COULD!

I'D RATHER YOU  
DIDN'T, RUTHIE...






I KNOW I DID, BABY... BUT  
I'D RATHER YOU COME HOME  
SO I CAN KEEP AN EYE ON  
YOU...

...WHAT WITH  
ALL OF THESE  
BIZARRE AGE  
CHANGES.

AWWW...  
PLEASE?

SHE SAID PLEASE,  
MRS. G! AND DON'T  
WORRY, I'LL KEEP AN EYE  
ON HER.





I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND  
YOUR CONCERN, CINDY. WHY  
DON'T YOU SPEND THE NIGHT  
HERE?

WE HAVE A  
SPARE BEDROOM, AND YOU  
CAN BE ON HAND FOR ANY  
PROBLEMS.

AS LONG AS I  
WOULDN'T BE  
PUTTING YOU OUT...

OF COURSE YOU  
WOULDN'T! YOU ARE VERY  
WELCOME TO STAY THE  
NIGHT.





IT'S SETTLED THEN,  
RUTHIE. WE'RE BOTH GOING  
TO STAY THE NIGHT.

THANKS,  
MOM!

WHY DON'T YOU  
GIRLS SEE IF YOU CAN  
FIND SOMETHING TO  
SLEEP IN?

SOUNDS LIKE A PLAN. DANA  
HAS LOTS OF CLOTHES! LET'S  
GO RAID SOME CLOSETS,  
GIRLS!





SHOULDN'T YOU  
GIRLS BE HEADING  
HOME?

I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE,  
MRS. G! THE NEW KID SAID WE  
COULD SLEEP OVER TOO!

HE WOULDN'T HAVE A  
SLEEPOVER WITHOUT  
INVITING US!

SHE MEANS  
SHE!





WE DON'T  
TAKE UP MUCH  
ROOM...

\*GIGGLE\*...  
YEAH, I MEAN  
SHE!

WE WOULD BE ON OUR  
WAY, BUT THE NEW KID INVITED  
US! SHE PROBABLY JUST  
FORGOT!





IF SHE INVITED YOU,  
THAT'S DIFFERENT. I WOULD  
EXPECT HER TO LIVE UP TO  
HER PROMISES.

WHAT DID SHE  
SAY, EXACTLY?

UM...  
EXACTLY?

YES. SOMETIMES YOU SEEM  
TO PUT WORDS IN PEOPLE'S  
MOUTHS, AND SORT OF BULLY  
THEM INTO DOING WHAT THEY  
WOULD NOT ORDINARILY DO.





I DON'T KNOW WHAT  
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!  
LET'S SEE... EXACT  
WORDS...







WHEN IT'S OVER,  
MAYBE YOU CAN SLEEP  
OVER AT MY HOUSE.

BETTER YET, WE CAN  
ALL HAVE A SLEEPOVER  
RIGHT HERE!

I HAPPENED TO  
BRING A CHANGE OF  
CLOTHES!

ME TOO! THAT WAY  
THE PARTY WILL GO ON  
ALL NIGHT!

AUNT NADIA WON'T LET  
ME HAVE EVERYONE OVER,  
ESPECIALLY THE BOYS!

GET YOUR MIND OUT OF  
THE GUTTER, NEW KID! GIRLS  
ONLY!





DARN. NOW WE'RE GONNA  
MISS OUT ON ALL OF THE  
IMPORTANT TEEN STUFF, WHATEVER  
THAT IS.

I'M THINKING UNPROTECTED  
SEX, WEED AND CIGARETTES...  
AND BEER IF THERE'S ANY  
LEFTOVER.

THAT'S NOT  
HOW I REMEMBER  
IT.

YUCK! STUPID  
TEENS!



DANA'S CLOSET IS  
PACKED WITH AWESOME  
CLOTHES! I OUGHTA  
KNOW...

...I PAID FOR  
THEM ALL.







WE PAID FOR THEM,  
DEAR... WHEN I HAD  
A JOB THAT IS.

HER CLOSET IS ALSO  
WHERE SHE KEEPS HER  
STASH. ASK ME HOW I  
KNOW.






I NEVER TRIED  
THAT BEFORE.

WELL, DUH! YOU  
WERE ELEVEN YEARS  
OLD LIKE TWO SECONDS  
AGO!

MY MOM'S GONNA  
BE SUPER PISSED IF  
SHE FOUND OUT!  
WON'T YOURS?

I DON'T THINK SO.  
I'LL ASK.



A comic panel depicting three women in a closet. On the left, a woman with long dark hair in a red one-piece swimsuit is seen from the back, looking towards the other two. In the center, a woman with short dark hair in a black bikini top and pink patterned bottoms stands with her back to the viewer. On the right, a woman with long red hair in a green bikini top and green patterned bottoms also has her back to the viewer. They are standing in front of a closet filled with clothes on hangers and green drawers. Three speech bubbles contain their dialogue.

ARE YOU  
GONNA BE SUPER  
PISSED IF I SMOKE  
SOME WEED?

NOPE. I DON'T  
GIVE A RAT'S ASS  
WHAT YOU DO.

VERY FUNNY.  
SHE'S NOT YOUR  
MOM.





HAHA...


WELL, SHE SORTA WAS. SHE WAS MY LEGAL GUARDIAN WHEN I SIGNED UP FOR THE STUDY.

BEFORE THAT SHE WAS MY WIFE... FOR 20 YEARS!



20 LONG YEARS!





...I TOTALLY FORGOT  
ABOUT THAT! BUT MY MOM  
WOULD BE PISSED!

SHE'S WAY TOO  
STRAIGHT LACED TO  
SMOKE POT!

ARE YOU KIDDING ME?  
THE CINDY I KNOW PARTIED  
ALL THE TIME!

I GUESS I  
CORRUPTED HER.



A scene from a video game or comic book showing three young women in a dressing room. One woman with long black hair is seen from behind, wearing a red one-piece swimsuit. She is talking to two other women. The woman in the middle has short brown hair and is wearing a pink and black striped bikini. The woman on the right has long red hair and is wearing a red polka-dot dress with white lace trim. They are standing in front of a closet filled with various clothes.

PLAYING THE ALL THE  
COOL KIDS DO IT CARD,  
ARE YA?

THAT'S LOW... BUT  
EFFECTIVE! CORRUPT  
ME!

NOT IF SHE  
DOESN'T WANT  
TO...

...BUT THEN  
SHE WON'T BE  
COOL, OF  
COURSE.

AND NOW  
YOU'RE GONNA  
CORRUPT HER  
DAUGHTER!





SHE 'LL  
DEFINITELY BE PISSED  
IF YOU TAKE HER  
STUFF!

IF SHE'S YOUR  
DAUGHTER, SHE  
SHOULDN'T HAVE TO PAY  
RENT!

YOU GOT IT! I'LL  
BREAK OUT HER STASH  
AFTER WE CHANGE.

I THINK OF IT AS  
CHARGING HER RENT. I  
MEAN, THIS IS A NICE  
HOUSE!

I KNOW, BUT  
THEN...



A woman with short brown hair, wearing a pink and black patterned bikini, is sitting on a white lounge chair. She is holding a lit cigarette in her right hand, and a wisp of smoke is rising from it. She is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The background is dark and textured, possibly a wall or a large piece of furniture. The floor is made of light-colored tiles. A speech bubble is positioned to the right of her head.

*...I WOULDN'T HAVE ANY! IF  
YOU CAN'T GET STONED, WHAT'S  
THE POINT OF ANYTHING?*



A scene on a yacht lounge with three women. One woman is lying down on the right, another is sitting in the middle wearing a skull-patterned bikini, and a third is sitting on the left smoking a cigarette. A table in the foreground holds champagne bottles in an ice bucket and two glasses. The background shows the ocean and a railing.

I COULDN'T  
AGREE WITH YOU  
MORE.

WE ARE ON THE SAME  
PAGE. LOOKS LIKE YOUR  
DEMON IS DOWN FOR THE  
COUNT.

IT IS A LONG  
STORY, I  
SUPPOSE.



A scene from a video game showing two women on a boat. One woman, with dark hair in a ponytail and wearing a black bikini with a white skull pattern, is sitting on a tan cushioned sofa and looking down at another woman. The second woman, with dark hair and wearing a pink bikini, is lying face down on the same sofa, appearing to be asleep or unconscious. The background shows the blue water of the sea and a wooden railing of the boat.

IT ISN'T THAT. SHE WAS  
REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO  
EATING THAT WITCH SOUL.

I THINK IT  
EMBARRASSED HER  
WHEN SHE THREW IT UP.

zzzzzz...





UNTIL THAT  
HAPPENED, SHE REALLY  
LIKED YOUR STORY... I  
THINK.

*\*TFFT\*... GREAT!*  
IT AIN'T OVER YET,  
AND SHE MAY STILL  
PLAY A PART.

WHAT THE  
HELL IS THAT  
SUPPOSED TO  
MEAN?





*\*TFFT\*...  
STILL GETTING IT  
LIT.*

*HEY! IT'S  
MY TURN!*

*IT'S LIT  
ENOUGH! HAND  
IT OVER!*

*THEN I  
WANNA TRY  
IT!*





HERE YA  
GO.

YOU  
DON'T KNOW WHAT  
YOU'RE MISSING! IT'S  
STRONGER THAN IT WAS  
IN THE OLD DAYS.

I CAN'T  
REMEMBER THE LAST  
TIME I TOKED.





IT'S REALLY  
GOOD, RIGHT?

\*TFFT\*





UH HUH. I JUST HOPE IT DOESN'T  
HAVE SOME WEIRD SIDE EFFECT  
FROM MIXING WITH DR. NANCY'S  
TREATMENT AND THE PRESUMED  
MAGIC SPELL ON US.

WHY WOULD IT DO  
THAT? DR. NANCY DIDN'T  
SAY ANYTHING ABOUT  
AVOIDING WEED.

TRUE...





I THINK THE MAGIC'S  
GONNA WEAR OFF OF US  
ANYWAY, LIKE IT DID FROM  
AIMEE AND HER FRIENDS.

WHILE WE'RE STILL  
TEENS, WE SHOULD ENJOY  
IT. DO TEEN STUFF LIKE  
RUTHIE SAID.

IMPORTANT  
TEEN STUFF!

I KEEP HOPING  
IT WON'T WEAR  
OFF.





ME TOO, BUT IT  
PROBABLY WILL. BEING  
SIXTEEN RULES!

IT DOES  
SO FAR!





OK, PREPARE TO BE  
CORRUPTED! CINDY WAS  
SIXTEEN JUST LIKE YOU WHEN  
SHE FIRST TRIED IT.

YOU DON'T HAVE  
TO, BUT THEN YOU  
WON'T BE COOL LIKE  
US...

THAT DOESN'T MEAN  
YOU HAVE TO TRY IT, OF  
COURSE...

...OR LIKE  
YOUR MOM!





IF SHE DID IT THEN  
I'M OBLIGATED TO!  
HAND IT OVER!

ATTA  
GIRL!

YOU  
DON'T KNOW THE  
POWER OF THE DARK  
SIDE!



A woman with dark hair in a ponytail and bangs, wearing a purple lace-trimmed one-piece swimsuit, is sitting on a bed with a red and white striped blanket. She is holding a lit cigarette in her right hand, and a wisp of smoke is rising from it. She has a slight, knowing smile. The room has a modern aesthetic with a white desk and a large monitor on the left, and a white dresser with pink drawers on the right. A red handbag sits on a shelf above the dresser. The floor is covered with a light-colored carpet.

*DARK SIDE,  
SCHMARK SIDE. I LIKE  
THE WAY IT SMELLS...*





\*TFFT\*



IT FEELS EVEN  
BETTER THAN IT  
SMELLS!

GO, GIRL,  
GO!

MAKE SURE YOU  
INHALE IT, OR IT WON'T  
GET YOU STONED.

\*TFFT\*





I'M  
FEELING IT  
ALREADY!

ME  
TOO!

\*TFFT\*



A scene from a video game featuring three women sitting on a bed. The woman on the left has short brown hair and wears a blue swimsuit with a space pattern. The woman in the middle has long red hair and wears a red and white patterned swimsuit. The woman on the right has long black hair and wears a purple lace swimsuit, holding a lit cigarette. The background includes a white headboard, a red and white patterned pillow, and pink curtains.

I THINK SHE  
LIKES IT!

THAT'S ONE  
LONG HIT!

\*TFFT\*





DON'T HOG IT!  
SAVE SOME FOR US!

\*TFFT\*





WE CAN ALWAYS  
ROLL ANOTHER  
ONE.

WE MIGHT NOT GET  
ANOTHER TURN!

*\*TFFT\**





GOOD! 'CAUSE I  
WANT ANOTHER HIT!

\*TFFT\*





THE HELL  
WE DID!

I THINK YOU  
TWO HAVE HAD  
ENOUGH!

YEAH, IT'S MY  
TURN! HAND IT  
OVER!

\*GIGGLE\*...  
MAYBE WHEN YOU'RE  
OLDER!



HA HA, VERY FUNNY!  
I WANT ME SOME  
WEED-O!

IMPORTANT,  
TEEN WEED-O!

I DUNNO... I  
GUESS YOU'RE STILL  
TEENS...





A scene from a video game or anime depicting three young women in a bedroom. Two women are kneeling on a bed with a red and white striped blanket. The woman on the left wears a blue swimsuit with a colorful pattern. The woman in the middle wears a red polka-dot swimsuit. A third woman, with long black hair and wearing a purple lace-trimmed dress, is sitting on the edge of the bed, lighting a cigarette for the woman in the red swimsuit. The woman in the red swimsuit has a speech bubble indicating she dislikes the sound of the cigarette. The woman in the blue swimsuit has a speech bubble saying she still looks the same. The woman in the purple dress has a speech bubble saying 'you two don't.' The background includes a white door, pink curtains, and a desk with a computer monitor.

ME NEITHER.  
YOU STILL LOOK THE  
SAME.

*\*GULP\*... I DON'T  
LIKE THE SOUND OF  
THAT.*

YOU TWO  
DON'T.



DARN  
IT!!

MAYBE  
A LITTLE BIT.  
DO I?

DO I LOOK  
ANY YOUNGER TO  
YOU?

I DON'T  
THINK SO...

*\*SIGH\**... TAKE A LOOK  
IN THE MIRROR AND SEE  
FOR YOURSELVES!

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