

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

LACEY comes running through the door. She SLAMS it shut, leaning against it and locking the bolt.

She slumps against the door, sobbing on the floor. MARY runs in.

MARY  
Is everything okay?

LACEY  
No, mom...there was an attack...

MARY  
What?

LACEY  
(pulling it together)  
Don and I were walking home from the dance when this boy jumped out of the woods and beat him up. I don't know if he's still alive.

MARY  
Look at me. Did you get a look at the boy?

LACEY  
Yes! It was Jason.

MARY  
The boy whose been bothering you at school?

LACEY  
Yes! I told the guidance counselor about him and she told me that he was just being a boy. That he was harmless. I told her!

MARY  
We're going to the cops.

LACEY  
No, mom! If he finds out that I said anything he's going to come after me.

MARY  
Boys can't just go around attacking people! Did you see where he went?

LACEY

He left Don on the ground and then  
ran back into the woods. I don't  
think he followed me...

Suddenly, there is a BANGING on the door. Lacey SHRIEKS.

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