

"THE ELEVATOR" EXCERPT BY ASHA NOEL IYER

EPISODE 1: FAMILY VACATION

EXT. PARKING GARAGE - AFTERNOON

Family vacation. Scene opens on a family of 4. Husband and wife SAMANTHA and JOHNNY, with children TOMMY and LILY. SAMANTHA is shuffling the family out of the car and towards the hotel elevator. The family crowds in.

INT. HOTEL - AFTERNOON

JOHNNY  
You have the parking validation  
ticket?

SAMANTHA  
Yes.

Rummages in her bag, searches pockets.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)  
No..

Continues searching.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)  
I must have left it in the car. Be  
right back.

JOHNNY  
Okay.

SAMANTHA  
You're good with them?

JOHNNY  
Of course babe.

She kisses him and turns back around.

INT. ELEVATOR - AFTERNOON

SAMANTHA presses the elevator's button to the parking garage. Elevator starts. As it proceeds down, colors begin to change. The once sleek, glass design morphs slowly and flashes in and out, becoming a groaning, wooden elevator. Elevator doors open.

EXT. PARKING GARAGE - AFTERNOON

The doors open to the same parking garage. But everything looks different. The sleek 2016 Prii and MINI Coopers have been replaced with 1940s Packards and Volkswagens. SAMANTHA looks around for her car, but it is nowhere to be seen. She takes the stairs up to where the hotel was, but only a solo building stands. The lobby and hotel rooms are not to be seen.

SAMANTHA

Johnny?

SAMANTHA walks around outside.

SAMANTHA (CONT'D)

JOHNNY?! TOMMY? LILY?!

Nothing. She continues to walk around.