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Title: Diner Dash

INT. BUSY DINER - DAY

The camera pans across a bustling diner filled with the chatter of patrons and the clinking of cutlery. LAURA, late 20s, dressed in business attire, joins TOM and GINA, both in their early 30s, at a booth. They exchange warm greetings.

TOM

Hey Laura, great to see you! How's everything at the office?

LAURA

Busy as ever. I just signed off on a huge project today. Actually, the contract is in my purse. I need to drop it off after lunch; it's worth a fortune.

Laura places her purse next to her on the booth. The WAITER, actually the THIEF in disguise, notices the purse as he brings over a tray with their coffee orders.

GINA

Well, let's toast to your success then! The coffee here is supposed to be fantastic.

WAITER/THIEF

(approaching with a smile)
Here are your drinks, folks. I hope you enjoy the new blend.

As he sets down the drinks, his hand subtly catches on Laura's purse, edging it off the seat as he steps back.

LAURA

Thanks! Can't wait to try it—Oh, wait, where's my purse?

Laura suddenly notices her purse is missing as the Thief makes a swift move toward the exit.

LAURA (CONT'D)

That's my purse! He's got my contract!

She jumps up and heads after the Thief. Tom and Gina quickly follow.

INT. DINER - DAY (CONTINUOUS)

Laura catches up to the Thief at the door. Instead of tackling him, she grabs the strap of her purse as he tries to exit. They struggle momentarily.

LAURA

Let go! There's something very important in there!

THIEF

Just back off, lady!

TOM

(intervening calmly)

Think about what you're doing. This isn't worth it.

Gina steps closer, her phone in hand, clearly ready to call the police.

GINA

Let it go, or I'm calling the cops right now.

The Thief hesitates, looking between the three determined faces. He releases the purse, realizing he's outnumbered and outmaneuvered.

LAURA

(retrieving her purse)

Thank you. You have no idea how important this is.

The Thief nods, defeated, and steps back as Gina makes the call to the police. Tom and Laura watch him cautiously.

GINA

Police are on their way.

TOM

Good work, Laura. Quick thinking.

LAURA

Couldn't have done it without you guys.

As they walk back to their booth, other diners clap and cheer for their bravery.

EXT. DINER - DAY (CONTINUOUS)

Police arrive and detain the Thief outside the diner. Laura, Tom, and Gina watch from inside, their ordeal over but their camaraderie stronger than ever.

GINA

That was intense. Definitely need another coffee now, and it's definitely on me this time.

LAURA

Thanks, Gina. And maybe let's keep our valuables a bit closer from now on.

They laugh and settle back into their booth, relieved and ready to relax after the unexpected excitement.