

Morticia

SCENE TWO: MORTICIA'S BOUDOIR

... Revealing GOMEZ, fencing with LURCH, who holds his foil absolutely still while GOMEZ swipes at it extravagantly.

GOMEZ

Fight sir, fight like a man! Feel the kiss of my Spanish steel! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Foiled again!

GOMEZ strikes LURCH's sword down. LURCH pokes GOMEZ with it.

GOMEZ

Oww! Damn your lightning reflexes!

GOMEZ retains his sword. MORTICIA enters with a bouquet of yellow flowers.

MORTICIA Gomez, look.

GOMEZ

Ugh! Flowers! Who would send something so tasteless?

MORTICIA

(reads the card)

"The most precious gift there is, More goody-licious than gold, Is that blessing we call friendship, Whether new or very old."

GOMEZ

"Goody-licious?" Who talks like this? **MORTICIA**

removes the flowers from the stems, during:

MORTICIA

The Beinekes. Wednesday's friend Lucas and his parents. They're coming for dinner tonight.

GOMEZ Lucas?

MORTICIA Yes.

GOMEZ

But Lucas is a boy's name.

MORTICIA Yes.

GOMEZ

Wednesday has a friend who's a boy? ~~They both
look at Lurch. Finally:~~

MORTICIA

 It's nothing, darling. Puppy love.
(hands Lurch the stems) Put these in
water.

*WEDNESDAY enters, carrying her crossbow and a goose with an
arrow sticking out of it.*

WEDNESDAY Here. I shot dinner.

MORTICIA

 (taking it)
Oh, Wednesday, that's lovely. Wherever did you find it?

WEDNESDAY Petting zoo.

MORTICIA

Thank you, dear. Come, Lurch - we'll whip up something
really special. And this time, we'll actually cook it.
(shares a laugh with Lurch) Oh, Gomez - guests
for dinner! Fresh meat!

They exit. WEDNESDAY looks nervously after them.

WEDNESDAY

Daddy, I need your help with this dinner. Can you keep a
secret?

WEDNESDAY produces a ring from around her neck.

GOMEZ Of course.

WEDNESDAY Look.