

In the Wrong Café

Characters

HILDA: Woman, mid 20's to mid 40's.

HARMONY: HILDA's friend, late 20's to mid 40's.

ELLIOT: Mid 20's to mid 50's.

BARISTA: 18 to early 30's.

DWAYNE: Mid 20's to mid 50's.

LOIS: Mid 20's to mid 50's.

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Hilda is determined to have the last word with a friend who blocked her on Facebook. She follows Elliot to a café that allows her to hack into anyone's Facebook page and ends up getting entangled with a group of people in a maelstrom of anger and miscommunication.

SETTING: A café. Scattered tables and chairs.

AT RISE: HILDA is seated at a table across from her friend HARMONY. HILDA stares at her laptop, frowns then types. HARMONY lazily taps and swipes at her cell phone. ELLIOT, seated at a nearby types on his laptop, occasionally sneering or smirking.

HARMONY

Can you see if our drinks are ready?

HILDA

Can you? I'm having it out with Mel on Facebook.

HARMONY

God, you two – give it a rest.

HILDA

Did you see that stupid meme she posted on immigration? I called her out on it. And now she's angry. She says she has a deeper understanding and I don't. What she really has is a pretentious need for moral superiority... Oh, that's good.

(Quickly types on keyboard.)

Ha! Whadaya think of that, Melanie?