

LOTTO LOVE

A girl wins the lottery and in trying to be
generous, finds that her heart needs a
better direction.

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EXT. GARDEN OUTSIDE OF THE APARTMENT - VIA SOCIAL MEDIA POST

MAYA

Hey y'all! I know many of you have seen the video of me, just here to confirm that Yes, I just won the Mega Millions!

If you know me, you know that I'm getting ready for my Freshman year at Stanford in the Fall, but what you don't know is that I was gonna have to defer this year to work and save up for tuition. Guess I'm off to Cali in a couple months!

Now, I just gotta figure out what to do with the summer now that I have \$121 million dollars!!! This my girl, Mo. Say hi, Mo! I'm gonna miss you so much! This my ride or die y'all! I love you!

So actually, me and Mo had a great idea. I'm gonna get packed up for school and me and Mo are gonna spend the next 2 months driving cross-country on my way to Stanford!!

BOTH

Road Trip!

MAYA

But wait, there's more! We want to share the love with all of you. The LOTTO LOVE! So check it out. As we drive from East Coast to West Coast, I'm gonna be doing a weekly giveaway of \$50,000 to the person with the most compelling use for it! Send us a video telling us what you would do with \$50K and each week, we'll go live to surprise the winner with \$50,000, cold, hard cash! Don't miss out! Subscribe now and send us your requests for some

BOTH

Lotto Love!

Maya taps her phone to post the video. The two look at each other, pause, then simultaneously break into their secret dance/handshake.

MO
Come on girl, we gotta get you
packed!

They continue dancing as they walk towards their apartment.

MONTAGE as Maya and Mo prepare for their trip.

- Shopping for dorm supplies
- Mo helps Maya decide what clothes to bring to college
- Maya and Mo watch entries as they come in while Maya's followers grow exponentially
- Maya and Mo pack up the last of the items in the car, which is about to burst at the seams

END MONTAGE

INT. CAR - DAY

Maya and Mo drive on the highway, listening to music, Maya is driving while Mo is scrolling through videos on her phone.

MO
How are we gonna choose these
winners? There's like a million
videos here!

MAYA
I know. It's crazy how many people
submitted! I guess people will do
anything for money!

MO
I know right? This guy says he'll
use the money to build a tiger
enclosure in his back yard!

MAYA
Uh.....I'll pass, Tiger King!

MO
And here's a girl who wants to get
a nose job for her and her 5 best
friends!

MAYA

What is she in the Plastics? I can't even with that. Girl, can we look for people who actually need the money? Like actually make a difference?

MO

(disappointingly)

Right. Right.

(awkward silence)

But do you see how many followers you have? I feel like we should give the people what they want!

MAYA

True, true. You know what? Maybe this is a YOLO moment.

MO

It's definitely a YOLO moment.

BOTH

YOLO!

MAYA

OK, but we are not funding animal cruelty and mean girls. At least find something redeeming!

MO

On it!

MONTAGE as they continue on their trip in search of their first recipient.

- Driving on the highway, eating snacks and belting out their favorite songs

- Laughing as they scroll through videos while they eat at a diner

- Watching TV in fluffy white robes at a luxury hotel

END MONTAGE

INT. CAR DRIVING ON HIGHWAY - DAY

Mo drives as Maya reclines in the passenger seat. She suddenly sits up in her seat.

MAYA

I found it! I think this is the one.

MO
Finally! Who is it?

MAYA
Her name is Lilah. Her birthday party is this weekend and her Mom wants to surprise her with the ultimate little girl fantasy!

MO
Alright - where we headed? And what's the ultimate little girl fantasy?

EXT. BACK YARD OF A LARGE SUBURBAN HOUSE - DAY

The birthday party is in full swing; the back yard is decked out with pink birthday decor and tons of balloons. Parents are deep in conversation as LILAH (7) scampers around the yard, giggling with a small group of friends.

Maya and Mo stand by the gate to the back yard and prepare to go live with a social media post.

MO
You ready?

MAYA
Yep, let's do this!

Mo begins recording as Maya starts her Live video.

MAYA (CONT'D)
Hey what's up y'all! It's your girls Maya and Mo. And we're here to do our very first Lotto Love giveaway!

They have no idea what's about to go down, but Lilah's Mom, Rachel reached out to me with a very special request. Today's Lilah's 7th birthday and we're about to crash her party with a surprise she'll never forget!

Come on, let's go!

Maya and Mo walk through the gate into the back yard. The partygoers stare at them, wondering what's going on, but Maya and Mo continue to barge in with huge smiles plastered on their faces. They soon see RACHEL (mid 30s) standing by the cake with Lilah. Rachel, at first startled, realizes who they are and covers her mouth in disbelief.

MAYA (CONT'D)
Hi, are you Rachel?

Rachel nods, unable to speak

MAYA (CONT'D)
And you must be Lilah!

Lilah nods in agreement

MAYA (CONT'D)
I heard it's your birthday today,
so we wanted to come tell you Happy
Birthday!

LILAH
Thank you.

MAYA
You know your Mom sent us a message
to see if we could come to your
party. She's a pretty great Mom,
isn't she?

LILAH
Yes.

MAYA
She also told us that she wanted to
get you the best birthday gift ever
and she needed our help to find it.

Well, guess what? I don't know how,
but we were able to find it. Take a
look right over there - I think
it's coming now.

Maya points towards the gate and everyone looks in
anticipation. The gate CREAKS open and there's a bit of
commotion.

LILAH
(hesitantly)
What is it?

Maya remains silent as the CLATTER gets closer. Soon, a MAN
emerges holding a rope which is tied to a beautiful dark
brown pony with a giant hot pink bow tied around it's neck.
Lilah GASPS and runs over to the pony, stopping short of
hugging it so as not to scare it.

LILAH (CONT'D)
She's beautiful! Can I pet her?

MAN

Sure you can. This is how she likes
to be pet.

He shows her the proper way to gently stroke the pony's
mane. Lilah immediately follows suit, grinning from ear to
ear.

LILAH

What's her name?

MAN

Her name is Sadie. And now she's
yours!

LILAH

You mean I get to keep her?

MAN

You sure do! Her stable is just
down the road, so you can come see
her every day!

RACHEL

(sobbing)

I can't believe this is happening!
Thank you so much!

MAYA

Hey, thanks for reaching out with
this amazing opportunity to spread
some Lotto Love.

Maya, Mo, Rachel and Lila pose to finish off the video.

ALL

Lotto Love!!

Maya and Mo walk back to the car, full of adrenaline from
the first giveaway.

MO

That felt so good!

MAYA

I know! What an incredible rush! I
can't wait until the next one!

MO

Yes! Let's amp it up even more this
time!

MONTAGE as Maya and Mo continue their travels, stopping
along the way to see the sights and do more giveaways.

- The girls stop at tourist destinations along the way, such as Graceland, the French Quarter and the Alamo
- They do two more giveaways - a woman who surprises her husband with a classic muscle car, a sweet sixteen party with a surprise guest - Bruno Mars
- Maya's followers continue to skyrocket
- They continue to enjoy great food and lavish hotel rooms

INT. CAR DRIVING ON ROUTE 66 - SUNSET

Maya drives while Mo has her bare feet hanging out of the window.

MAYA

I've been thinking. We only have like 3 more giveaways before we get to Cali.

MO

Right.

MAYA

I'm not sure I'm down with the YOLO moment anymore.

MO

What do you mean?

MAYA

I mean, I love seeing how happy we're making people, but it doesn't feel like it means anything. We're just giving them things. And most of these people already had everything they truly need.

MO

True, but look at how many followers you have now! This is clearly what people want to see.

MAYA

But that's not what my original intention was. I wanted to really make a difference with this money, not spend it on frivolous things.

MO
I don't know, I think that pony
surely made a difference in Lilah's
life!

MAYA
You know what I mean.

MO
(begrudgingly)
Yeah, I know.

MAYA
So let's make these last few
something that will make a lasting
impact for those who truly need it.

MO
OK, it may be hard to find in the
midst of all this craziness!

MAYA
Here, let's stop and get food and
we can look together.

INT. DINER - NIGHT

Maya and Mo eat while they both look through posts.

MO
Oh, here's one. This guy is down on
his luck and just got \$45,000
stolen out of his bank account!

MAYA
Wait, isn't that the Vegas strip in
the background? And is that his
Tesla he's standing next to? Yeah,
I think the casino "stole" his
money. Pass.

MO
Ooh what about this? This Mom with
5 kids lost her job 4 months ago
and they are about to lose their
house. She says if she doesn't find
work in the next week, they won't
be able to pay their mortgage.

MAYA
Oh We can definitely help them out
with that!

MO
100%! Ok, I'll figure out where
we're goin!

MAYA
Yes! This is hitting different
already!

EXT. MEDIUM-SIZED HOME IN A SMALL NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE DESERT

Maya and Mo approach the front door and Mo pulls out her
phone to start recording. Maya stops and reaches to lower
the phone.

MAYA
Let's hold off on the video for
now.

MO
But that's our whole thing!

MAYA
I know, but I want to respect her
situation. She may not wanna be put
on blast like that.

Mo reluctantly lowers the phone as Maya RINGS the doorbell.
After a few moments, LISA (early 40's) opens the door,
wearing sweats, with an adorable little BOY (2) on her hip.
He buries his head into Lisa's shoulder at the sight of 2
strangers.

LISA
Hi can I help you?

MAYA
Hi are you Lisa?

LISA
Yes, that's me.

MAYA
Hi. I'm Maya and this is Mo. We're
the ones doing to Lotto Love
giveaway?

LISA
Ooooh! I knew you looked familiar!
I'm sorry, I'm not really on social
media. My friend told me to submit
that video, and I thought it
couldn't hurt, right?

MAYA

Right.

LISA

Wait. Why are you here? I didn't win, did I?

MAYA

Well, actually we were very touched by your video so we wanted to come tell you in person that we would be honored to be able to help you out.

Lisa's eyes well up with gratitude and tears stream down her face as she reaches for Maya. Maya gives Lisa a tight hug and Mo follows right behind, hugging Lisa in celebration.

LISA

Please, please. Come in.

Maya and Mo follow Lisa in and the door shuts behind them.

MONTAGE as Maya and Mo finish up their road trip, renewed by their change in approach.

- The girls drive with a fresh perspective. Rather than focusing on tourist attractions and fancy hotels, they travel with purpose, more aware of where there may be needs they can fill

- They visit a homeless shelter, help to serve food, talk to the residents and donate to the organization as they depart

- A video is submitted with a child who appears to be very sick. Maya and Mo go to visit the child in the hospital, bringing him a few small gifts and giving his mother a envelope of cash to help with medical bills

- The girls drive in silence in the car, reflecting on their trip and dreading the end of their time together

END MONTAGE

EXT. UNIVERSITY CAMPUS DORMS

Maya and Mo have just finished emptying the car and moving Maya into the dorms. Mo gets ready to leave in the car.

MAYA

OK, let's make this short and sweet.

MO

Sounds good.

They do their secret dance/handshake.

MAYA

These last couple months have been
the best time of my life.

MO

Same.

MAYA

I wouldn't have wanted to do it
with anyone else. So thanks for
indulging me!

MO

Like I would have let you go
without me!

MAYA

True. Hey, I wanted to give you
something.

Maya pulls out an envelope from her jacket pocket.

MAYA (CONT'D)

I have one more giveaway to do.

She hands the envelope to Mo.

MO

What's this?

MAYA

You've always supported me in
anything I had my heart set on. And
when I said I want to drive for two
months cross-country, you didn't
hesitate one bit. Now, I want to
support you in the dreams you have
for your life.

I don't want you to have to worry
about money right now. Go, explore
the things you love. Go seek
clarity, and when you find it, I
pray this will help eliminate any
roadblocks that try to stand in
your way.

MO

Maya. I can't accept...

MAYA

I'm not asking. You deserve it. You
deserve to achieve your dreams!

MO

I don't know what to say.

MAYA

So just give me a hug and get
going!

They hug with tears in their eyes, but say nothing else. As
they pull away, they do the hand sign for Lotto Love and Mo
gets in the car and drives off.

FADE TO BLACK

THE END

