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“They’re leggings,” I said, yanking the cap up, “not tights.” Usually, I didn’t get that tingly feeling before a performance until I was just about to go on stage. Not today; my head was already spinning.

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Don't forget to start a new line for each new speaker! **You will need to rewrite the extract.**

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“Ooh, nice tights, Ash,” said Janelle, sticking her head round the door.

“They’re leggings,” I repeated, trying to untwist the left leg.

“Hey, no judgement from me. I’m wearing tights, too.”