

Chapter 25.

The note from Lily is a moment in the story where someone has a genuine connection with Conor:

"Lily was sitting across the aisle, where she'd sat throughout all the years they'd been in school together. She kept looking up at Mrs. Marl, but her fingers were slyly holding out a note.

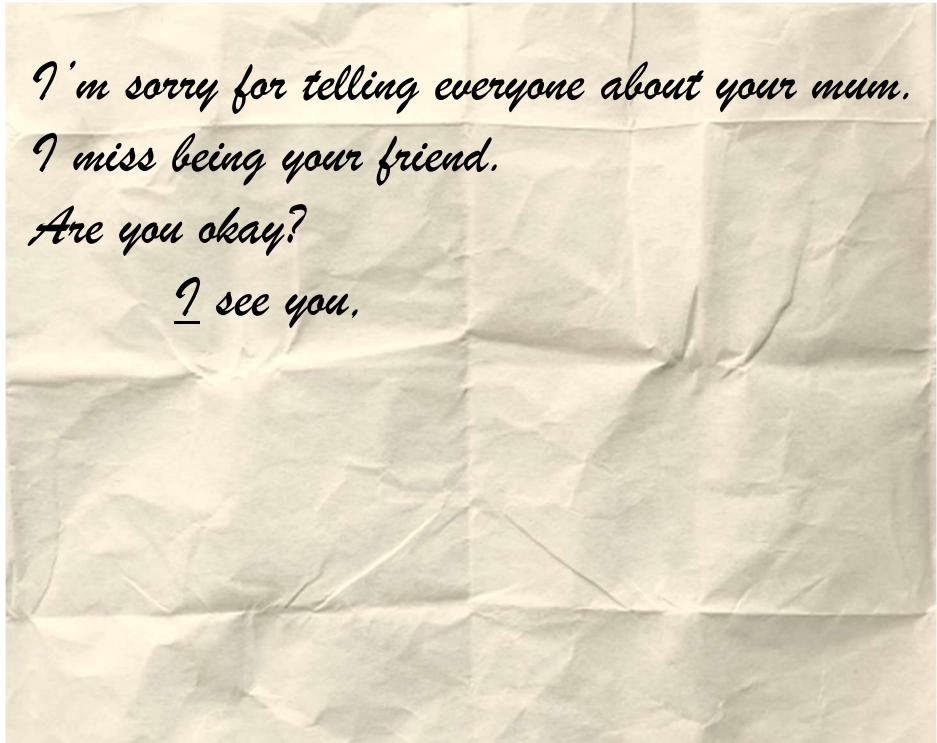
A note for Conor.

"Take it," she whispered out of the side of her mouth, gesturing with the note."



Then...

"He looked back over to Lily, who was busy receiving all kinds of praise from Mrs. Marl, but he could see that she was blushing furiously and not just because of what Mrs. Marl was saying.



Mrs. Marl moved on, passing lightly over Conor. When she was gone, Lily looked at him. Looked him right in the eye. And she was right. She saw him, really saw him. He had to swallow before he could speak.

“Lily—” he started to say, but the door to the classroom opened and the school secretary entered, beckoning to Mrs. Marl and whispering something to her.”

Task: Finish off what you think Conor may have said to Lily...