

My Makeover

(excerpted from the young adult novel *K My Name Is Kendra*)
by Kamichi Jackson

Life has been so weird since my makeover. I've gotten so much more attention from people. By people I mostly mean boys, which has Mama running around overtime on chastity patrol. She says my body is too mature for a girl my age. That I have too many curves going every which way, my breasts are too big for my own good, and I have too much junk in the trunk. You would think I look like Tyra Banks the way she talks about me to her friends. My skin is not that light, my hair is not that long (unless I'm rockin' braids like I sometimes do), and my eyes are not even close to green. I don't see why she needs to worry about anyone wanting to touch me.

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