BROKE BOYS

"101"

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COLD OPEN

INT. MARY'S LIVING ROOM - DAY

A group of young adults in the mid to late 20's are searching an apartment for easter eggs laughing and making jokes. OMAR (Indian, mid 20's), fueled with anger, rushes in holding a DVD copy of The Big Sick and starts yelling at MARY (White, mid 20's). Kareem (Indian, mid-20's) stuggles to keep up with him.

OMAR

You think you're so clever! I knew it. You think my life is like The Big Sick. You felt sorry for the way that I grew up and wanted me to fall in love with you so you could "save" me from my family and religion.

It is clear they are in a relationship with one another. Or at least used to be.

OMAR (CONT'D)

But let me tell you that is not true. I don't need to be saved I love my culture, I love my family, and Easter SUCKS. I don't need you to live a happy life and I'm tired of always having to explain myself to you.

(beat)

And I also don't eat BLTs. Ever.

Everyone at the party is shocked. Omar realizes how much of a fool he has made of himself and stands in shock.

KAREEM

Hey buddy, I think it's time to go. We weren't going to win that Easter Egg hunt anyways.

(to Mary)

I am so very sorry for what he said and for making things awkward, we are just going to see ourselves out.

As Kareem guides Omar out, Omar tosses the DVD case away and knocks over a vase which start a Rube Goldberg machine chain reaction, knocking a painting off the wall, which hits a guitar, that falls and hits all the drinks, that spill onto the table and couch, while also knocking over a candle that lands on the floor setting the carpet on fire.

Everyone starts screaming.

CUT TO:

EXT. MOSQUE - DAY

OMAR and KAREEM (Both Indian, mid 20's) are standing in the back lot of the local Mosque handing out food to people as they pass by. Omar is blatantly looking at his phone while handing out food and this is annoying Kareem.

KAREEM

(passing out food)
Here you go sister, here you go brother.

Kareem is about to hand out some food and then immediately jerks his hand away.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

Hey no! Adam absolutely not. Get out of line we're still cleaning the boys bathroom because of the last time you had dairy. There is pizza over there I will not carry the blame for your actions.

Omar is still on his phone. It is clear he is trying to escape the guilt he is in through social media. He passes out food to the people in line without even looking at them.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

(to Omar)

Dude get off your phone, I don't really want to be here either but the good deeds don't count if you're distracted, and after the stunt you pulled at Mary's we both know you need them so start passing out the food.

Omar finally looks up from his phone.

OMAR

Ok relax it wasn't that bad. We were only together for a few months she'll get over it.

You got into a haram relationship with a girl you knew you were going to break up with, then you permanently ruined Easter for her, and now you have to pay for all the damages of her party as an apology. You should be thanking me for getting us this gig.

(beat)
I mean sure it doesn't actually pay, but it pays here.

Kareem touches Omar's heart.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

And that's all that matters. The rewards are plentiful in Jennah. (beat)

If you end up making it there.

RANDOM ELDERLY WOMAN

Mashallah!

Kareem smiles at the woman and hands her some food.

OMAR

What like she didn't deserve it? She was constantly telling me to just leave my family and be with her like I was some sort of refugee.

KAREEM

Did she deserve to have her house turned into the literal pits of hell? No. I don't think she deserved that.

Omar rolls his eyes and immediately goes to Mary's instagram and pulls up a picture of her and her family at Easter. Omar notices something is off about the photo. He goes into his camera roll and pulls up the same photo and sees that he is also in it. She cropped him out.

Omar frowns and is visibly annoyed. He goes on Tinder to try and distract himself but Kareem keeps rambling while passing out food.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

I made a promise to your Mom when I was 8 that I would make sure you didn't end up in hell and I am keeping it, so I'd be on my best behavior if I were you- Here you go brother- You know they have Hajj on Twitch now? - I hope you enjoy sister- My boy Malik in Mecca livestreams every Tuesday. He's trying to get a Fatwa right now so everyone who watches also completes their Hajj. You should look into watching it.

Kareem sees Omar swiping.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

Bro. Really? In God's house? Do you know how bad it is going to make me look having the best friend who went to hell? I do all this for you only to see you simping after women. At least go on Muzz Match or something Astaghfirullah.

OMAR

Ok I am not simping, and my Mom also made you promise that we would pass the 3rd grade with all A's.

Adam runs by with a slice of pizza in his hand.

OMAR (CONT'D)

So instead of giving Adam enough ammunition to clog all the toilets in the boys restroom let's focus on getting the money to pay for Mary's party.

KAREEM

Don't worry about the money man things always have a way of working themselves out.

OMAR

Oh no I am going to worry. I am in the religious dog house right now and getting this money can fix that. But no, instead you want me to watch some guy say "thank you Chunky Chunky 69 for the 8 gifted subs" while he's in line for zam zam water.

You really think getting her the money will magically fix everything?

Omar has a dissatisfied look on his face.

Two women walk by, they are talking to each other. Omar hands them two plates filled with food. They both thank him.

WOMAN 1

She found him online randomly. They were literally across the globe and somehow they found each other.

WOMAN 2

Wow I can't even find someone reliable to fix my phone at the Apple store down the street, let alone a husband halfway across the world.

Kareem's eyes light up. He has an idea.

TITLE SEQUENCE

EXT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - THE NEXT DAY

Omar and Kareem are standing outside JOHN'S TOY STORE. Both of them are wearing blue shirts and khaki pants. They look like off brand Apple store employees. Kareem is beaming with confidence but Omar is panicking.

OMAR

Maybe we should just go back to the Masjid. I think you were on to something with the heart stuff-

KAREEM

No man you think we can't do this? It's easy, we just walk in, take a look at the computer, turn it on and off again, fix the problem, and get paid. Don't worry, we have the secret weapon.

Kareem holds up a book that says "PC's for dummies".

OMAR

That's the secret weapon? That book is not going to help us, we don't know shit about computers!

(pointing to himself and Omar)

That's why it's for dummies! And honestly that's-

Kareem looks up at the sign of the building. We see John's Toy store in funny letters with a Bunny mascot next to it. The sign looks like it has outlived the last 5 Presidents.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

John's fault for responding to a Craig's list tech support ad. What could he realistically expect?

OMAR

You put us up on Craigs list!? As tech support!? I thought you knew this guy!?

KAREEM

Omar, you need the money. You told me to figure it out so I figured it out.

(beat)

Besides, who isn't going to hire two Indian dudes to fix their computer.

Omar shoots Kareem a knowing look.

OMAR

You are setting our people back.

KAREEM

Don't worry about that. It's almost two, we can't let John think that we're not punctual it hurts the company's brand.

OMAR

What company!?

KAREEM

Oh yeah I almost forgot.

Kareem hands Omar a name tag that says his name and "O.K. Computer fixer upers" underneath that it says "we help people who need it". The tag looks like something you would find off a pintrest mood board.

OMAR

Have you even listened to a Radiohead song before?

No but odds are John and every other white person that hires us has. It's a conversation starter, now let's go.

Kareem and Omar walk into the store. Kareem has a pep in his step and Omar slugs behind.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - DAY

Omar and Kareem enter the Toy Store. It is filled with novelty toys for children of all ages. There are no people inside besides one WOMAN (mid 20's) behind the counter.

KAREEM

Hi nice to meet you, I'm Kareem and this is my partner Omar from OK Computer fixer upers we are looking for John?

LAUREN

No way OK Computer? That's like my favorite album of all time such a sick name for a company.

Kareem shoots Omar a look of satisfaction. Omar rolls his eyes.

LAUREN (CONT'D)

I'm Lauren the manager of the store, nice to meet you.

Lauren shakes hands with Kareem and Omar.

KAREEM

Nice to meet you Lauren, glad some of us appreciate the classics am I right?

Kareem looks over at Omar.

LAUREN

Oh of course! John should be coming in soon, till then I can explain a little bit of the problem.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

Lauren takes Kareem and Omar in to the back area of the store.

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE

Lauren walks into the back of the Toy Store and slaps the computer that is sitting at the desk. It looks like it was probably used to send Neil Armstrong to the moon.

LAUREN

So we have had this bad boy in the store since '03 but John has had it for way longer than that. It's served us well but lately it won't load our backend revenue and sales software that we use to track our daily revenue along with our profit margins for the week and quarter. I think the problem has to do with either the API system we use with Square not functioning like it's supposed to or the SQL database is not interacting with our front end for some reason.

(beat)

But what do I know, you both are the experts right!

Omar and Kareem are shocked they sit there in silence hoping their Indian genes kick in and magically give them the solution, that's how desperate and lost they are.

KAREEM

(beat)

You got it boss! We'll have it up and running in no time!

LAUREN

That's what I love to hear! I'm not going to lie, I was a little skeptical of you two at first, but now I know John made the right decision. Login info is on the desk and I'll be in the front if you need me.

Lauren leaves the room.

OMAR

(to Kareem)

Nice going Steve Jobs.

KAREEM

What! I thought it wouldn't be that bad, I didn't know they were going to have actual computer problems.

Just then the door to the store opens. JOHN (late 40's white man) walks in.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE MAIN ROOM - CONTINUOUS

LAUREN

Hey John, the tech guys are in the back working on the computer. Did you know their company name is OK Computer fixer upers? Isn't that great?

JOHN

Ha! Well would you look at that. That is just so clever! Where do people come up with these things.

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

KAREEM

Ok here is the plan. I am going to go distract John and buy us some time. After about 5 minutes come out and say that the problem is that they have a virus or some shit and we'll need to get corporate involved. Then we will dip and never come back.

OMAR

Come on man that's not right we can't do that to him.

KAREEM

Oh now you want to be Mr. fucking moral high ground?

OMAR

You said it yourself, I need to be on my best behavior I can't hurt another person again.

KAREEM

(thinks to himself)
Fine. Then while I'm talking to
him, you can start googling what
the fuck an API is.

Kareem walks out of the back room and into the main room.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE

Kareem walks up to John and shakes his hand.

KAREEM

Hi John, I'm Kareem from OK Computer fixer upers. How are you today.

JOHN

Hey Kareem, I am doing pretty good how about yourself?

KAREEM

Can't complain! Now I've heard you have some of the largest selections of hot wheels is that true?

JOHN

Oh you bet your bottom dollar it's true. We have everything, cars, tracks, launchers, I actually have a personal contact at Mattel if you ever need anything.

John winks at Kareem.

JOHN (CONT'D)

I would show you the complete list, but that darn computer in the back keeps breaking.

KAREEM

So I have heard. (beat)

Now tell me what operating system is this computer running?

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

Omar is pacing back and forth reading the PC's for dummies book.

OMAR

An API or Application Programming Interface is a set of functions and procedures allowing the creation of applications that access the features or data of an operating system, application, or other service.

(beat)

I'm so fucked.

Omar tosses the book onto the desk and holds his head in his hands. He gets up and gives himself a pep talk slapping his face and staring at the computer.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Ok Omar you got this. It's a computer, what a bunch of ones and zeros? It can't be that hard, let's just turn it on and see what we're working with here.

Omar wakes the computer up and sees a nice peaceful landscape on the screen. For a moment he feels alright. He looks at the login information and enters it into the computer.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Username-

(beat)

John's computer. How original. Password-

(beat)

Mary had a little lamb 99. That's cute I guess.

Omar hits the enter button on the keyboard and the computer unlocks showing the home screen. Omar's eye's immediately widen and his face drops in horror. He can't believe what he sees.

On the computer screen is a picture of MARY and her family at Easter. The same one that Omar is cropped out of. John is Mary's father. Omar is horrified.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - DAY

KAREEM

Now don't get me wrong, Kid A is legendary, absolute classic.

JOHN

Of course.

Kareem and John are by the hot wheels isle of the store, Kareem is leaning on a life size version Barbie.

KAREEM

But there is just something about OK Computer that sets it apart. It seems like they needed to make OK Computer to make Kid A, it laid the groundwork for their more experimental stuff in the future-

OMAR (O.S.)

Hey Kareem, I think I need your help with the uh-

(beat)

The API configuration.

Kareem is visibly confused, but shrugs it off as if he knows what that means.

KAREEM

Excuse me John I'll be right back.

Kareem walks into the back room.

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

KAREEM

You know, that John guy is pretty cool actually, he really understands-

OMAR

Kareem.

Kareem does not hear Omar and keeps going.

KAREEM

The nuances of art you know, I felt like I could have a conversatio-

OMAR

Kareem!

Kareem still does not hear Omar he is too busy falling for John.

KAREEM

Maybe we can just work for John? I wonder if this place pays benefits-

Omar grabs Kareem and shoves him in front of the computer showing him the picture of John with Mary.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

(beat)

Oh boy this is really bad.

(beat)

Maybe he still doesn't know who you are.

OMAR

Mary tells her parents everything. He 100% knows who I am and he 100% does not want to see or interact with me. I can't believe you got me wrapped up in this shit again, you always do this!

KAREEM

I always do this? I am trying to help you right now. Literally everything that I do is to help you.

OMAR

Have you thought that maybe I don't need the help? I was doing just fine until you decided to become a business owner.

KAREEM

You're just jealous that I had the idea and not you.

OMAR

No, I am mad at the fact that I'm now trapped in this back room with no way out because of you.

KAREEM

Relax dude, we will get out. You need to have more faith in me.

OMAR

No you are always critiquing me and my life calling me a bad Muslim for doing this and doing that it's ridiculous like I don't already feel that pressure from everyone else. Pretty hypocritical if you ask me like your life isn't perfect Mr. Jack Daniels?

There is a pause. Kareem is in shock. This is a low blow and they both know it.

KAREEM

(beat)

Fine. Since it's obvious you don't need my help, I guess you can handle this on your own.

Kareem takes off his name tag and leaves the back room. Omar is now alone.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

Kareem makes his way to the front door.

KAREEM

Well John, it looks like my colleague has this pretty much wrapped up. He should be done in a few minutes so I am going to head out and he can give you the rundown when he finishes up. It was a pleasure meeting you and I just sent the invoice.

JOHN

Thank you Kareem it sure was I'll get on that invoice right away.

Kareem exits the store.

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

Omar sits in the back of the toy store alone. He knows that he messed up. He stares at the computer, it has the broken back-end screen up. He walks over and minimizes the window showing the picture of John with Mary.

He looks around the room, it is clear he needs to get out of there. Omar walks around searching for a back door. He doesn't find one and starts to panic running around the room. He kicks a shelf out of anger.

OMAR

Fuck!

A mascot Bunny Head falls to his feet It looks at him dead in the eyes.

OMAR (CONT'D)

What are you looking at?

The bunny head doesn't respond. Omar gets more frustrated.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Stop looking at me like that ok I know I fucked up, but you don't even know the half of what it's like to be me. I am living in a world where everyone around me constantly breaks every moral rule I live by and you think it doesn't wear me down? You think I don't want to be him?

Omar points at the life-sized cut out of KEN. He has that stupid, devious smile on his face.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Ken doesn't have any of the problems that I have. He has no quilt being with Barbie. If he wants to break up with her he can, his parents will understand, you see how many different kinds Barbies they make now? There are plenty of other dream houses in Malibu he can go to, but not for me. I don't want to drink because it gets me drunk, I don't want to eat a BLT because it tastes good, I don't want to be in a relationship because I like having sex. I want to do all of those things just so that I can fit in. So he

(pointing to Ken)
Can like me and so I don't hate
myself every time I step outside of
my fucking house.

Omar is out of breath. He paces back and forth before going back in.

OMAR (CONT'D)

But if I do any of that I go to hell? I don't want to go to hell. But I also don't want to stop believing in God. So instead I lose my best friend and hurt all the people around me, all because I want you and Ken to like me? How is that fair?

The head continues to look back at Omar with no response.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Come on tell me! How is that fair!?

The still has no response.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Say something!

Omar walks next to the bunny head and sits down next to it in silence for a moment. Defeated.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Holy shit I need to get out of here.

He stares at the computer across from him for a little longer then his eyes light up. He picks up the head and grabs the rest of the costume from the shelf.

He awkwardly puts on the Bunny Mascot costume. While struggling he accidentally knocks over a bag of Cheetos and they get all over the suit.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Come on really!

He wipes off as much of the orange dust as possible and finishes putting the suit on. He walks to the door leading to the main room but stops. He stares at the computer screen. He notices something.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Wait a minute.

Omar walks over to the computer and sees something on the screen.

OMAR (CONT'D)

API Authentication token. It's empty. That's it! It just needs the authentication key, where do I find that?

Omar looks around and finds the PC for dummies book he tries to open it but can't with the mascot hands.

OMAR (CONT'D)

Stupid hands.

Omar struggles to take the hands off and eventually does, he opens the book and skims through it.

OMAR (CONT'D)

The API authentication token can be found on the account the API drives from. It is important to write it down as you only get one.

Omar looks around on the computer and finds a file called passwords, he opens it and sees the API Token. He copies and pastes it into the empty field and sure enough it starts to work.

He jumps up and starts dancing in celebration. He high fives Ken in excitement and kisses the PC for Dummies book. OMAR (CONT'D)

Kareem you are a fucking genius! I can't believe your stupid book actually got us-

Omar looks around and realizes Kareem isn't with him. He stands in silence for a moment. Omar, now determined, puts on the Bunny head and heads out of the room.

EXT. SIDEWALK - DAY

Kareem walks on the sidewalk in anger. He kicks all the rocks in his path onto the road beside him.

KAREEM

(Mocking Omar)

"Well your life isn't perfect either." What the fuck man that's fucked up and he knows it.

Kareem walks past an older homeless man with a cardboard sign that reads "Just need enough to get a beer. Anything helps." The man sees Kareem and makes eye contact with him.

HOMELESS MAN

Can you spare anything for me young man?

Kareem is very dismissive, now is not the time for him to be wasting his money.

KAREEM

No I don't have anything.

HOMELESS MAN

Do you have the time? The bar closes early at 6pm today and I only need 8 more dollars for that beer.

This really bothers Kareem. He stops and stares at the man.

KAREEM

No man, I don't have the time. Figure it out yourself.

Kareem starts to walk away from the old man.

HOMELESS MAN

Whats in your pockets are always worth more to someone else than to you, don't let it go to waste. Be kind and may God bless you.

Kareem stops, rolls his eyes and puts his hands in his pockets.

KAREEM

Look dude I don't even have any money in my-

He pulls out the name tag that he took off. He stops in his tracks and looks down at the poorly made plastic tag focusing on the writing.

"We help people who need it"

Kareem stares at the words taking them in and then looks back at the man. He puts the tag back on and reaches into his pocket and pulls out his phone and a 10 dollar bill.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

It's 4:30 right now.

Kareem is about to hand the money to the man, but then he stops.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

I know what the sign says and it's your life so you live it, but I can't really be giving you money to buy alcohol because thats like kind of against my religion and I'm pretty sure the good deed of giving you the money will cancel out with the bad deed of using it for beer, but I also failed math in high school so I'm not really sure how that cancelling out shit works, but can you just do me a solid and just get like a Shirley Temple or something so we all can benefit from this?

The homeless man laughs.

HOMELESS MAN

My brother, I don't drink either but putting this on the sign gets people to be the most generous. It's funny how the world works. May your blessings be plentiful in Jennah. As-Salaam-Alaikum brother.

Kareem is shocked. It was as if God was testing him in that very moment.

(dumbfounded)

Wa-Alaikum-Salaam.

Kareem immediately turns around and heads for the toy store. The man continues to hold his sign waiting for the next person to pass by.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - DAY

John and Lauren are at the front of the store chatting.

LAUREN

They're a band called Been Stellar, it's a play off of the actor Ben Stiller and they are going to be the next big thing just wait.

JOHN

You don't say-

OMAR (O.S.)

Hey Lauren I think I figured it out can you come in here?

LAUREN

Oh great! I'll be right there!

Lauren walks into the back room.

INT. BACK ROOM OF JOHN'S TOY STORE - CONTINUOUS

Lauren walks into the back room and sees Omar in the bunny suit with the head on. He is wildly confused.

LAUREN

What the hell are you doing?

OMAR

I will explain everything but can you just grab my coat from that locker over there.

Lauren walks over to the locker.

LAUREN

I mean sure but then you have to tell me what in the-

Omar walks behind Lauren and trips on a Barbie box on the ground.

OMAR

Shit! How do you see anything out of this thing?

LAUREN

It honestly takes a lot of practice and finessing, I actually now have it as a skill on my resume-

Omar pushed Lauren into the locker and closes it.

LAUREN (CONT'D)

What the fuck! Let me out what are you doing!?

OMAR

Lauren I am so so sorry, you seem really cool and I love the fact that you are so into Radiohead and one day I am going to buy you their whole discography on vinyl or something but right now I really need to get the fuck out of here.

LAUREN

Hey let me out!

Omar leaves the back room.

INT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - DAY

John sees the bunny suit and is confused.

JOHN

Lauren? Why are you in the suit? And why is there orange dust on it? Did you spill Cheetos on it again? We talked about this you know how hard it is to dry clean that thing.

Omar just waives and keeps walking.

JOHN (CONT'D)

You know you don't have to be in character, I'm 48 years old you can just talk to me. Can you please take the suit off?

Omar trips and falls. When he hits the ground the head of the suit falls off revealing his face to John.

OMAR

Ouch! Fuck that hurt!

JOHN

Holy shit. Well I'll be damned.

There is a pause in the air John is in shock and Omar is too embarrassed to speak.

OMAR

Look I can explain everything, you see Kareem wanted to me to watch this twitch stream to get good deeds and-

JOHN

You are the little shit who broke my Mary's house on fire! And now you came back to fuck with me and my business!? I can't believe it, do you get off ruining people lives? Huh? I make my business open to you, I pay you and you just come in here with your stupid friend and waste my time and try to steal my bunny suit! I bet you didn't even fix my computer. Oh I can't wait to tell the police this.

OMAR

Ok now let's not take things that far ok. I am so sorry for what I did to your daughter, but on the bright side I actually did fix your-

KAREEM (O.S.)
I MADE YOUR MOM A PROMISE!

Omar and John both turn and look at the front door to find Kareem standing proudly, and slightly out of breath from running.

JOHN

What the fuck is going on!?

OMAR

Kareem! You're back! I mean your timing could have been a little better sure, but I'll take it.

KAREEM

You really think I would just leave you?

Omar and Kareem smile at each other.

JOHN

Where the fuck is Lauren?

OMAR

Oh yeah she's uhh- in the back.

Omar shoots a look at Kareem.

KAREEM

(catching on)

In fact John let me take you to her and we will get this whole thing sorted, I deeply apologize this is not how Ok Computer fixer upers operates as a business I can assure you our Yelp reviews speak very highly of us.

Kareem leads John to the back room and gives Omar a nod. Omar begins to make his way to the front door.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

Ok so if you look here-

Kareem opens the door and pushes John in and closes the door. He sprints to the front with Omar and they both run out of the toy store laughing.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

(to John)

Everyone just uses Amazon for toys now anyways!

EXT. SIDEWALK - DAY

Omar and Kareem turn the corner they stop and are breathing heavy from running and laughing.

OMAR

I have to take this off before I get heat stroke.

KAREEM

(pointing to the suit)
I'm surprised you were able to keep up with me in that thing.

OMAR

It's a skill. I am definitely putting it on my resume.

Look man I'm sorry I left you, I shouldn't have and from now on I am on your side, full support.

OMAR

No man I'm sorry, you only wanted whats best for me and I shouldn't have taken that for granted and said what I said, it was fucked up. You are the best friend anyone could ask for.

Omar and Kareem try to hug it out but it is awkward because Omar now 7 inches wider and more furry in the bunny suit.

KAREEM

Why does this suit smell like hot Cheetos? Can you please take that off before I start vomiting.

OMAR

Oh yeah I have kind of gone nose blind to it at this point.

Omar takes off the suit and stares at it.

KAREEM

Oh no man I know that look.

OMAR

We have to return the suit.

Kareem turns away and throws his hands up.

KAREEM

Bro come on we finally got out, I had my triumphant return, just leave it here he can get another one from the Party City next door.

OMAR

No, I can't that's not right. We need to do this.

Kareem knows Omar is right.

KAREEM

Fine. But if we get caught this time it's every man for himself.

Omar glares at Kareem.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

Kidding!

EXT. JOHN'S TOY STORE - DAY

Omar and Kareem sneak around to the front of the store and peak in through the glass while behind a parked car. They see John and Lauren walking around the store picking things up.

KAREEM

There is no way we pull this off.

OMAR

Not with that attitude we don't! There has to be a way to get the suit in the store without us getting into the store.

Just then Kareem sees two middle school kids with backpacks walking down the street. His eyes light up.

KAREEM

I got it.

Kareem looks at the kids

KAREEM (CONT'D)

(softly)

Hey! Kid! Come over here!

The two kids walk over to Kareem.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

You guys like Hot Wheels?

KID 1

My parents said not to take anything from strangers especially if they're are old men.

KAREEM

What I'm not even that oldwhatever I'm not giving you the Hot Wheels. If you take this rabbit suit and give it to the man in that store I'll give you 20 bucks to buy some Hot Wheels.

KID 1

Does the store sells V-Bucks?

KAREEM

Sell what?

KID 1

(condescendingly)

V-Bucks... Fortnite. Jesus you are an old man.

The kid laughs and daps up his friend.

KAREEM

I'm old enough to take your Mom out on a date that's for sure.

OMAR

Kareem! You can't say that!

KAREEM

What! He walked right into it!

The kids both laugh.

KID 1

Alright this guy's got jokes. I'll do it, but it's gotta be 40. Can't leave Dustin hanging.

The kid daps up his friend again.

KAREEM

What no way absolutely not.

OMAR

Kareem! Just do it!

Kareem reaches into his pocket but only has 10 dollars left.

KAREEM

Damn I used the other 10 to give that Muslim homeless guy money to buy beer.

OMAR

You What!!??

KAREEM

Don't worry I'll explain later it's not as bad as you think.

(to the kid)

All I have is 30 buck so deal with it.

KID 1

Fine.

And the most important thing to remember is do NOT tell the man in the store that we gave you the suit.

KID 1

Whatever.

Kareem hands the kid the money and the suit.

KID 1 (CONT'D)

Why does it smell like old Cheetos?

KAREEM

(looking at Omar)

I'm thinking the same thing.

OMAR

(to the kids)

Can you just go! This is not the time!

The kids walk up to the door and go inside. Kareem and Omar watch on nervously.

The kids hand John the suit and talk to him for a moment.

KAREEM

What are they saying to him?

OMAR

I don't know but I don't see the words Hot Wheels being mouthed at all.

John smiles and pats the kids heads. He doesn't take the money but instead hands both of them Fortnite V-Bucks cards. The kids get excited and hit the griddy in celebration.

KAREEM

Hm. I guess they do sell V-Bucks.

OMAR

I guess that's how he stays in business.

John talks to the kids again and the kids immediately turn towards Omar and Kareem and point at them. John looks and sees both of them.

KAREEM

Oh shit! Run! Run!

Omar and Kareem run away and get in their car.

INT. KAREEM'S CAR - DAY

OMAR

Wow I'm glad we got out of that one. Too bad we couldn't get paid. (beat)

But it's alright, we'll figure it out.

Kareem smiles.

KAREEM

I'd say we deserve it to an extent we did basically scam this man in trying to fix our own problems so it actually makes sense we came out with a net zero.

Just then Kareem gets a notification on his phone.

KAREEM (CONT'D)

Holy shit. John just paid us. But it's only half his note says "need to pay for dry cleaning. Thanks for fixing the computer." You fixed it!?

OMAR

Yes we did don't worry.

Kareem smiles at Omar. They both sit in the car satisfied.

OMAR (CONT'D)

We still need the second half of the money though.

KAREEM

Don't worry I already have the next gig lined up.

OMAR

Oh boy.

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INT. OMAR'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Omar is on his laptop. He is on Twitch watching Kareem's friend Malik at Hajj.

MALIK

And as you can see- thank you Abdul-Rahman for the 8 gifted subs!- The line this time is not too long for the Zam Zam water. And great news everyone, the fatwa was approved so you can now all complete Hajj with me Inshallah!

OMAR

(typing)

Absolutely Poggers! Mashallah!

He hits enter and smiles.