The Blind Date

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FADE IN:

EXT. PARK - DAY

JEREMY paces next to a blanket with a picnic basket. He’s wearing a bow tie and he’s nervous as hell.

JEREMY
I hope I’m not too early. I think I’m too early. Oh my god, Jeremy, you’ve got to stop sweating. Just... be cool.

(cheerful)
Hi! I’m Jeremy.

(frowns, tries a deeper voice)
Hi. I’m Jeremy.

(more suave)
Hi. I’m... Jeremy

JAMSMINE (O.S.)

Hi Jeremy.

Jeremy jumps and turns. Enter Jasmine. She’s in a mini-skirt and a tube top. She walks sexily up to Jeremy.

JAMSMINE (cont’d)
I’m Jasmine.

JEREMY (cont’d)
I’m very pleased to make your acquaintance, Jasmine.

Jasmine comes closer. She’s making Jeremy sweat.

JAMSMINE
I usually don’t try online dating, but when I read your profile I just HAD to see for myself.

JEREMY
Can I get you anything? An apple? Maybe a Coke?

JAMSMINE
You’re cuter than I remember.

JEREMY
Uh, thank you. Are you sure? A coke, maybe?
JAMSMINE
(motioning to blanket)
Why don’t we get more comfortable?

JEREMY
Okay.

They sit on the blanket. Jeremy checks out the surroundings. Jasmine checks out Jeremy.

JEREMY (cont’d)
It sure is nice today.

JAMSMINE
(eyeing Jeremy)
Gorgeous.

Jasmine inches closer to Jeremy. She plays with his bow tie.

JAMSMINE (cont’d)
So... what do you think we should do?

Jeremy pulls a checkerboard out of his picnic basket.

JEREMY
I thought we could play some checkers. I also made us some tuna sandwiches.

JAMSMINE
Really? Because I thought we could--

JEREMY
--Oh! I also brought playing cards.

JAMSMINE
I was thinking something else...

JEREMY
Like what?

JASMINE
You know...

JEREMY
I’m... not sure what you’re talking about.

Jasmine inches closer to Jeremy.
JAMSMINE

Well, IT.

JEREMY

It?

JAMSMINE

Yes, IT. Didn’t you want to DO IT?

JEREMY

I don’t think I’m following you. It? As in, Tag, you’re it?

Jasmine’s practically on top of Jeremy at this point.

JAMSMINE

Not exactly. I mean, what did you think we were going to do out here?

JEREMY

I love the park! And I just thought privacy would be nice.

JAMSMINE

Yes! Privacy would be nice! What for?

JEREMY

It?

JASMINE

That’s right. And what. Is. It?

JEREMY

I. Don’t. Know.

JASMINE

(gritting teeth)
Starts with the letter S.

JEREMY

Sssssssss.... Stratego?

JASMINE

Starts with S, rhymes with... Tyrannosaurus Rex.

JEREMY

Rhymes with Tyrannosaurus Rex? Tyrannosaurus... Sex?

JASMINE

Yes! Sex!
JEREMY

Sex?

A CAMERAMAN and a news reporter named BRIAN SOSA burst onto the scene. The anchor shoves a microphone into Jeremy’s face.

BRIAN
Hi, Jeremy. Brian Sosa, Action Nine News. How does it feel to be a pedophile?

Jasmine gets off of Jeremy and stands next to Brian.

JEREMY
What?

BRIAN
Oh, yes. Our poor innocent Jasmine was brave enough to participate in today’s bust.

JEREMY
But she... (MORE)

BRIAN
Are you denying that you tried to solicit a sexual encounter with Jasmine, who at 17 years old is well under the legal age?

JEREMY
I just wanted to play checkers...

BRIAN
(laughing)
Did you hear that, folks? Checkers! And really sir, you should lose the bow tie. It’s a dead giveaway.

JEREMY
Am I going to jail?

BRIAN
Well, no, but you are going to be the leading story on the six o’clock news.

JEREMY
(devastated)
On the news?! My mom’s gonna be so mad!