

EIGHT SECONDS

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FADE IN:

INT. APARTMENT - DAY

A HAND guides a strainer containing SAM and DAVE, two goldfish, into a fish bowl.

INT. FISH BOWL - DAY

Sam and Dave streak around the bowl, circling a little castle, exploring. They stop and face each other.

SAM

Hi! When did you get here?

DAVE

Just now! I'm Dave. Who are you?

SAM

I'm Sam. Nice to meet you! Wait, who are you again?

DAVE

Good question. Who are you?

SAM

I'm Sam! Nice to meet you.

DAVE

I'm Dave. Nice digs, huh?

SAM

What's a dig?

DAVE

This is! Our surroundings! Uh oh... Where am I?

SAM

You're here! Wherever this is. I'm Sam! And you are?

DAVE

Wait, wait, give me a minute...

Dave scratches his head with his flipper.

DAVE

I'm Dave!

SAM

Nice to meet you Dave! Wanna swim through the castle?

DAVE

Sure! Swimming through castles is fun!

SAM

We have a castle?

DAVE

I sure thought we did... Wait, there it is! Who are you again?

SAM

I'm Sam! And you are?

DAVE

Crap, this is getting annoying... wanna just swim and forget the name thing?

SAM

Sure! Swimming through castles is fun!

Dave scratches his chin with his flipper.

DAVE

Wow, deja vu...

SAM

Nice to meet you deja vu! I'm... oh hell.

DAVE

No, my name is not - well, maybe it is deja vu? No wait, it's Dave! And you are?

SAM

I'm not falling for that one again. Plus I have no idea. No wait, I'm Sam!

DAVE

Hey, I've got an idea! Wait, no I don't... No, there it is again! Let's write our names in the sand!

SAM
Good idea, deja vu!

Sam and Dave scrawl S-A-M and D-A-V-E in the gravel bottom.

DAVE
Nice work! Hey wait, I thought my
name was deja vu?

SAM
Nope, it says... oh crap, am I Sam
or Dave?

A HAND enters the bowl and puts a rock on the gravel bottom.
Sam and Dave recoil.

DAVE
Whoa, that was really scary, Sam!

SAM
How did you know my name?

DAVE
Just a guess really. Wait, where am
I?

SAM
You just got here! I'm... Wait, did
I just get here?

DAVE
Seems so. Think we've annoyed the
audience enough yet?

SAM
Probably. What's an audience?

DAVE
It's the people who watch... Do I
know you?

FADE OUT.