

KIDNAP ADVENTURE

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EXT. RESTAURANT - NEW YORK CITY - NIGHT

A LIMO pulls up in front of a very posh and upscale eating establishment on PARK AVE.

A DOOR MAN opens the door and TWO LARGE BODY GUARDS step out wearing sunglasses and earpiece microphones. They scan the crowd for anything suspicious. The coast is clear. Next out of the limo come FOUR CHILDREN.

PRINCETON (13) is a chubby boy with wavy hair and a look of pure arrogance.

PRICILLA (12) is a prima donna who looks like she is ready for a beauty pageant.

SOCRATES and ARISTOTLE (10) are twin brothers who dress nothing alike.

SOCRATES is well groomed and wears a tailored suit with a bow tie and thick glasses.

ARISTOTLE has a purple mohawk and a tie dye shirt with ripped jeans.

The RESTAURANT MANAGER waits for the children at the door and greets each child as they enter.

MANAGER

Hello Mr. Princeton, you look dashing as always.

PRINCETON

I know.

MANAGER

Hello Ms. Pricilla, you are quite the lovely lady this evening.

PRISCILLA

Whatever gross old man.

Pricilla sticks her nose in the air and walks through the

door.

MANAGER

And of course the twins. Let me guess,
you are Socrates and you are Aristotle?

Aristotle shakes his purple mohawk.

ARISTOTLE

Wrong again ass munch.

Aristotle enters the restaurant and Socrates looks down at
the ground and follows.

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

The children are quickly met by a WAITER.

WAITER

Right this way. Your parents are
waiting.

The children are led to a table where their parents are
sitting. PHILIP(50's) is the father. He is tall and well
dressed in a very expensive suit. He sips his martini with
the same hand his gold rolex watch is on.

ROSE MARY(40's) is the mother. She is beautiful and is
dressed in an elegant dress and expensive diamonds.

ROSE MARY

Oh look dear. Our children have arrived.

PHILIP

Splendid darling.

WAITERS and BUS BOYS rush to the children. They pull the
chairs out for the children. Once the children have seated
they are pushed into the table. They pour water, tea, and
juice for the children. They bring them bread and butter and
fruit. The children are being treated like royalty.

WAITER

What would you like for starters?

PRINCETON

I want a root beer float with extra ice cream and two straws.

WAITER

Yes sir.

ROSE MARY

Princeton, you haven't even had dinner yet and you are ordering dessert. Aren't you concerned about your weight?

PRINCETON

No. Being fat is a sign of being prosperous.

Pricilla pushes her glass of water away.

PRICILLA

I don't want a glass of water. I want it in a bottle. Understand? A bottle!

WAITER

Yes ma'am. I will bring you a bottled water.

He takes away Pricilla's glass.

ROSE MARY

Pricilla darling, what's wrong with your water?

PRICILLA

Mommy, it's from the tap. All the people in this dirty city touch that water.

PHILIP

Actually sweetheart, the New York City tap water is quite clean. It comes from one of the purest aquifers on earth.

PRICILLA

If it's not in a bottle I'm not drinking it.

Philip rolls his eyes at his daughter.

WAITER

And what can I get for you two?

Aristotle's purple Mohawk is partially hidden behind his menu. He looks up.

ARISTOTLE

I would like some stuffed mushroom caps.

ROSE MARY

Honey, you don't even like mushrooms.

ARISTOTLE

I do today Mom.

WAITER

And for you sir?

Socrates looks at his menu in front of him. His bow tie pulled tight. He starts to blush.

SOCRATES

Uh, uh, I don't know. Nothing I guess.

He looks down nervous.

WAITER

Okay, I'll be right back.

Aristotle looks at his twin brother.

ARISTOTLE

I can't believe we are twins. You're such a retard.

PHILIP

That's enough. We won't have that kind of talk at the dinner table.

Rose Mary changes the subject.

ROSE MARY

Princeton dear, your last grades were less than spectacular. How do you plan on getting into a good boarding school with such poor marks?

PRINCETON

With Daddy's money. That will be good enough for me to have my choice of any school I want.

ROSE MARY

Do you think all it takes is money to get into a good school?

PRINCETON

I know that is all it takes.

PHILIP

Nonsense Son. Education is the key to success. Look at me. I started with nothing and now I'm on top of the financial empire.

PRINCETON

You didn't start with nothing. You inherited millions from your father.

PHILIP

Yes, and I turned those millions into billions. Without a well disciplined mind I could have lost it all.

Aristotle is dipping his mohawk in his water.

ARISTOTLE

I would have just taken a million dollars and moved to Mexico and lived on the

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ARISTOTLE (CONT'D)

beach forever and ever.

PHILIP

That is the kind of lethargic attitude that breeds intolerance amongst societies elite.

ARISTOTLE

Whatever? Speak english Dad.

PHILIP

Socrates, explain to your twin brother what I just said.

SOCRATES

Daddy said that you're lazy and you're a leach.

ARISTOTLE

At least I didn't piss my pants today at school.

ROSE MARY

Oh honey. Did it happen again?

Socrates looks down and won't make eye contact.

ROSE MARY

Socrates, look at me. Is that bully still picking on you?

Socrates nods yes.

Rose Mary turns and glares at the BODY GUARDS who stand in the corner. She turns to her husband.

ROSE MARY

Why do we pay body guards to watch over our children and they can't even protect our son from some a bully?

PHILIP

Dear, I told them to stand down.

ROSE MARY

Stand down? Why would you do something like that?

PHILIP

Sweetie, the real issue is Socrates needs to learn to stand up for himself.

ROSE MARY

I disagree.

(to Socrates)

Tell me who this bully is. I'm going to call his mother.

Aristotle laughs and Socrates keeps looking down.

ROSE MARY

What's so funny?

ARISTOTLE

It's not a he, it's a she.

ROSE MARY

You are being bullied by a girl?

SOCRATES

At recess we were playing soccer and I'm not very good so instead of calling me Socrates she calls me Sucker Feet and everyone laughed.

ARISTOTLE

Because you suck, Sucker Feet.

ROSE MARY

That's enough.

Rose Mary rubs Socrates on his head.

ROSE MARY

Honey, why do you always pee your pants?

SOCRATES

I get nervous.

ROSE MARY

Oh my poor baby. And the body guard didn't help you at all?

SOCRATES

He helped me change my pants.

ROSE MARY

Well at least body guards are good for something.

PRINCETON

When I go to boarding school am I still going to have body guards following me around everywhere?

PHILIP

Yes.

PRINCETON

But why Dad? I hate it. It's so annoying always having someone follow you everywhere.

PRICILLA

It really is Daddy.

ARISTOTLE

Yeah Dad, they are worst then shadows.

Socrates nods in agreement.

PHILIP

It's for your own safety. A lot of people would like to get a piece of what I have and they see you as a means to achieve it.

The waiter brings a plastic bottled water to Pricilla and a

root beer float for Princeton and stuffed mushrooms for Aristotle.

ROSE MARY

Say thank you.

PRINCETON

No, we don't have to. It's his job.

ARISTOTLE

Thanks dude.

PRICILLA

I said a bottled water.

WAITER

That is a bottled water.

PRICILLA

Not the kind of bottle I wanted. This is a cheap plastic bottle.

She pushes the plastic bottle away.

PRICILLA

Now go get me a glass bottle.

The waiter picks up the plastic bottle and leaves.

PHILIP

You kids really need to learn some better manners.

ARISTOTLE

Why? We can do whatever we want. We're rich.

Aristotle takes his spoon and flings a mushroom cap across the room hitting his body guard in the face.

ARISTOTLE

Bulls eye.

The body guard is mad, but there is nothing he can do.

PHILIP

You children are privileged and should appreciate what you have. There are many kids in this world that don't even have enough to eat.

PRINCETON

Sucks to be them.

Princeton takes a big bite of his root beer float.

The waiter returns with a glass bottle of water for Pricilla.

PRICILLA

It's about time. I thought I was going to die from dehydration.

She stares at the waiter.

PRICILLA

Don't tell me you forgot a glass with ice. Do you expect me to just drink from the bottle like I'm a sailor or something?

WAITER

So you want a glass with ice in it. Is that what you are saying?

PRICILLA

Yes, a chilled glass with ice, that is what I'm saying and if you mess up again I'm going to tell my daddy to get me a different waiter.

WAITER

Yes ma'am.

Aristotle takes out his head phones and starts listening to loud music.

ROSE MARY

Aristotle that is not polite to do at the dinner table.

He can't hear his mother as he is jamming out to his music.

ROSE MARY

Aristotle, take those things out of your ears right now.

He still can't hear her. Socrates taps his twin brother on the shoulder.

ARISTOTLE

Don't touch me retard.

Socrates points at their mother. Aristotle looks at her and takes out one ear piece.

ARISTOTLE

What is it Mother?

ROSE MARY

Take off those things right now.

ARISTOTLE

But it's just getting to the good part.

PHILIP

Listen to your mother or you won't be going on our ski vacation next week.

ARISTOTLE

Alright. You're so mean.

He takes off his head phones. The waiter shows up with a glass of ice for Pricilla.

PRICILLA

What is this?

WAITER

It's your chilled glass with ice.

PRICILLA

Where's my lemon slice?

WAITER

Lemon slice?

PRICILLA

Yes, that's how sophisticated people
drink their water. Don't you know
anything?

The waiter is getting irritated.

WAITER

Well, this is a magic glass. You see,
you pour the water from the glass bottle
into the chilled glass with ice...

He pours water into the glass.

WAITER

...and a lemon should appear.

He looks at the glass.

WAITER

Hmm? That's strange. Where's the lemon?
Maybe if I dump it on your spoiled little
head.

The waiter dumps the glass of water and ice on Pricilla's
head.

Philip jumps out of his seat and the body guards attack the
waiter.

PHILIP

How dare you assault my daughter.

The MANAGER comes rushing over.

MANAGER

What is the problem?

PHILIP

This waiter just disgraced me and my family in a public display.

MANAGER

You are fired. Get your things and get out.

WAITER

Thank you.

The waiter takes off his apron and throws it to the ground. He walks away pushing his way through the body guards. A mushroom cap hits him in the back of the head.

Aristotle smiles. The waiter leaves.

MANAGER

I'm so sorry. Dinner is on the house.

PHILIP

No. The Rothstiens don't accept hand outs. We would just like a different waiter.

MANAGER

Absolutely, I will be your waiter.

PHILIP

Perfect.

(to his body guards)

Everything is fine.

The body guards go back to their corners.

MANAGER

What course are you on?

PHILIP

We were just about to order our soups.

MANAGER

Soup, yes sir. Our two soups of the day are tomato basil with fresh onions and

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MANAGER (CONT'D)
lobster bisque.

PHILIP
Excellent, I'll have the tomato basil.

ROSE MARY
I'll have the lobster bisque.

The RESTAURANT MANAGER writes down the orders and turns to the children.

PRINCETON
I'll have the lobster bisque with a whole lobster.

MANAGER
It's only a cup sir.

PRINCETON
Well you better make it a very big cup because I want a whole lobster in my soup.

MANAGER
Yes sir.

PRICILLA
I want alphabet soup with just the letters of my name in it.

MANAGER
I'm very sorry, but the two choices are the tomato basil or the the lobster bisque.

PRICILLA
I heard you the first time. I'm not deaf, but I don't want that. I want alphabet soup, and I want it to spell my name.

Manager takes a deep breathe.

MANAGER

Yes, ma'am. I'll see what I can do.

PRICILLA

No, you will do it and you better spell my name right. P,R,I,C,I,L,L,A, notice there are no S's.

MANAGER

And what would you like?

ARISTOTLE

No soup for me. Just bring me some more stuffed mushroom caps.

ROSE MARY

Honey, you hate mushrooms.

ARISTOTLE

Who says I'm going to eat them.

ROSE MARY

What are you going to do with them?

ARISTOTLE

Fling them across the room like they are fire balls from hell.

PHILIP

Aristotle, you really don't want to go skiing do you?

ARISTOTLE

Just bring them to me.

MANAGER

Yes sir.

(to Socrates)

And what would you like sir?

Socrates is nervous.

SOCRATES

Huh, I don't know.

ARISTOTLE

Come on retard, order something.

SOCRATES

Huh, huh.

ROSE MARY

Honey it's okay. Just tell the man what you want.

SOCRATES

Huh. huh.

PRICILLA

It's not brain science.

PRINCETON

You're embarrassing us. Hurry up and order.

Socrates is having a panic attack. He pees his pants and urine drains out of his pant leg.

ARISTOTLE

Gross. He's pissing his pants again.

ROSE MARY

Just bring him some french fries.

The Manager looks at the strange family and walks away as a mushroom cap hits him in the back of the head.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

Philip and Rose Mary are in an elegant bedroom.

ROSE MARY

Philip.

PHILIP

Yes dear.

ROSE MARY

I am beginning to think that our children may have a disciplinary problem.

PHILIP

Nonsense. They are just a little spoiled.

ROSE MARY

Sweetie, They are more than spoiled. They are starting to act pretty bad.

PHILIP

Maybe just a little.

ROSE MARY

A little. They make Paris Hilton look like Princess Di.

PHILIP

Honey, when you are richer than God, your kids can be little devils.

ROSE MARY

Oh Philip, what should we do? We can't let them go on acting the way they do.

PHILIP

I'm not sure. I guess we could punish them, but that doesn't seem to ever work.

ROSE MARY

I think they need counseling.

PHILIP

Really? What kind of counseling?

ROSE MARY

I don't know, maybe some sort of child sociology counseling.

PHILIP

They need something. I think I might ask P.J..

ROSE MARY

P.J.? Your economic advisor?

PHILIP

I ask him everything. Not only can he pick stocks, but he knows everything. He knows about medicine, sports, computers, gardening. I'm sure he would have an answer. He is the smartest man I know. And he's made me millions.

ROSE MARY

Maybe you should give him that raise he is always asking about.

PHILIP

That would mean less for us sweetie.

He kisses his wife and they go to bed.

INT. OFFICE - DAY

Philip is in his office over looking the busy New York Stock exchange floor.

VOICE ON INTERCOM

Mr. Rothstien, P.J. is here.

Philip pushes a button and speaks into the intercom.

PHILIP

Send him in.

A young man (28) dressed in a suit enters carrying a brief case.

P.J.

Yes sir, I have the numbers on last quarters profits.

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P.J. (CONT'D)

I think you will be pleased. A sixty percent profit.

PHILIP

Excellent.

P.J.

So sir, perhaps a raise should be in order for me, or at least make me bonus eligible. I think that is fair. My performance has proven worthy after all.

PHILIP

Let me tell you something smarty pants. Just because you make wise decisions and make me money doesn't mean it's your money. It's my money making the money. You'll get yours someday. You just have to work for it like everyone else. After all, not everyone gets things just handed to them.

P.J.

I just feel that you are being just a little bit selfish.

PHILIP

Business is business. That's just the way it is. You're practically still an intern. You can't expect to be making millions just yet, but I do have a private business proposal for you.

P.J.

Private proposal?

PHILIP

Yes. Something off the record. A personal matter.

P.J.

How much?

PHILIP

Ten thousand dollars. Just for some of your advice.

P.J.

Sure.

PHILIP

Okay good. Have a seat.

P.J. has a seat and Philip makes them both a scotch on the rocks.

PHILIP

Well, you know I am a father and you know my children.

P.J.

Yes.

PHILIP

P.J., what do you think of my children?

P.J.

I think they are very lucky.

PHILIP

What do you think of them as people, do you like them?

P.J.

Sir, they are your children. So I respect them.

PHILIP

That doesn't answer the question. Do you like them?

P.J.

I don't understand why you are asking me this question.

PHILIP

Please just answer the question and be candid. I want an honest answer. Need not worry. Any answer you give will not jeopardize you in any way. I promise. I just want an honest answer. Do you like my children?

P.J. takes a deep breath and sets down his drink.

P.J.

Sir, the honest truth is no. Your children are horrible. They are rude, disrespectful, arrogant, and mean. Except for the quite one, and he's just weird. So there is your answer. Is that honest enough?

PHILIP

I must say it is. Thank you.

P.J.

Now what? Am I fired?

PHILIP

Don't be silly, not at all. That's the answer I wanted to hear. An honest one. Which brings me to our private proposal. I will give you ten thousand dollars for advice on how to fix my children.

P.J.

What do you mean fix?

PHILIP

Make them polite and normal.

P.J. sits back in his chair. He thinks long and hard. He puts his head in his hands. He stands up and looks out the window. He closes his eyes and thinks. He opens his eyes.

P.J.

I can fix the problem.

PHILIP

You can?

P.J.

Yes, yes I can, but is going to cost more than ten thousand dollars.

PHILIP

How much more?

P.J.

Ten million dollars and I want to be made a partner.

PHILIP

You are out of your mind!

P.J.

Was I out of my mind when I told you to merge the Thomas funds with the Cleary funds and hedge the impossible take over which made you how many millions?

PHILIP

That was actually quite brilliant in hind sight.

P.J.

I'll give you advice no one else can. I can solve your problem. Just like I make you millions of dollars. I know the answer to your problem, but it's going to cost you.

PHILIP

You have never given me any bad advice and you have made this company what it is today. So sure, you fix my kids and I will give you ten million dollars.

P.J.

And partners in the firm?

PHILIP

And partners in the firm.

Philip and P.J. shake hands.

P.J.

Alright. The problem with your children is they live in a fish bowl that floats on top of the ocean. They live in a world of constant protection. They need to be tossed out of the fish bowl and into the ocean below them. They need to sink to the bottom and feel how it is to drown.

PHILIP

That's your advice? You're telling me I should throw my children into the ocean?

P.J.

Yes. I'm saying that they need to be taken from their environment and placed into one of life threatening circumstance. Think of taking your daughter out of her bed of silk sheets and sticking her in a cage with a dirty bear.

PHILIP

Your advice is too bizarre. I think you charge too much.

P.J.

I'm serious. I'm never wrong, remember.

PHILIP

I can't just put my children in cages with wild animals. That's ludicrous.

P.J.

I'm merely making an analogy. They need to be plucked out of their environment and placed in one of dire strait.

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P.J. (CONT'D)

They need to learn to look into themselves and survive with out anything. Because when you have always had everything, the one thing you are missing is nothing. Your kids need a little nothing in their lives.

PHILIP

Still your advice lacks reason. I can't just drop my kids of in the middle of the Sierra just so they can learn to have nothing. They are my children and I don't want to do anything that would put their lives at risk.

P.J.

Here is my proposal and understand that it's going to sound radical, because it is, but big problems require big solutions and your children need to be changed. If you want to have decent, considerate, appreciative children, you must do something rash. You must think outside the box. What you need to do is kidnap your own children.

PHILIP

Excuse me? What did you say?

P.J.

I said you must kidnap your own children. Next week when you go to Utah. That would be perfect.

PHILIP

I'm not going to kidnap my own children.

P.J.

Just hear me out, next week in Utah we can kidnap your children while they are skiing on their vacation. Then we take them to Southern Utah and force them to

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P.J. (CONT'D)
survive in the wild.

PHILIP
So you're saying kidnap my own children to Southern Utah to go camping and that will fix their problem. Why don't I just send them to a survival camp or an outdoor survival seminar? That seems safer. Why kidnap them?

P.J.
Because they need to be in a threatened environment. When there is a counselor, or a teacher involved, it is a controlled safe environment, or at least we presume that there is no real danger. There needs to be actual fear. If the children were kidnapped by gun point and forced to eat dead rats when they were hungry, that would probably have an ever lasting effect on them. That would be something that they would never forget. A memory to last them forever and change them forever. They would never act spoiled again.

PHILIP
You know. I think you're right.

P.J.
I know I'm right. I always am.

PHILIP
Now I just need to convince my wife.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Rose Mary yelling at her husband.

ROSE MARY

Noooooo! And that's final. We are not going to kidnap our own children. That's ridiculous.

PHILIP

Drastic times call for drastic actions.

ROSE MARY

Well that idea is just crazy.

PHILIP

Honey, it's all planned out. No ones going to get hurt. It's going to be scary, but safe, and the end result is nice and polite children.

ROSE MARY

I think we should just punish our kids ourselves and teach them to be polite like normal parents do.

PHILIP

Good luck with that and we we are not normal parents. We can afford to do stuff like this. Listen, I know this seems radical, but it's going to work.

ROSE MARY

How can you be so sure?

PHILIP

I'm trusting my gut.

ROSE MARY

Maybe you should trust your brain.

PHILIP

I was skeptical myself, but after thinking and rationalizing, even though the idea is crazy. I really think it will work.

ROSE MARY

You just make sure no one gets hurt.

PHILIP

I will sweetheart. I have hired some really good professionals for this job.

ROSE MARY

Who's that?

PHILIP

Maverick and Wings. They have incredible kidnapping credentials.

ROSE MARY

Maverick and Wings, kidnapppers with credentials. How reassuring.

INT. BALCONY - CONTINUOUS

Up on the balcony hidden behind the couch is a purple mohawk. Aristotle has spied on the entire conversation.

ARISTOTLE

Those bastards.

EXT. TREE HOUSE - AFTERNOON

A large tree house sits high in a tree behind a large mansion.

Socrates climbs up a ladder to the tree house. He knocks on the door to get in.

INT. TREE HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

Inside the tree house is Aristotle, Princeton, and Pricilla.

There is a knock at the door.

ARISTOTLE

That's not the secret knock.

VOICE OF SOCRATES

Hey guys it's me. I forgot the secret knock.

ARISTOTLE

Please state your name before entry is granted.

VOICE OF SOCRATES

Come on Aristotle you know it's me.

PRINCETON

Just let him in.

ARISTOTLE

Not until he states his name.

VOICE OF SOCRATES

Socrates is my name.

ARISTOTLE

Incorrect. Your new name is Always Pees. You may now enter.

The door is opened and in comes Socrates.

SOCRATES

Sorry I'm late guys. Why the emergency meeting?

PRICILLA

Yeah. I was watching the Miss Teen Beauty Pageant. This better be important.

PRINCETON

And I'm on the fifth level of Storm Troopers Live. I've been playing since I got home from school. I can only pause it for so long before I start having withdrawals.

ARISTOTLE

Mom and Dad are up to something big.
Beyond your wildest imaginations. You're
not going to believe it, but today I was
on the balcony and they didn't know it
and I heard them talking about something
crazy.

SOCRATES

Today you were supposed to be sick in
bed. That's why you didn't go to school.

ARISTOTLE

I didn't go to school because I didn't
want to take the math test and good
thing, because do I have news for you
all.

PRINCETON

Shut up and tell us.

ARISTOTLE

Mom and Dad are going to have us
kidnapped by two guys named Maverick and
Wings.

PRICILLA

What are you talking about?

ARISTOTLE

It's true. I heard it. I double pinky
swear. Mom and Dad are going to have us
kidnapped.

SOCRATES

Why would they kidnap us? We're their
children.

ARISTOTLE

They think we're ungrateful brats.

PRICILLA

So?

ARISTOTLE

So? They think that's a problem. A flaw in our character. All of us included.

PRINCETON

There's nothing wrong with us except retard here pisses his pants when he's nervous.

Princeton slaps Socrates on the back.

ARISTOTLE

They think we are spoiled so they want to kidnap us and put us in the wild wilderness with strangers and scare us. Then when we come back we will be more appreciative to what we have.

PRICILLA

That is so mean. I hate the wilderness.

PRINCETON

Are you telling the truth?

ARISTOTLE

Yes. I am. I promise.

PRINCETON

Well, then we need to come up with our own plan.

PRICILLA

What should we do? Call the cops and tell them?

PRINCETON

No. They are going through all this just to change us. What better way to get back at them?

ARISTOTLE

I don't know.

SOCRATES

Me either.

PRINCETON

The best way to get back at our parents is, we don't change at all. They think living in the woods with some phony kidnapppers is going to change us. They have another thing coming.

ARISTOTLE

That's a great idea.

PRICILLA

Yeah. Let these kidnapppers just try to change us.

The kids all give high fives.

INT. OFFICE - DAY

PHILIP is in his office with P.J.. TWO SCRUFFY MEN sit in chairs.

PHILIP

You guys are professionals?

The first scruffy man is MAVERICK (40's) and the other is WINGS (40's).

MAVERICK

That's right. I'm an ex-navy seal that served in secret operations and Wings here is the best helicopter pilot in the world.

PHILIP

No offense, but you guys look a little rough around the edges.

P.J.

They are just trying to look the part. You know, bad guys.

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P.J. (CONT'D)

They are suppose to be kidnappers.

PHILIP

I just don't want my children or their body guards to get hurt in this thing.

MAVERICK

No worries. This is a simple mission. In and out. We gas 'em, we fly 'em out, we hang out in the wilderness for a few days. We will definitely put a little scare in your kids, but they won't be harmed at all.

PHILIP

What if someone gets sick? What if Pricilla won't eat a dead rat? I'm just thinking of things that could happen out in the wilderness.

MAVERICK

We will be prepared for any scenario. The base camp is equipped with a full medical emergency kit so if anyone gets sick or injured we will be able to deal with it. We'll have full communication at all times via satellite phones if there is a real emergency. And as far as eating dead rats, that's not going to happen. We'll have enough food at the base camp to eat for days. Wings here is practically a gourmet chef. The kids will be traumatized enough just thinking that they got kidnapped. We won't let them suffer that much.

PHILIP

Good. That is what I had in mind. Just enough drama to scare them a little. No need to go overboard.

Philip looks at Wings.

PHILIP

And you feel safe about flying a
helicopter into such a remote region?

Wings looks up. He has tooth pick in his mouth.

WINGS

Yeah. I feel good about it. I know
those mountains like the back of my hand.
We have a nice landing zone for the
helicopter. There is an access road less
than a mile from the base camp. We have
a jeep. Everything is going to go
smooth.

PHILIP

Let's hope so. I would hate to kidnap my
own kids and have something go wrong.

P.J.

Sir, I would just excuse that thought
from your mind because it's not going to
happen. The plan we have is fool proof.

EXT. SKI HILL - MORNING

HILLARY (30's) beautiful and athletic, stands on the snow in
her ski gear. She has a ski instructor jacket on.

The Rothstien Family skis up. Philip, Rose Mary, Princeton,
Pricilla, Socrates, and Aristotle, and FOUR BODY GUARDS.

PHILIP

Hi. Are you Hillary?

HILLARY

I am.

PHILIP

I am Philip Rothstien. You will be
skiing with my kids today. They are all
good skiers and can go almost anywhere.

HILLARY

Cool, sounds like fun.

Hillary turns to the kids.

HILLARY

Are you guys ready to go rip it up?

PRINCETON

Do we have to ski? I would rather just go eat candy bars in the restaurant.

PRICILLA

My ski boots hurt and this jacket makes me look so fat. I don't want to ski either.

ARISTOTLE

You guys are wimps. Take us to all the jumps now.

SOCRATES

I have to pee.

Philip and Rose Mary smile politely.

ROSE MARY

Princeton, you had a huge breakfast so you shouldn't be hungry. Priscilla, you don't look fat. Aristotle, no jumps. Socrates, you just went to the bathroom.

PHILIP

They're all yours Hillary. Have fun.

The parents ski off. The children and the body guards stay.

HILLARY

Okay, where do you want to go first?

PRINCETON

To the restaurant to get some food.

PRICILLA

To the spa to get a facial.

ARISTOTLE

Jumps, jumps, and more jumps!

SOCRATES

To the bathroom.

HILLARY

How bout we do just one run while there
still is some fresh powder?

KIDS

Okay.

HILLARY

Let's make it a good one. Let's do a Bus
Run.

PRINCETON

That's such a long run because we have to
take the bus back.

PRISCILLA

Yeah it's too long and hard.

ARISTOTLE

And it's all powder. I want jumps.

SOCRATES

There are no bathrooms that way.

HILLARY

Wow, you are some grumpy kids today.

PRINCETON

We're not grumpy. We just get what we
want.

PRISCILLA

That's right.

HILLARY

If you guys do one Bus Run, I promise we will do whatever you want for the rest of the day.

ARISTOTLE

Anything we want?

HILLARY

Yes, anything you want. I promise.

PRINCETON

Can I order two cheeseburgers and a whole pizza for lunch?

HILLARY

Yes.

PRISCILLA

Can I go get a massage and my nails done?

HILLARY

Sure. If that's what you want to do instead of skiing, but you need to ski one run.

ARISTOTLE

I want to jump over peoples heads.

HILLARY

Socrates, what do you want to do after the Bus Run?

SOCRATES

I don't know. Pee I guess. I don't know.

HILLARY

Okay, let's go to the chair lift.

Hillary leads the kids and the body guards to the chair lift.

EXT. SIX PERSON CHAIR LIFT - CONTINUOUS

Hillary and the kids get on a chair lift. The body guards

get on the chair behind.

HILLARY

So do guys have body guards with you all the time?

PRINCETON

Yeah. They have a pretty easy job because nothing ever happens to us.

PRICILLA

They are more annoying than anything else.

SOCRATES

(in his wimpy whisper)

I like mine.

ARISTOTLE

That's because you are a pussy.

Aristotle punches his brother.

ARISTOTLE

Where's your body guard now pussy ass bitch?

HILLARY

Whoa, take it is on your bro and watch the language.

ARISTOTLE

What ever, fuck, shit, goddamn! I'm on vacation and I can say whatever I want.

HILLARY

What if I told your parents you were talking like that?

All the kids laugh.

ARISTOTLE

They might take away my play station for an hour.

HILLARY

Wow. That's a big punishment.

Socrates notices a BREATHING VALVE on Hillary's ski jacket.

SOCRATES

Hillary, what is that?

He points to the valve.

HILLARY

This is a breathe valve in case I get stuck in an avalanche. I just put my mouth on it and breathe.

ARISTOTLE

Cool, you're taking us to avalanche terrain!

PRICILLA

Please don't take us to avalanche terrain.

HILLARY

No, I'm not taking you to avalanche terrain. This breathe valve just comes on all the instructor jackets.

PRINCETON

Hillary, have you always been a ski instructor?

HILLARY

No. I use to be in the army.

PRICILLA

You were in the army?

HILLARY

Yep.

ARISTOTLE

Did you shoot people and stuff?

HILLARY

I do know how to use a gun.

PRINCETON

What does that mean? Have you shot someone?

HILLARY

I was a combat soldier. So yes.

ARISTOTLE

That's fucking awesome.

HILLARY

Watch your mouth.

ARISTOTLE

Or what? Ya gonna shoot me?

Socrates points straight ahead. The top is near.

HILLARY

Time to get off.

Everyone gets off. Then the body guards get off.

EXT. TOP OF THE HILL - CONTINUOUS

HILLARY

Alright, I hope you are ready to ski some powder. Let's go!

Hillary drops off the backside of the mountain and it is over the top POWDER snow. All the kids follow her. They are really good skiers. The body guards follow. One crashes, he gets back up and catches up.

EXT. SKI MOUNTAIN - CONTINUOUS

Everyone is ripping down a huge powder face. It is epic ski conditions. The run goes on forever. A massive face of fresh powder that ends at a road.

The skiers ski down to the road. Everyone is breathing very hard.

EXT. BOTTOM OF BUS RUN NEXT TO THE ROAD - CONTINUOUS

Everyone is standing at the road.

HILLARY

How was that for our first run?

PRINCETON

That was fun!

ARISTOTLE

That was amazing!

PRICILLA

It was like skiing champagne. The expensive kind.

HILLARY

Did you like that Socrates?

Socrates nods nervously yes.

BODY GUARD ONE

That was incredible. Thanks Hillary.

BODY GUARD TWO

Dude, you're not suppose to break the code of silence.

BODY GUARD ONE

That was just too fun.

The body guards give high five.

A BUS comes around the corner.

HILLARY

Oh, look at that! Perfect timing! Okay
guys lets get on the bus.

Everyone takes off their skis and they get on the bus.

INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

MAVERICK is driving the bus.

Everyone sits down on the bus.

MAVERICK

How's the ski'n?

PRINCETON

Awesome.

PRICILLA

Incredible.

ARISTOTLE

Better than driving this bus.

HILLARY

Aristotle!

Maverick shuts the door on the bus and puts it into drive.

MAVERICK

Okay, here we go.

The bus starts to move up the road.

Maverick looks in the rear view mirror to see where everyone
is sitting. He slowly reaches down and flips a switch under
his seat.

GREEN GAS starts to come out of the vents. The gas fills the
the bus.

Maverick pulls out a gas mask and puts it on. He keeps
driving the bus.

Gas fills the bus.

BODY GUARD ONE

What is going on?

Socrates slithers to the ground out of his chair. He is asleep.

Pricilla slouches over and passes out.

All the body guards are passing out.

Hillary is fighting the urge to pass out. She puts her mouth on her breathe valve. She breathes. She pretends to pass out.

EXT. SNOWY ROAD - CONTINUOUS

The bus drives up the snowy road. There is a HELICOPTER parked on the side of the road.

The bus pulls over next to the helicopter.

WINGS, the helicopter pilot puts on a gas mask and runs onto the bus.

INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings grab Socrates and Aristotle and take the sleeping children off the bus.

EXT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings carry Socrates and Aristotle to the helicopter.

INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

Hillary goes to a body guard. She pokes him.

HILLARY

Hey, get up! Get up!

The body guard doesn't budge. She kicks another one.

HILLARY

Get up!

She looks out the window and Maverick and Wings are coming back. She breathes off her valve and pretends to sleep.

Maverick and Wings come back onto the bus wearing their gas mask. Maverick grabs Pricilla.

WINGS

Hey, no way. I'm not carrying the fat kid.

MAVERICK

Fine.

Maverick hands over Pricilla to Wings. Wings takes her off the bus.

Maverick looks down at all the passed out people. He pushes his foot into a body guard.

MAVERICK

Hey buddy. Can you hear me?

The body guard doesn't flinch. Maverick walks to Hillary and gives her a little foot shove.

MAVERICK

Hey sweetheart. I hope we didn't wreck your ski lesson.

Hillary turns and rubs her head. She pretends to sleep. Maverick gives her a strange smile.

Maverick tries to pick up Princeton, but Princeton is too heavy. Maverick leaves the bus.

Hillary takes another breath of air from her valve. She quickly scurries over to a passed out body guard. She searches his body and finds a gun at his belt. She grabs it.

Wings and Maverick come back onto the bus. Hillary pretends to sleep again. The men grab Princeton and take him off the bus. Hillary watches out the window as the men load

Princeton onto the helicopter.

INT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

The kids are all in the back of the helicopter sleeping. Maverick gets in the passenger side and Wings climbs into the pilot seat. They take off their gas mask and put on head sets. Wings starts the helicopter up.

INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

Hillary watches the helicopter. It slowly starts to rise. She quickly runs off the bus.

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAINS - CONTINUOUS

The helicopter is hovering off the the ground and Hillary runs under it. The helicopter rises and Hillary makes a giant leap and grabs onto it. The helicopter takes off flying into the air and Hillary is hanging. She manages to get her legs wrapped around and pulls her body up. She holds on as the helicopter flies away.

INT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

Wings looks at Maverick.

WINGS

Everything going as planned?

Maverick looks out the window. He thinks he sees Hillary hanging on the helicopter. She quickly moves out of sight.

MAVERICK

Yep. Just as planned.

Wings picks up the radio.

WINGS

Base camp copy four one.

P.J.'s voice answers the radio call.

P.J. V.O.

Go ahead.

WINGS

All good. In and out.

P.J. V.O.

Copy that.

INT. SKI LODGE - CONTINUOUS

P.J. is on a radio in a room with Philip and Rose Mary. He puts down the radio and looks at the parents.

P.J.

It's on.

ROSE MARY

I hope this isn't a bad idea.

PHILIP

I'm a little worried myself.

P.J.

Everything is going to be fine.

ROSE MARY

It just feels a little extreme.

P.J.

It is extreme, but this experience is going to change your children for life. You will be satisfied with the end result. Polite and courteous children.

ROSE MARY

I just don't want anything unexpected to happen. Like any accidents.

P.J.

Rose Mary, please don't worry. My team has this all planned out. They are government trained professionals. The kids are going to be in for a little

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P.J. (CONT'D)
adventure, but it's all calculated.

ROSE MARY
I sure hope so.

Rose Mary hugs her husband.

EXT. SOUTHERN UTAH - AFTERNOON

The helicopter flies over the desert of Southern Utah. The snowy La Salle Mountains rise over the beautiful red rocks and canyons of the desert.

The helicopter descends into a canyon. The chopper gets close to the ground and Hillary quickly jumps off and runs and hides behind a rock.

There is a camp set up at the landing zone with TENTS, and CAGES.

A JEEP is parked that is pulling a trailer with TWO SNOWMOBILES.

The helicopter lands and shuts down.

INT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings take off their head sets.

WINGS
We're home.

MAVERICK
Nice flying Wings. Let's get these kids into their cages before they wake up.

EXT. CAMP - AFTERNOON

Socrates, Aristotle, Pricilla, and Princeton are all locked up in separate cages.

Aristotle slowly opens his eyes.

ARISTOTLE

Whoa, where am I?

Socrates opens his eyes. He looks around. He starts screaming.

SOCRATES

Mommy! Mommy!

Pricilla wakes up.

PRICILLA

What's with the screaming? You are giving me a headache.

Princeton wakes up.

PRINCETON

Geez Louis, what's going on?

Maverick and Wings stand before the cages of children.

MAVERICK

Hey kids. How's it going?

WINGS

Hope you enjoyed your nap.

PRICILLA

Who are you guys?

MAVERICK

We are going to be watching over you kids for the next few days until we get some details taken care of.

ARISTOTLE

Where are we?

WINGS

In the middle of nowhere. Beautiful isn't it.

SOCRATES

I have to go pee?

MAVERICK

Then go.

SOCRATES

What?

MAVERICK

That cage is your home. So get comfortable because you aren't getting out.

PRINCETON

Do have a piece of pizza or something?

MAVERICK

So many questions. There is no pizza. There is no food at all actually.

PRICILLA

Who are you?

MAVERICK

I'm Maverick and this is Wings. We are kidnapppers.

All the kids look at each other.

PRINCETON

Did you say Maverick and Wings?

WINGS

That's right.

All the kids laugh.

MAVERICK

What's so funny?

ARISTOTLE

So your the kidnapppers?

MAVERICK

Yeah, that's us.

Princeton tries to get out of his cage. He shakes the bars.

MAVERICK

You kids are worth a lot of money. If you cooperate everything will go smoothly.

ARISTOTLE

And what if we don't?

MAVERICK

Well then there will be consequences.

Socrates is crying in his cage.

SOCRATES

I really have to go pee.

PRINCETON

And I'm starving.

PRICILLA

This cage is too hard. I want a pillow.

Maverick knocks over a table and yells.

MAVERICK

You guys shut up! There will be no complaining. There will be no yelling and there will be no talking. You are all prisoners.

ARISTOTLE

Hey bro, let's cut through the bull shit, okay. We know this is a fake kidnapping and you are supposed to scare us, but these cages suck. At least have a room with a play station.

MAVERICK

What are you talking about?

ARISTOTLE

I heard my parents talking. We were supposed to be kidnapped by Maverick and Wings. So, stop the scary man thing and let us out of these fucking cages now.

MAVERICK

Oh, so you knew this was planned?

ARISTOTLE

Yes, we all did. We've been wondering when you were going to do it.

MAVERICK

Hmm, interesting. Well I guess it is only fair to inform you that Wings and myself have decided to really kidnap you kids.

ARISTOTLE

Screw you and open the cage.

Aristotle flips him off. All the kids laugh.

Maverick looks at Wings.

MAVERICK

Go get the the video camera.

Wings nods yes and smiles. He goes to get the video camera out of his tent.

MAVERICK

Yeah your pops, he paid us big money to pretend to kidnap you.

Maverick picks up a hatchet from the wood pile.

MAVERICK

But guess what? Me and Wings here thought about it.

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MAVERICK (CONT'D)

Why pretend to kidnap you for thousands,
when we could really kidnap you for
millions?

PRINCETON

That makes since.

MAVERICK

So now you know this is a real
kidnapping. Next people we need to
inform is your parents.

PRICILLA

You're lying?

Wings returns with the video camera and tripod.

MAVERICK

Point the camera here and record this.

Wings sets up the tripod and turns on the camera. Maverick
speaks into the camera.

MAVERICK

Hi there. It's me Maverick. Just wanted
to update you on the condition of your
children. They're fine, but the
situation has changed. Consider this now
a real kidnapping. The amount we want is
one hundred million dollars. I am not
kidding! I am serious!

Maverick walks over to Aristotle's cage and pulls the key
from his necklace. He unlocks the cage.

ARISTOTLE

Hey what are you doing?

MAVERICK

I'm going to teach you some manners.

Maverick grabs Aristotle and pulls him out of his cage.

MAVERICK

Hold his hand. I'm going to chop it off
so he'll never flip me off again.

Wings holds Aristotle's hand over a log.

Maverick picks up the hatchet and speaks into the camera.

MAVERICK

I am going to cut off your boy's hand and
send it to you. If you do not agree with
our ransom demands then I will send you
more body parts every day.

Wings holds Aristotle in position. Maverick pulls the
hatchet back and swings it down.

BANG! LOUD GUN SHOT SOUND.

The hatchet is shot out of Maverick's hand just before
cutting off Aristotle's hand.

Hillary stands holding a gun.

HILLARY

Put your hands up. I'm serious, I'll
shoot you right here and now if I have
to.

Maverick and Wings both raise their hands.

MAVERICK

Well hi there little lady. What a
surprise. Where did you come from?

HILLARY

I caught a last minute flight.

MAVERICK

Put the gun down and let's talk.

HILLARY

Shut up and get in the cage.

MAVERICK

You want us to get into the cage?

She FIRES the gun and the bullet hits near their feet.

WINGS

Hey settle down. This is not a real kidnapping. We're actors.

MAVERICK

Yeah. Their dad hired us to scare them.

HILLARY

Do expect me to believe that?

MAVERICK

Ask the kid. Go ahead tell her.

Hillary looks at Aristotle.

ARISTOTLE

Shoot the mother fucker. He tried to cut my hand off.

Hillary looks at the men.

HILLARY

Get in the cage or the next bullet is going straight into your heart.

They quickly scramble into the cage.

Hillary walks up and locks the cage. She points the gun at Maverick.

HILLARY

Give me your key to open the cages.

MAVERICK

You are making a big mistake.

Maverick reaches around his neck and removes the key. He hands it to Hillary. She points the gun at Wings.

HILLARY

Give me the helicopter keys?

WINGS

You are not taking my helicopter.

Hillary points the gun at Wings.

HILLARY

I'm am only going to count to three.

One...Two...

Her eyes are dead serious.

WINGS

Okay.

He reaches in his pocket and throws her some keys.

WINGS

You're not going to get far. It's almost out of gas.

HILLARY

I'll take my chances.

Hillary unlocks the cages for the rest of the children.

They all just stand in shock.

HILLARY

Come with me.

The kids don't budge.

HILLARY

Get your asses on the helicopter. We are getting out of here.

They all run to the helicopter.

HILLARY

Get in.

PRINCETON

Do you know how to fly one of these?

HILLARY

Yes, I was an army ranger.

All the kids get in. Hillary jumps in the drivers seat. She starts up the chopper.

Maverick and Wings are kicking the cage. They kick, and kick, and kick, and they finally break the lock. They push open the door. They run to the jeep. Maverick pulls out a gun.

The helicopter takes off. Maverick shoots into the air.

WINGS

Easy there Maverick. Don't shoot my helicopter.

MAVERICK

I'm just trying to put a little scare in the air.

WINGS

Well you're doing superb job. Now let's go chase them. They won't get far. The tank was almost empty.

Maverick and Wings run to the jeep that is hooked up to a trailer with two snow mobiles. They start the jeep and chase the helicopter.

The helicopter flies away.

INT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

Hillary is flying the helicopter. She grabs the radio.

HILLARY

Mayday! Mayday! Does anyone copy?

There is just static on the radio.

PRICILLA

I'm so scared. I don't want to die.

HILLARY

Relax, you're fine. We are safe now.

PRINCETON

You almost lost your hand there little brother.

ARISTOTLE

Do you think he was bluffing?

PRICILLA

I don't think so. You almost got your hand chopped off. You're lucky Hillary was there.

ARISTOTLE

Yeah, why were you there anyways? And why do you have a gun?

HILLARY

I used my oxygen valve when they gassed the bus to breathe. I took the gun off your body guard. I risked my life holding onto the bottom of this helicopter for hours. That's why I am here.

SOCRATES

How did you learn to fly a helicopter?

HILLARY

I was United States Special Forces. I have many skills.

The helicopter warning light goes on.

HILLARY

Oh no.

PRICILLA

What's wrong?

Warning lights start to flash.

ARISTOTLE

Why are these lights flashing?

HILLARY

We're out of gas.

The helicopter makes a downward spiral to the mountain top.

HILLARY

I'm going to have to land there. Hold
on.

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAIN - AFTERNOON

The helicopter lands hard onto top of a snowy mountain.

INT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

ARISTOTLE

Great, now what do we do?

Hillary looks around and thinks for a bit. She looks through some binoculars and can see a jeep far away shooting up dust in the distance. It is the jeep pulling the snowmobiles. Maverick and Wings are coming.

HILLARY

They are coming. We need to get going.

PRINCETON

Go, go where?

HILLARY

I think these are the La Salle Mountains.
The sun is setting to the west. That
means Moab should be that way.

PRICILLA

What's Moab?

HILLARY

It's the only town for hundreds of miles.

SOCRATES

How do we get there?

HILLARY

We are going to have to walk.

ARISTOTLE

Can't we call for help?

HILLARY

There is no radio frequency and there certainly is no cell phone service. The only method of communication to the outside world is satellite phones.

PRINCETON

Do you think the guys that kidnapped us have a satellite phone?

HILLARY

I don't know. I'm not going to hang around and find out. We need to go that way.

Hillary points across to the west. It is beautiful. They are on a snowy mountain and below them is a red desert with arches and monuments rocks.

HILLARY

Gather all the supplies we can find.

All the kids look for supplies.

PRINCETON

Here's a rope. Should I grab this.

HILLARY
Yes, absolutely.

SOCRATES
Here's a knife.

HILLARY
Good find.

PRICILLA
Here's some plastic bags.

ARISTOTLE
What are these?

Aristotle holds up some climbing carabiners and webbing.

HILLARY
Those are for climbing. Take that stuff.
It could come in handy.

Hillary opens the Helicopter door and steps outside.

EXT. HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS

Hillary stands in the snow. She rips the seats out of the helicopter and turns them upside down and carves them out and makes them into back packs using the seat belts as straps.

HILLARY
Yes, get what you can get. Put the stuff
in here.

The kids fill up the back packs with anything they can find.

HILLARY
Here Princeton. Take this.

She hands Princeton a back pack. He puts it on.

Hillary then rips the doors off the helicopter.

SOCRATES
What are you doing?

HILLARY

We are going to use these doors as sleds.

She throws the plastic doors on the snow.

PRICILLA

(screams)

Oh my God!

Pricilla points to a dead goat the helicopter has landed on and killed.

SOCRATES

So sad. We killed a goat.

Hillary grabs the goat. She pulls it loose from the snow.

PRICILLA

What are you doing?

HILLARY

We are taking the goat with us.

PRICILLA

Why?

Hillary throws the goat on the sled.

HILLARY

Dinner.

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAIN BASE - ALMOST DARK

Maverick and Wings park the jeep at the bottom of the mountain and unload their snow mobiles. They rev up the engines and take off up the mountain.

EXT. TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN - CONTINUOUS

Hillary and the kids can't see the men coming. They are far away, but in fast pursuit.

Hillary has a back pack of supplies and so does Princeton. Hillary and Pricilla get on the helicopter door with the goat.

Princeton, Aristotle, and Socrates get on the other door.

They slide on the doors down the mountain. The doors are excellent sleds.

They are sledding really fast down terrain that is like a giant bobsled run carved out by a river. There are large banks and a natural path all the way down.

The two sleds are flying down turn after turn.

Suddenly the path ends at a large fifty foot cliff.

The sleds fly off the cliff at high speed.

Hillary and the kids smash onto the soft deep snowy landing.

Everyone is buried. One by one they pop their heads out of the snow.

ARISTOTLE

Holy shit!

HILLARY

Is everyone alright?

PRICILLA

I think I broke a nail.

PRINCETON

Wow! That was crazy.

Socrates pokes his head out. He reaches for his glasses and puts them on.

HILLARY

Okay, Let's set up camp and get ready for the night. We are going to need to get some rest.

PRINCETON

Hillary, I'm really hungry.

HILLARY

We'll eat soon. First we have to build a shelter that is somewhat hidden. Princeton and Aristotle you help me with that. Socrates and Pricilla, go gather as much fire wood as you can. It's going to be cold tonight.

They dig a cave next to a rock.

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAIN BASE - EVENING

Maverick and Wings are riding fast on their snow mobiles.

They ride straight up the steep slope.

An AVALANCHE breaks loose from under the snowmobiles.

The avalanche swallows up the machines and the men. It is a very large fracture and it roars down the side of the mountain. It takes out trees and rocks and comes crashing down onto the jeep.

The avalanche ends and everything is silent. Maverick pops his head out. Wing's boot is sticking out.

MAVERICK

(screaming)

Wings!

Maverick quickly digs himself out. He frantically tries to dig out Wings. Finally he gets him out.

Wings is unconscious. Maverick slaps him and does CPR on him.

MAVERICK

Come on buddy, come on.

Wings lets out a cough and spits out some snow.

MAVERICK

That's it man.

WINGS

Oh, what happened.

MAVERICK

Just a little avalanche.

Maverick looks around.

WINGS

It looks like pretty big avalanche.

MAVERICK

Yeah, we're lucky we're not dead.

A RINGING sound.

MAVERICK

It's the satellite phone.

Maverick removes his back pack and pulls out the satellite phone.

MAVERICK

What's up boss?

INT. NICE HOTEL ROOM - CONTINUOUS

On the phone is P.J..

P.J.

How's everything going?

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAIN - CONTINUOUS

Maverick looks around at the avalanche scene, the crushed jeep, the two broken snowmobiles, and his almost dead friend.

MAVERICK

It's going just as planned.

INT. NICE HOTEL ROOM - CONTINUOUS

P.J. takes a sip of brandy.

P.J.

Good, I will meet you at the rendezvous location in three days.

EXT. SNOWY MOUNTAIN - CONTINUOUS

MAVERICK

Copy that.

Hangs up.

WINGS

What did he say?

MANAGER

Rendezvous in three days.

WINGS

I guess we better get going then.

Wings starts to hike up the mountain carrying a large back pack.

MAVERICK

Wait for me.

Maverick starts after him carrying another large back pack.

INT. SNOW SHELTER - NIGHT

The kids are sitting in a snow shelter. There is a fire burning in the middle and the smoke escapes from the top.

Hillary comes in with the skinned leg of a goat. She puts it over the fire.

PRICILLA

You're not really going to eat that?

HILLARY

We all are. This goat was a God send.
We are lucky we landed on it.

PRINCETON

I wish we would have landed on some pizza or burgers.

HILLARY

This is just like a burger, plus we can use the stomach to make a canteen.

ARISTOTLE

Cool.

SOCRATES

Gross.

Hillary pulls a piece of meat off the goat leg.

HILLARY

Who wants first bite?

No one volunteers. Hillary takes a bite.

HILLARY

Not bad.

PRINCETON

Okay, I'll try a bite.

Princeton takes a bite. He slowly chews and swallows.

PRICILLA

Well, how is it?

PRINCETON

Have you ever chewed on a used shoe?

ARISTOTLE

Here give me a bite.

Aristotle takes a bite.

ARISTOTLE

It taste like mountain goat.

He takes another bite.

All the kids eat the leg. Hillary cooks another one.

EXT. SNOW SHELTER - MORNING

Early morning, the sun has not yet risen. The kids are all sleeping. Hillary wakes them up.

HILLARY

Come on wake up. We have to go.

PRINCETON

No, I'm so tired.

PRICILLA

Me too. It's hard to sleep without taking a shower.

HILLARY

We have a long ways to go. We are going to cross the desert and we need travel before it gets too hot.

All the kids gather their stuff. They sled down to the desert.

EXT. DESERT - MORNING

The snow line ends and it becomes rocky.

ARISTOTLE

How are we suppose to walk on rocks in our ski boots?

HILLARY

We are going to use our boot liners as shoes. Take them out of your ski boots.

Hillary and the kids take off their ski boots and pull out the liners.

HILLARY

Use the liners as our shoes.

PRICILLA

These aren't good hiking shoes.

HILLARY

It's all we have. I made these last night when you were sleeping.

Hillary holds up some leather covers.

HILLARY

Slip these on over your liners. They will help them from not being torn.

PRICILLA

How did you make these?

HILLARY

Another gift from the goat. It's his skin.

Hillary takes out the goats stomach.

HILLARY

And here is our canteen.

She fills up the goat stomach in a small stream. It expands and expands. It looks like a giant water balloon. Hillary ties off the end.

HILLARY

That is close to three gallons of water.

She puts the stomach into one of the make shift seat backpacks.

HILLARY

Here.

She hands the backpack to Princeton.

PRINCETON

Why do I have to carry this?

HILLARY

Because you're big and strong.

Hillary takes a plastic ski boot shell and fills it up with water.

HILLARY

Drink up here and try to carry as much water as possible.

The kids all get some water from the stream. They fill their plastic ski boots with water to carry. They gather all the belongings and start to hike.

They hike down the mountain and the terrain starts to turn to desert. There are big red rocks. They hike across Monument Valley.

EXT. DESERT - DAY

All the kids are hiking and are hot and tired. The hot sun beats down. Socrates falls on his face.

SOCRATES

I can't do this.

Hillary grabs him and pulls him to his feet.

HILLARY

You can do this and you will do this.

They keep hiking through Monument Valley. Large RED ROCK MONUMENTS span across the vast desert.

PRINCETON

This sucks. Can we take a break?

HILLARY

We have to keep hiking before it gets too hot.

PRICILLA

It's already too hot.

HILLARY

It's just going to get hotter. We need to make it over there.

Hillary points to rocks in the distance.

HILLARY

That is where Goblin Valley is. There we can find shade and rest.

PRICILLA

I'm really thirsty.

SOCRATES

Me too.

HILLARY

Did you already drink your water?

ARISTOTLE

Yeah, we're all out. We need to drink some of the goat stomach water.

HILLARY

We need to ration the water, but we should have a little.

Hillary grabs the goat stomach of water from the back pack that Princeton is carrying.

PRINCETON

Drink as much as you want to lighten my load.

PRICILLA

Can't we get sick drink'n from a stomach of an animal?

HILLARY

Yes. That's why we need to filter the water with bark and dirt.

PRICILLA

With bark and dirt?

Hillary makes water filter with ski boot shells. She pokes a small hole in the toe of one of the shells so water can drain out of it. She fills the boot with rocks, dirt, wood, and grass. She pours the water from the goat stomach into the filter and the clean water collects into another ski boot shell.

ARISTOTLE

Cool water filter.

Hillary takes a sip of water out of the boot and passes it to Aristotle. He chugs the water.

HILLARY

Okay, that's enough. We don't know when we'll see water again.

Aristotle passes the water.

ARISTOTLE

I thought you knew where we are?

HILLARY

I have a vague idea. I know we need to go west. Eventually there is a river, but it's not going to be easy getting there.

Socrates is looking through binoculars. He spots something moving a great distance away. It is Maverick and Wings.

SOCRATES

Hillary, I can see those men.

PRICILLA

What?

Hillary takes looks through the binoculars and sees the men.

HILLARY

They are persistent.

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings are walking wearing very large back packs. They are dressed to hike and have hiking sticks. They are eating power bars and drinking protein shakes.

MAVERICK

Where do you think they are?

WINGS

They can't be too far.

MAVERICK

I could use a little nap.

WINGS

We don't have time. I wasn't planning on getting buried by an avalanche and having to hike over a snowy mountain. We need to stay on schedule to meet P.J. at the rendezvous location.

MAVERICK

We can't have anymore mishaps.

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

Hillary and the kids are packing up. They turn to walk and a LARGE MOUNTAIN LION ROARS at them.

ARISTOTLE

Holy shit!

Everyone is still as the large cat scans over them.

PRINCETON

What should we do?

The mountain lion lets out a scary roar.

Hillary slowly pulls her gun. She aims and shoots near the lions feet. The cat takes off running.

HILLARY

We have to go.

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings stop walking.

MAVERICK

Did you hear that?

WINGS

I sure did. That was a gun shot.

MAVERICK

It came from over there.

Maverick and Wings take off running towards the gun shot.

INT. SKI LODGE HOTEL - DAY

Philip and Rose Mary are at the ski lodge having breakfast.
P.J. arrives at the table.

P.J.

Good morning Philip. Good morning Rose
Mary. Everything is going as planned.

PHILIPS

That is good news.

ROSE MARY

How are the children?

P.J.

They are fine. Like I said, everything
is going as planned.

Philip hugs his wife.

PHILIP

I told you we had nothing to worry about.

Rose Mary looks uncertain.

ROSE MARY

How many more days?

P.J.

Two more. Then we will pick them up at
the rendezvous location.

EXT. DESERT - DAY

Maverick and Wings are walking quickly in the desert. Wing
spots something on the ground.

WINGS

Look, foot prints.

MAVERICK

Yes, they are fresh. They were just here.

Wings takes out his binoculars and looks. He spots the kids.

WINGS

They are heading to Goblin Valley.

Suddenly the MOUNTAIN LION attacks Wings from behind. Wings falls on his face and is being mauled.

Maverick grabs a large stick and hits the lion. The lion backs off and growls. Maverick pulls out his gun. Wings crawls to his feet.

TWO SMALL LION CUBS pop out from behind the rock.

The men slowly retreat with guns drawn and never taking their eye off the lion. The lion growls. Finally the men are a safe distance.

WINGS

Man, I've always wanted to see a cougar, but not like that. I don't know if this is worth it.

MAVERICK

Just relax. We're going to be rich.

WINGS

Yeah, if we survive.

MAVERICK

Come on, we need to find these kids.

EXT. GOBLIN VALLEY - DAY

Hillary and the kids are in Goblin Valley. There are strange rocks that look like goblins. The rocks are scattered across the land scape.

ARISTOTLE

This place is cool.

PRICILLA

I think it's creepy.

PRINCETON

I'm getting hungry. Do we have any more goat meat?

HILLARY

No, you ate it all.

ARISTOTLE

Way to go you big pig.

PRINCETON

You guys didn't want any.

PRICILLA

Well, it was kind of gross, but I would eat anything now.

Hillary reaches in her back pack and pulls out a small cracker.

HILLARY

I have this.

PRICILLA

Oh, can I please have that?

HILLARY

This is not to eat, but to catch something to eat.

PRICILLA

What?

HILLARY

Watch.

Hillary makes a trap with a rock, stick, and a string. The rock is propped up by the stick with the string attached at the bottom of the stick. The cracker sits as bait.

HILLARY

Now we wait.

A squirrel comes running to the cracker. The squirrel sniffs the cracker. Hillary pulls the string and BAM! The squirrel is squished by the rock.

HILLARY

Nice, I got a big one.

Hillary goes to and gets the squirrel. She sets the trap up again. She carries the squirrel to the kids. She hands it to Pricilla.

HILLARY

Here you go.

PRICILLA

What am I suppose to do with this?

HILLARY

First you need to skin it, then gut it, then cook it. Okay, I did the goat, you do the squirrel.

She pulls out a knife and hands it to Pricilla. Pricilla takes the knife and attempts to cut the squirrel. She drops the knife and the squirrel.

PRICILLA

I can't.

HILLARY

Fine.

Hillary grabs the squirrel and the knife and starts to skin it.

HILLARY

You guys build a fire.

Another squirrel comes to the bait. Socrates pulls the string.

SOCRATES

Got one.

Hillary is impressed.

HILLARY

Nice catch.

EXT. GOBLIN VALLEY - DAY

Hillary and the kids are sitting around eating squirrels off the fire.

PRINCETON

I tell you what, I think I like goat more than squirrel.

PRICILLA

I can't wait to eat normal food again.

HILLARY

If we survive you guys need to learn to be appreciative of everything you have.

PRINCETON

If we survive I'm going to have my dad buy me a swimming pool filled with ice cream.

HILLARY

If you survive you should be thankful for a spoon full of ice cream.

EXT. GOBLIN VALLEY - CONTINUOUS

Maverick and Wings are hiding behind different rocks spying on the Hillary and the kids. Maverick nods at Wings. Both men pull out pistols.

Maverick and Wings both jump up from their hiding spots.

MAVERICK

Freeze.

Hillary and the children are surprised.

MAVERICK

You can run, but you can't hide.

WINGS

Put your hands nice and high.

Hillary and the kids raise their hands high.

MAVERICK

Okay, all you kids get up and come over here. Ski instructor lady you can stay right there.

The kids all look at Hillary. She nods yes.

Wings is looking down the barrel of his pistol. He hears RATTLING. There is a large RATTLE SNAKE perched on a rock next to his head. Wings turns to see the snake.

WINGS

Oh no.

The snake strikes and bites Wings in the face.

WINGS

Ahhhhhh!

The snake is attached to wings face and won't let go. Maverick takes his attention off Hillary and looks at his friend being attacked.

Maverick runs to help Wings. He grabs the snake and yanks it off and throws it far away.

Hillary quickly pulls out her gun and fires. A bullet flies off the rock near Maverick. He drops and returns fire hitting the goat stomach and causing it to burst all the water.

Hillary fires back. There is a gun fight between Hillary and Maverick. They are using goblin rocks as shields. They run, hide, shoot. It is an intense gun fight in Goblin Valley.

Hillary runs out of bullets, she throws the gun. She keeps scrambling with the kids close behind her.

Maverick shoots, but he never really shoots close to the kids or Hillary. He is a bad shot.

The kids and Hillary crawl through a small hole through the rocks and escape.

Maverick rushes to Wings.

Wings is lying on the ground.

MAVERICK

Don't move. I have a venom kit in my back pack.

Maverick removes his venom kit. He places the syringe pump onto the snake bite. It slowly sucks out the venom.

WINGS

I didn't sign up for this.

MAVERICK

Don't talk. Just relax and think about how rich we are going to be in a couple of days.

WINGS

Should we use the satellite phone.

MAVERICK

Why?

WINGS

Because I just got bit by a rattlesnake.

MAVERICK

You'll be fine. I got the thing on you soon enough to get all the venom out of your body. We don't want to wreck the plan we have worked so hard on.

WINGS

I guess your right.

MAVERICK

Let's make camp and well catch up with
the kids tomorrow.

WINGS

Okay. Sounds good.

Wings falls over and sleeps. Maverick does the same.

EXT. GOBLIN VALLEY - DAY

The kids and Hillary are walking.

HILLARY

Well we lost half our supplies, and all
our water, but we are alive.

ARISTOTLE

I don't like this. We could have been
killed. What are we worth if we are
dead? Nothing. Why do they want to kill
us?

PRINCETON

It seems like he wasn't a very good shot.
I mean he had a clear shot at me and he
didn't even come close.

SOCRATES

And your fat ass is hard to miss.

Everyone is speechless.

PRINCETON

Socrates, when did you become so vibrant
with your language. I like it.

PRICILLA

Yeah, it seemed liked he wasn't really
shooting at us. Just the rocks around
us.

HILLARY

I wouldn't say that. I think we all got out there lucky. We should be grateful.

EXT. VALLEY OF FIRE - EVENING

The Valley of Fire is huge rock pillars that make a confusing maze when trying to walk through them. The kids look at the strange rocks with amazement.

ARISTOTLE

What is this place?

HILLARY

This is the Fiery Furnace. It's a maze made out of rocks. We need to try to find the way to the other side before dark.

All the kids and Hillary head into the rock maze.

It starts to get darker.

Hillary and the kids are lost in the maze. They walk around a corner and it is a dead end.

ARISTOTLE

Great, another dead end.

PRINCETON

This is impossible.

HILLARY

We need to set up camp here.

The kids all sit.

PRICILLA

Hillary, I'm really thirsty.

HILLARY

I'm sorry, we don't have any water.

PRINCETON

Great, now we are going to die.

Hillary looks around. She sees a tree.

HILLARY

Give me some plastic bags.

The kids give Hillary some plastic bags.

ARISTOTLE

What are you doing?

Hillary puts the plastic bags over some leaves on a tree and she ties the end.

HILLARY

I'm making condensation bags. Each bag will make about a cup of water.

ARISTOTLE

Really, how does it work?

HILLARY

The plastic traps the leaves evaporation into the atmosphere over night. Tomorrow morning we will have a cup of dew.

PRICILLA

But I'm thirsty now.

HILLARY

You'll be okay. The body can go three days without water. As long as we stay in this shade and don't use too much exertion we should be fine. Just try to get some sleep.

They set up camp. All the kids sleep on the hard ground.

EXT. FIERY FURNACE - MORNING

Aristotle opens his eyes.

Hillary is getting the bags of water out of the tree.

ARISTOTLE

Hey guys, wake up.

All the kids wake up.

ARISTOTLE

Hillary got us water.

Hillary dumps all the water into a ski boot shell.

HILLARY

I also found us some breakfast.

She has a hand full of earth worms.

PRICILLA

Gross, I'm not eating that.

HILLARY

This is almost all protein.

Hillary eats a big worm. All the kids eat the worms and drink the water.

HILLARY

All right, let's get going.

They pack up what they have and start walking through the maze of rocks.

They come around the corner and there is Maverick and Wings. Wings face is really puffy and bruised.

MAVERICK

Well hello there.

Hillary pushes the kids behind her.

MAVERICK

Just give us the kids and make this easy on yourself.

HILLARY

I never take the easy way out.

Hillary does a cart wheel towards the men and does a flying

karate kick knocking Maverick down.

Wings tries to attack. Hillary dodges his punches and sweeps his feet from under him knocking him down.

Maverick grabs Hillary from behind. She butts her head into his nose and then flips him on the ground.

Wings jumps at Hillary and she moves and throws him into the rock wall.

Both men are temporarily down.

HILLARY

Let's go.

The kids and Hillary take off running down the maze inside the rocks.

Maverick and Wings regain composure and take off in pursuit.

The chase is on. The men are gaining on them. They are in a tight spot with rocks all around them.

The ground starts to SHAKE.

HILLARY

Stop.

ARISTOTLE

What's going on?

HILLARY

It's an earthquake.

Rocks start to fall from above.

HILLARY

Hurry get shelter.

The kids and Hillary scramble under a ledge as rocks fall from above.

The rocks create a blockade so Maverick and Wings can't get to the children. Rocks keep falling.

MAVERICK

Watch out!

Wings gets hit by a rock and it smashes his hand. He is stuck. Rocks keep crashing around him.

Maverick struggles to get Wings loose. He pushes and pushes the rock to free Wings. Finally he gets Wings loose just before a large boulder falls that would have killed him.

MAVERICK

That was close.

Wings looks at his bloody, bent fingers.

WINGS

I think I broke a nail.

The kids run away.

EXT. DEAD HORSE POINT - DAY

A huge majestic canyon with two thousand foot vertical walls. Very similar to the grand canyon. There is a river below.

HILLARY

We need to make it down to the river.

SOCRATES

How Hillary?

ARISTOTLE

Are we suppose to parachute?

HILLARY

No we are going to climb.

PRICILLA

What?

HILLARY

We are going to make climbing harnesses from the webbing and use the rope and

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HILLARY (CONT'D)
carabiners we have.

SOCRATES
I don't think I can do that?

PRINCETON
Isn't there another way?

HILLARY
Not for a hundred miles either way.

PRICILLA
I'd rather walk a hundred miles than
climb down that.

ARISTOTLE
There is no way our rope is that long.

Hillary looks over the ledge. It's a two thousand foot
vertical drop.

HILLARY
We can do this. Look there are ledges.
We will do it in sections.

Hillary empties the back pack and grabs the webbing and the
rope. She makes the children harnesses with the webbing.

She takes a hammer and drives in a bolt. That should work.

She puts the rope through the bolt.

HILLARY
Okay, who wants to go first?

ARISTOTLE
Where are we going?

HILLARY
I'm going to lower you down to that ledge
one at a time. We will do that the
entire way down.

Socrates raises his hand.

SOCRATES

I'll go first.

PRINCETON

You go big dog!

HILLARY

Let's hook you up.

Hillary clips the rope to Socrates. She makes sure everything is tight.

HILLARY

Socrates, don't be scared. I have you on the rope. When you get to the ledge you will need to unclip. That's going to be the scariest part. Just keep your cool.

SOCRATES

Okay.

Socrates leans over the ledge. Hillary repels him down. It is really high and really scary.

Socrates makes it to the ledge about two hundred feet below. The ledge is very small and extremely exposed. There is no room for error. Socrates takes his time and he unclips the rope from his carabiner. He gives Hillary a nod and she pulls up the rope. Socrates looks down.

SOCRATES

Holy shit.

Hillary pulls the rope up.

HILLARY

You're up next.

Hillary points to Aristotle.

ARISTOTLE

Why me?

HILLARY

Your brother just did it.

ARISTOTLE

Yeah, I don't know what has gotten into him.

HILLARY

Get over here.

Aristotle reluctantly moves. Hillary hooks the rope up to him. He is shaking really bad because he is so scared.

Hillary lowers Aristotle down. He moves slow and cautious. He pees his pants. He makes it and unhooks himself.

Aristotle stands on the high ledge with Socrates. Socrates notices the urine stain.

SOCRATES

Little accident uh?

ARISTOTLE

Shut up.

SOCRATES

I have been there done that.

Socrates smiles.

SOCRATES

You can do this brother.

Aristotle smiles back. They fist bump.

EXT. FIERY FURNACE - DAY

Maverick is taping up Wings broken hand.

MAVERICK

There you go. Good as new.

WINGS

I guess two broken fingers isn't bad.

MAVERICK

It could have been a lot worst.

WINGS

I tell you what. When this is all over
I'm taking a vacation.

MAVERICK

Me too. I'm going to Fiji or some place
tropical.

WINGS

I'd be happy just sitting on my couch.

MAVERICK

You could buy a gold couch with all the
money you're going to make.

WINGS

Do you really think we are going to make
that much money?

MAVERICK

P.J. is going to have it all worked out.

WINGS

That P.J. is a smart guy, but this plan
seems a little far fetched.

MAVERICK

It will work. You're just having bad
luck.

INT. SKI LODGE - DAY

Philip and Rose Mary are in the ski lodge sitting by their
luggage.

P.J. enters.

P.J.

Hi. Are you ready to go get your
children?

Rose Mary stands and grabs her bag.

ROSE MARY

Let's go.

Philip stands.

PHILIP

I've never been to Southern Utah.

P.J.

You're going to love it.

EXT. STEEP CANYON - DAY

All the kids and Hillary are standing on a ridge. They have made much progress getting down the cliff. They still have one more stage to go.

HILLARY

You guys are doing so good. Look how far we have gone. We are almost to the bottom.

Hillary hooks the harness up to Socrates and lowers him. He is quite comfortable now. He reaches the bottom.

Hillary pulls the rope up and attaches it to Aristotle. She lowers him. He reaches the ground and kisses it.

Pricilla is next and makes it. Hillary pulls the rope up and looks at Princeton.

HILLARY

Last but not least.

Suddenly the ledge they are standing on starts to break. The ground falls from under Princeton's feet. He falls and barely grabs on with one hand. He is hanging more than a hundred feet up in the air.

PRINCETON

Help!

Hillary quickly leans over the ledge. She reaches out with the rope and clips his carabiner just as the ledge breaks.

Both Hillary and Princeton fall.

Hillary smashes her leg on a rock while falling.

The rope stops them before they hit the ground almost like a bungee cord. They take a hard whip.

Hillary and Princeton are dangling from the rope just inches off the ground.

PRINCETON

Ouch, I think this harness just gave me the wedgie of the century.

HILLARY

I broke my leg.

Hillary's leg is obviously broken.

ARISTOTLE

Come on guys, we need to help Hillary.

All the kids scramble to help Hillary. They untie her and carry her to the side. She is in pain, but quite calm.

HILLARY

I need you kids to do me a favor.

PRINCETON

Whatever you need. What is it?

HILLARY

You need to reset my leg. Go get some straight sticks and cut some rope.

The kids grab some sticks and rope.

HILLARY

Now, pull my leg really hard. Even if I scream don't stop. When the bones are straight and snap together that is when you tie on the sticks.

Socrates holds Hillary and Princeton pulls on her leg.

HILLARY

Ahhhhhhhh!

Her bones line up. Pricilla and Aristotle quickly tie on the sticks.

HILLARY

Oh, thanks.

ARISTOTLE

Does it hurt?

HILLARY

Aristotle, as you would say, it hurts like a mother fucker.

ARISTOTLE

I would probably say more than that.

HILLARY

You guys are now responsible for our survival.

SOCRATES

We can do it.

PRICILLA

Just tell us what to do?

Hillary looks around.

HILLARY

We need water, food, and a raft.

EXT. BOTTOM OF CANYON - COLORADO RIVER

Hillary and the kids are eating some river weed and frogs and making a raft.

ARISTOTLE

I tell you what. These frogs aren't bad.

Pricilla is sifting water through sand into a container she has made out of wood.

PRICILLA

Who wants some fresh mountain water.

She drinks a some.

Socrates and Princeton are wrapping logs together with the rope to construct a raft. Hillary is giving directions.

HILLARY

Do a cross hatch. That way the rope will tighten on its self.

PRINCETON

Almost done.

Princeton pulls the last bit of rope through and ties it off. The raft looks really good.

HILLARY

That looks great. Let's hope it floats.

The kids carry the raft to river and tie it off. It floats nicely in the calm section.

The kids all carry Hillary to the raft. They gently place her on. She cringes in pain. She wants to scream, but she keeps it to herself.

All the kids get on the raft. It floats really well even with everyone on it.

SOCRATES

All aboard.

The raft floats down the calm river with everyone on.

ARISTOTLE

Now what Hillary?

HILLARY

We float for as long as we can. This will take us almost to Moab. We just need to get out of the river before Calf

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HILLARY (CONT'D)

Creek Falls.

PRICILLA

What is Calf Creek Falls?

HILLARY

It's a water fall that we don't want to go off.

PRICILLA

What happens if we go off it.

HILLARY

Certain death. No one has ever survived Calf Creek Falls.

Socrates looks ahead. There are rapids.

SOCRATES

Big waves coming our way.

Everyone braces as they ride through the big waves. The raft bounces and almost tips over.

HILLARY

Lean to the left!

All the kids lean to the left. The raft is holding on for dear life. Another big wave, and another.

Finally it is calm again.

ARISTOTLE

Wow, that was kind of fun.

HILLARY

That's because you don't have a broken leg.

EXT. TOP OF CANYON - DEAD HORSE POINT - DAY

Maverick and Wings are on top of the canyon looking down.

WINGS

Do you think they are down there?

MAVERICK

Their tracks end here and look at this carabiner bolt someone has pounded into the ground. They must have repelled down here.

WINGS

That's pretty crazy.

MAVERICK

This entire kidnapping thing is crazy.

WINGS

Yeah, really crazy.

MAVERICK

But we need to finish the job if we want to get paid.

WINGS

What should we do?

MAVERICK

We run until we find them and then we swoop down and surprise them.

WINGS

Just what I wanted to do, go running in the hot desert carrying a giant back pack.

MAVERICK

You're starting to sound like one of those spoiled kids. Let's go.

Maverick starts running.

WINGS

I can't believe I signed up for this.

Wings starts to run with his huge back pack.

EXT. BOTTOM OF CANYON - DAY

Hillary and kids are relaxing on the raft.

PRINCETON

It sure is beautiful down here.

PRICILLA

Yeah it is.

ARISTOTLE

It's been kind of fun being kidnapped,
except the part where I peed my pants.

PRINCETON

Or how bout the time you almost lost your
hand?

PRICILLA

Or the time you almost got shot?

SOCRATES

It's been scary, but fun. Right bro?

ARISTOTLE

Yeah, exactly.

Pricilla is laying on her back looking up at the high canyon walls. She notices something at the top. It is Maverick and Wings.

PRICILLA

Hillary, we have company.

Everyone looks up. The men are so high and far away.

ARISTOTLE

We are safe down here. There's no way
they can get to us.

HILLARY

You guys, if anything happens to me.
Make sure you get out of the river before
Calf Creek Falls. Be aware!

(MORE)

HILLARY (CONT'D)

You will hear it coming. There will be a trail on the right side of the river. Take that to Moab. It's only a couple of miles.

PRICILLA

What's going to happen to you Hillary?

HILLARY

Nothing. I just want you guys to be aware if anything does.

EXT. TOP OF CANYON - DAY

Maverick and Wings stand on top of the canyon looking down.

They can see Hillary and the kids on the raft.

MAVERICK

There they are.

Wings and Maverick take off their large back packs and pull out one piece nylon suits. The men put on the suits. They are wing suits.

MAVERICK

This should be fun.

WINGS

This is what I did sign up for.

They jump off the steep cliff and fly down into the tight canyon. They are like torpedo birds. They are flying fast near the walls of the cliff. It is amazing!

EXT. BOTTOM OF CANYON IN RIVER - CONTINUOUS

The kids are on the raft. Aristotle looks up and notices the WING SUITERS.

ARISTOTLE

Oh my goodness!

PRICILLA

What?

Aristotle points. Everyone turns to see the WING SUITERS flying in.

Maverick pulls his chute.

Wings tries to pull his chute, but it has a malfunction and rips right off his back.

WINGS

That's not good.

Wings comes flying in fast and skips off the water towards the raft. He is skipping over the water very fast.

He hits the raft and tips it over and everyone falls out.

Everyone scrambles to get back on the raft. The kids all get on. Hillary can't make it. All the kids grab Hillary and they pull her up.

Wings tries to crawl on and Socrates kicks him in the face. Wings falls off.

ARISTOTLE

Nice kick Sucker Feet.

SOCRATES

Why thank you.

Maverick comes in on his parachute from above. He lands on the raft. He pulls out his gun.

MAVERICK

No more games.

Wings crawls onto the raft. The kids all sit with their hands up.

The ROARING SOUND of a waterfall starts to get louder and

louder.

WINGS

Looks like your little escape plan is over.

Hillary looks down river. It is Calf Creek Falls. She looks at the kids.

HILLARY

Do you kids remember the history lesson I gave you on Calf Creek Falls?

The kids all look down river.

MAVERICK

I think the only thing on this boat we don't need is you. Time for you to go.

Wings and Maverick grab Hillary.

MAVERICK

Did you really think you could save these kids?

HILLARY

Yes I did.

Hillary grabs the men and jumps into the water pulling them with her.

Hillary screams at the kids.

HILLARY

Get to shore and take the trail to Moab.

The kids guide the raft to shore.

The men try to follow the kids, but Hillary holds onto them.

The men and Hillary fight in the water as the waterfall approaches.

The kids all make it out.

ARISTOTLE

Come on Hillary.

PRICILLA

Hillary, get out of the water.

The men and Hillary are all still struggling in the middle of the river. The rapids start to get very large and the river starts moving very fast. Suddenly it drops off.

Hillary, Maverick, and Wings go off the waterfall.

The kids all look at each other. They try to make it to a view point of the waterfall. They have to crawl over some rocks and bushes.

EXT. CALF CREEK FALLS - DAY - CONTINUOUS

The kids make it to a view point. They look down.

It is huge waterfall into churning rapids with three limp and DEAD BODIES of Maverick, Wings, and Hillary.

All the kids are silent.

2 WEEKS LATER.

INT. NICE RESTAURANT - NEW YORK CITY - NIGHT

The kids are sitting with their parents in a nice restaurant. The kids are dressed casual.

Pricilla is wearing no make up and some jeans.

Princeton is wearing a shirt and some jeans.

Aristotle is wearing a Yankee's jersey.

Socrates is wearing a Met's jersey

A WAITER approaches.

WAITER

How is everything?

SOCRATES

Everything was so good. We are so grateful for the food and for your service.

ARISTOTLE

I would also like to commend the excellent meal and outstanding wait staff.

WAITER

What polite young men. You're welcome.

PRICILLA

This water is delicious. Can I have some more?

WAITER

Sure, New York's finest tap water.

Waiter pours some water.

PRICILLA

Thank you.

The waiter notices a fly in Pricilla's water.

WAITER

Oh my. There is something in your glass. Let me get you a new one.

PRICILLA

It's just a fly.

Pricilla reaches in and grabs the fly. She eats it.

PRICILLA

Extra protein.

The waiter can't believe it. Neither can Philip or Rose Mary.

WAITER
Anyone for dessert?

PRINCETON
I think I will skip dessert. That salad
was enough.

The RESTAURANT MANAGER approaches Philip at the table.

MANAGER
Mr. Rothstien. You have a phone call.

PHILIP
I need to excuse myself for a moment.
This is an important phone call. I'll be
right back.

PRINCETON
You are excused father.

Rose Mary smiles. Philip gets up and leaves the table. He
walks across the room and out of sight.

INT. BACK ROOM - RESTAURANT - CONTINUOUS

Philip follows the manager to the back room.

MANAGER
You're phone call is in here.

Philip walks in the room. He smiles.

PHILIP
I don't know how you did it. The kids
are fantastic. I'm going to pay you all
double.

He pulls out his check book.

P.J., Wings, Maverick, and Hillary are sitting in the room.

P.J.
I told you it would work.

EXT. CALF CREEK FALLS - 2 WEEKS EARLIER - DAY

Hillary, Maverick, and Wings all go over the water fall.

At the bottom of the waterfall is P.J. waiting in a truck.

P.J. gets out of the truck and he throws dummies into the water that look like Hillary, Maverick, and Wings. The dummies float in the river at the bottom of the waterfall. Maverick and Wings carry Hillary out of the water. They all get in P.J.'s truck and drive away.

The End