

SELF-FULFILLING PROPHECY

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BLACK SCREEN

TITLE SEQUENCE: "SELF-FULFILLING PROPHECY"

FADE IN

EXT. GARDEN - DAY

MIKE (5 years old) stands still, head down and looks at the ground. Couple of kids play joyfully next to him. Families at barbeque party. SUSAN (Mike's mom, 32) and JOE (Mike's dad, 33) sit at garden table with two other couples. Susan looks at Mike almost crying and turns her head to look at Joe sadly.

CUT TO

INT. CAR - DAY

Joe drives, Susan next to him and Mike at back seat.

SUSAN
(nervous)
No no! It's just
heartbreaker. I cannot
stand to see that.

JOE
(calm)
Come on sweetie,
take it easy.
(nods to Mike)
He's just a kid.

SUSAN
(nervous)
No, you can't say
that!

JOE
Come on Susan,
(smiles at Mike)
He's good and will
be fine.

Mike listens to them carefully.

SUSAN

I struggle to make
friends for him but he
is still a loner.

JOE

It's early to worry
about his social
life. It's very
normal at his age.

SUSAN

(yells)

No! it is his social
pain!

(head down, cries)

Oh my God! Oh my
God!

CUT TO

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Susan talks on the phone and Mike plays with his teddy
bear.

SUSAN (to speaker)

You can't imagine how
cruel is that Nelly.
A lonely boy on the
playground. No, it
happens all the time.
It is antisocial
personality disorder.

Mike walks away from Susan and plays with his teddy bear.
Susan takes a seat.

SUSAN (to speaker)

Come on Nelly I
offered a variety of
opportunities for
him socializing but
didn't work.

Mike STILL plays with his Teddy, we hardly hear Susan.

MIKE (V.O.) (INNER VOICE)
Teddy I think I better
not play with you any
more.

(listens to Teddy)
You said, you wonder
why I won't play with
you any more?

Mike looks at Susan and leans to Teddy and whispers.

MIKE (V.O.) (INNER VOICE)
It's not a secret Teddy.
I can't play with you
any more because I have
antisocial personality
disorder.

FADE OUT

THE END