DON AND SEAN'S BIG PARTY

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FADE IN

INT. HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA - DAY

DON (16), round-rimmed glasses, short, dark straight hair, slight build, sits at a table. Across from him is his friend SEAN (16), dark hair, muscular build for a teenager. They quietly eat their lunch. Sean breaks the silence.

> SEAN Doing anything this weekend?

DON Naa. My parents are going away to Chicago for a Halloween bash. I'm supposed to watch the house.

SEAN Your parents are going away and you're not having a party?

DON

I can't have a party without my parents home. They'll never give me permission.

SEAN

That's when you have the best party <u>ever</u>! Do you remember the party I had last summer? It was the place to be. You, my friend, could top that.

DON

You think?

SEAN

With your house, definitely. We got a few days to plan. Let's start with the invite list.

Don pulls a sheet of paper from his notebook.

INT. SCHOOL LIBRARY - DAY

The after school ambiance is quiet. Don and Sean converse in whispers.

SEAN We need to come up with some activities for the party. DON

(smiling)

I'm thinking of making it a costume party. It is Halloween you know.

SEAN We can do better than that.

DON Nothing's better than cos-play.

SEAN Okay, fine. But we need more. Ever play Seven Minutes of Heaven?

DON I don't know if I want to do that.

SEAN

Why?

DON Well, so far... we only invited guys.

JUDY GOLDBERG (17), heavy make-up, bouffant hair, and dripping with gold bling, takes a seat at their table. She addresses them with a thick Long Island accent.

JUDY I hear you two are planning a party.

DON Thinking about it.

JUDY <u>Thinking</u> about it?

SEAN Okay, yeah. We're having a party. What about it?

JUDY Have you invited any girls?

DON Not yet, but we're going to.

She scowls incredulously.

JUDY

Normally, I just give advice. You darlings, need way too much help. You're in a whole new ball game, way outta your league. (MORE) JUDY (cont'd) You don't know any girls now, do you? I can put it all together for you, but it's going to cost you.

DON Can you make it a costume party?

Judy rolls her eyes. She lets out a sigh.

JUDY

Sure.

DON

How much?

JUDY Two hundred dollars.

> SEAN (to Don)

It's worth it. I know you have the money. I can put in some.

DON

Deal.

INT. DON'S HOUSE - DON'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Don lays on his stomach, phone in hand.

INT. SEAN'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Sean sits with his feet on a desk, leans back in a chair.

SEAN Have you heard the word? Judy's inviting everyone. It's going to be awesome! Just think of all that's going to happen with your parents

gone and you with the whole house to

INTERCUT PHONE CALL

Don rolls over onto his back.

yourself.

DON (smiling) Yeah. SEAN

By the way, why is your sister going with your parents and not you?

SFX: THE SOUND OF A NEEDLE SCREECHING ACROSS A VINYL RECORD. Don gasps as his eyes bug out with the brute force of panic.

SEAN (cont'd) Don? Are you still there?

DON

I forgot about Andrea! What am I going to do?

SEAN Can't she go to a friend's house?

DON Great idea. I'll call you back.

ANDREA'S BEDROOM

ANDREA (12) sits at a desk doing homework. There is a knock at the door.

ANDREA

Come in?

Don enters.

DON Ummm, can you go to Khamanna's house this weekend.

ANDREA

Maybe.

DON What do you mean, maybe?

ANDREA Cost you a hundred dollars.

DON What? To spend a weekend at Khamanna's?

ANDREA

No, that's only ten dollars. The other ninety is to keep my mouth shut. I know what you are planning.

DON

That's extortion!

ANDREA No, that's business. I'll sweeten the deal for you. I know where Mom and Dad keep the keys to the wine cellar and the liquor cabinet.

Don grinds his teeth.

DON

(after a pause) Okay, deal.

DON'S BEDROOM

Don returns, picks up his phone, dials. After a pause he speaks.

DON We're all set. She'll be out of the house. All systems are go.

There is a victory SCREAM (O.S.) from the phone.

INT./EXT. DON'S HOUSE - NIGHT

In a luxurious McMansion, the party is a huge success, teenagers everywhere. More than half are in costumes.

INT. LIVING ROOM

Immaculately and expensively decorated. Don enters and sees empty wine and liquor bottles spread across a coffee table. He sees and grabs Sean. They huddle in the corner.

DON

You wiped out my half parents stash! At least five hundred dollars in wine alone! They're going to kill me!

SEAN

Relax. We can re-stock it all before they get home. We just get some cheap stuff and refill the bottles. By the way, we should start playing Seven Minutes of Heaven now. See who you can get to play. Sean passes out small paper scraps and some pens to those in the living room.

SEAN (to the party crowd) We all know the rules. Write your names on the paper, put it in one of the bowls. Guys on the right, chicks on the left.

Don leaves the room for the --

KITCHEN

MICK (16) stands at the counter, operates a blender. He stops the blender and serves milkshakes to two space aliens seated at the table.

DON We're going to play Seven Minutes of Heaven. You guys in?

Mick shakes his head.

MICK You know I'm back with Alice and these two just started eating.

The aliens nod in agreement. Don leaves for the --

EXT. DECK

Surrounded by a three foot high railing, overlooks a fifteen foot drop.

KIKI CARRUTHERS (16), dressed as a London police detective holds a pad and pencil. She interviews SARA (16).

KIKI CARRUTHERS Why did you throw Jason over the railing?

SARA It was self defense.

KIKI CARRUTHERS Do you know Michael Cade?

SARA Ummm... Never heard of him.

Don approaches them.

DON

We're about to start Seven Minutes of Heaven. Are you two in?

KIKI CARRUTHERS

No.

Sara looks over the railing at her non-responsive exboyfriend below. A big smile spreads across her face.

SARA

Sure, why not? I'll be right there.

Don strolls down the steps to the --

BACK YARD

A patio surrounds a swimming pool and fire pit.

KIMBERLY JONES (16) lounges poolside with THERESA RIVERA (18). Don takes a seat beside them. Theresa is dressed as a nun. Kimberly just looks hot in her form-fitting dress.

DON Either of you want to play Seven Minutes of Heaven?

Theresa looks at him like he has ten heads. Kimberly raises her eyebrows.

KIMBERLY I think I can make a buck.

She leaves.

A big fire fills the fire pit. SARA WHITMORE (17) and CLAY WHITMORE (14) stand beside it. They wear matching red robes.

Don approaches them.

DON We're about to play Seven Minutes of Heaven. You two in?

SARA WHITMORE We're busy summoning a demon who will make us immortal. We need a volunteer. You want to help?

Don runs for his life.

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DRIVEWAY

Filled with an assortment of motor vehicles. Party goers hang from and ride the garage door as it opens and closes. A band plays music in the garage. There are people dancing inside and outside the garage.

Don emerges from around the house. He approaches a white Rolls Royce parked in the driveway next to a water logged muscle car.

DON

Who moved my dad's Rolls?

He is ignored. After a sigh, he enters the garage in between garage door movements.

INT. GARAGE

ZIGGY FREUD (18), dressed as the renowned psycho analyst, fronts the band PINK FREUD, as labeled on the drum set. JOE FARRIS (18) rocks the place with an energetic violin solo.

Valley girls BRANDY and SELINA (both 16) dance with someone dressed as THE GRIM REAPER.

HUNTER (16) and SHINE (14) wear overalls and dance as a small drove of pigs circle around them.

Someone dressed as ERWIN SHRODINGER stands in a corner. He holds a box with CAT written on it, nods to the music.

Don closes his eyes and shakes his head, takes a deep breath. He shouts over the din, tries to get anybody's attention and fails. He leaves.

BASEMENT

Two men sit at a card table: WALT (18), dressed in black as a wild west gunfighter, plays poker with a PREACHER (18).

Don arrives.

DON Anybody want to play Seven Minutes of Heaven?

The preacher turns, stares coldly with reptilian eyes. He emits a rattle like a rattlesnake.

DON (cont'd) I can take a hint.

LIVING ROOM

Don enters. The room is now full of party guests in various costumes. Most are nuns and devils. He nods to his friend SPENCE (16), dressed as Spock.

Sean walks to and puts his arm around Don.

SEAN I think we should thank our honored host by having him go first. Now let's see who the lucky lady is.

Sean closes his eyes and fishes around the "Chicks" bowl.

SEAN (cont'd) Okay... And the winner is Kimberly!

The heals of her stilettos click on the hardwood floor as she steps forward.

Sean opens the closet door, revealing two armless chairs placed side-by-side as a makeshift love seat.

The two sit, Sean closes the door.

LOVE CLOSET

Don and Kimberly sit side-by-side on the chairs.

DON (nervous) I'm new at this. What do we do?

KIMBERLY Whatever you want for twenty bucks. For another twenty, I'll give you the full girlfriend experience.

Don reaches for his wallet.

After the payment, she caresses him gently, runs her fingers through his hair. When he leans in for a kiss, she raps her arms around him and pulls him in close. She hops into his lap and guides his hands over her dress.

Their kissing becomes more passionate when there is a loud SHUSH (O.S.) outside in the living room. All conversation ends and the world outside becomes quiet but for the hushed RUMBLING of rushed, panicked activity (O.S.)

Don calls out to the living room.

DON What's going on out there?

SEAN (O.S.) (shakily) Ummm... Nothing? Your seven minutes is almost up.

DON No way. That was way too fast to be seven minutes.

There is no reply, only departing footsteps.

KIMBERLY That was a pretty fast seven minutes.

There is a knock on the door.

DON

Okay, we're decent.

The door opens, revealing MOM and her seething glare and clenched teeth. Her chest heaves with every angry breath.

Don gasps with panic.

DON Mom, wait! I can explain!

MOM Don't bother.

DON Why are you home?

MOM Flight got cancelled.

DON Am I grounded?

MOM

Pretty much.

DON

For how long?

MOM (screaming) Till your <u>retirement</u>! 10.

FADE OUT