The Third Half Episode 2

Ву

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MORNING. INTERIOR. ELLIOT'S BEDROOM.

ELLIOT is in bed sleeping. A clock on his nightstand reads 6:12am. There is a loud knock, and then a double ring of the doorbell. Elliot's eyes snap open, red and full of sleep.

ELLIOT

What the hell?

Elliot grabs his clock and looks at the time. He sits up for a minute but there's only silence.

ELLIOT

Ugh, guess it was nothing.

Elliot slides back under the covers and shuts his eyes. After a beat we hear the sound of the front door opening and some muffled talking. Elliot sits back up.

ELLIOT

Shit, somebodies breaking in?

HALLWAY.

Elliot slowly cracks his door open peering out to look down the hallway. It's clear so he slowly steps out holding a metal baseball bat. He makes it to the bathroom door and slides inside. He hears murmuring and then a loud clang of silverware dropped on the floor followed by laughing. He peers out of the bathroom door and sees a short shape pass the hallway entrance to the living room. A second larger shape passes by. Elliot takes a deep breath before running headlong down the hallway brandishing the bat and screaming.

ELLIOT

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LIVING ROOM.

Elliot bursts into the living room swinging the bat around. We pull back to reveal EON and TAKT sitting on the couch with cups of tea. Elliot stops, still holding the bat above his head and breathing hard.

TAKT

Is your roommate always like this?

EON

No, this is new. Elliot, is everything ok?

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ELLIOT

I, yeah.

Elliot lowers the bat.

ELLIOT

I thought you were robbers.

EON

What? No.

TAKT

Oh, I bet he heard when we dropped the silverware.

EON

Yeah, you might want to fix that drawer. It seems to get stuck.

ELLIOT

Eon, you uh, want to tell me who our guest is?

EON

Right. Elliot, this is my friend Takt. Takt, Elliot.

ELLIOT

You told me last night you didn't know anybody else in town.

EON

I said any other human in town.

TAKT

Yeah, I'm an octopus.

ELLIOT

I see that. Well, great. I'm going to go take a shower since my alarm is going to go off in -

an alarm beeping is heard from the hallway.

ELLIOT

Yeah. If you guys weren't here when I got out that'd be great. Thanks.

Elliot leaves down the hallway.

TAKT

Wow, he's not the friendliest guy. You sure he wants us to be roommates?

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EON

Oh yeah. It's just a show he puts on. Try and scare people away or something I guess. Why don't we fix him some kind of surprise breakfast and then you'll see he's not so bad.

TAKT

I don't see how'd he could argue with that.

BATHROOM.

Elliot is combing his hair in a foggy mirror. He hears clinking and banging.

ELLIOT

(sigh)

I knew it'd be too good to be true if they actually listened to me.

KITCHEN.

Elliot walks in.

ELLIOT

I thought I told you guys-

Elliot stops in his tracks surprised to see his kitchen table with an assortment of juices, pancakes and bacon.

ELLIOT

-to leave. Where did you get all this from? Is there somebody else here I should know about?

EON

What? No. We made it while you showered. To thank you for letting me stay last night.

Elliot walks to the kitchen entrance and looks inside.

ELLIOT

And, you didn't even make a huge mess I'd only discover after eating? Wow.

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TAKT

We're not that unresponsible.

EON

C'mon take a seat and eat up.

ELLIOT

Well, uh, thanks guys.

He leans over to Eon.

ELLIOT

(whispering to Eon)

He his a guy right?

EON

Yeah.

Takt gives Elliot a look of "C'mon? Really?".

ELLIOT

Sorry, I don't have a lot of experience hanging out with invertibrates.

TAKT

Yeah, well, I guess that's ok.

Elliot starts to eat.

ELLIOT

You know, this is pretty good. Where did you get the bacon though? I didn't have any here?

EON

Oh, Takt brought that when he came over.

TAKT

It's one of those things you just might need during the day right?

ELLIOT

Uh, right.

A short round of silence while Elliot eats and Eon and Takt just sit there.

EON

So. Elliot.

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ELLIOT

(suspicously)

Yes?

EON

We should get going.

ELLIOT

Oh.

TAKT

Yeah, we've got that appointment at nine.

EON

And I need to meet up with the super to get into my apartment.

ELLIOT

Well, uh.

Eon and Takt get up and gather a few things.

EON

Yeah, so have a good day at work and stuff buddy.

ELLIOT

Yeah, you too Eon.

Eon and Takt are almost through the door.

ELLIOT

Hey Eon.

Eon turns back.

EON

Yeah?

ELLIOT

Next time you drop by, call first?

EON

Oh, sure. No problem.

The door closes and Elliot is left at the table to finish his breakfast.