SCREENPLAY

~~SCHOOL SPIRIT~~

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FADE IN

INT. SEMI-DARK BOILER ROOM. EARLY MORNING – PRESENT DAY

A closed small door covered in spider webs and dust in the back of the room rattles as though something is trying to push it open.

INT. PRINCIPAL CAINE'S OFFICE. EARLY MORNING

MANUEL(43)(Janitor)
(spanish accent)
You ask for me sir?

PRINCIPAL CAINE (mid 40's)
Yes Manuel, the teachers are complaining again about the loud knocking noises coming from the boiler room. Isn't there something you can do about it?

MANUEL
Yes sir, I go fix it.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
Thank you Manuel... That will be all.

INT. BOILER ROOM. EARLY MORNING.

Manuel walks through the semi-dark boiler room with a flashlight. He hears the sounds of banging getting louder and louder as he approaches the back of the room.

He shines the beam of light on the door nob of a closed small door. As he begins to turn the knob a large white puff of smoke quickly flows out from behind the door with a loud screeching sound.

MANUEL
(In fear)
No! No! Nooooo!

Manuel passes out

FADE OUT
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EXT. SUBURBAN BRICK HOUSE. EARLY MORNING.

UPLOAD MUSIC- ANIMOTION-ROOM TO MOVE

MRS. CAROL ZEBLER -(V.O.)
Zack! Zack! It's time for school. Wake up!

INT. ZACK'S HOUSE. EARLY MORNING

FADE MUSIC

MRS. CAROL ZEBLER (43)
(Standing at Zack's open bedroom door)
Zack wake up! Zack! Zack wake up! It's time to get ready for school.

ZACK (14)
(Laying in bed with the covers pulled over his head.)
(moaning)
Ok!

Chance, the large white family dog lays at the foot of Zack's bed.

CAROL
Come on Chance. Do you want to go out?

At the sound of a doorbell chiming, Carol closes the bedroom door with Chance at her heels and walks down stairs.

CAROL
(opening the front door)
Hi Ryan.

RYAN (14)
(Stepping into the house)
Hi, Mrs. Zebler. Is Zack ready?

CAROL
No he's still in bed. Why don't you go wake him up.

RYAN
Ok.
Ryan darts up the staircase and enters Zack's bedroom to see Zack sitting up on the bed leaning against the wall.

**ZACK**
(Stretching)
Hi Ryan

As Ryan begins to close the bedroom door behind him, he feels a weight of someone trying to push it back open from the other side. Ryan looks out the door to see Zack's little sister trying to get in.

**RYAN**
(Touching the top of her head)
Hey there Hailey. How are you this morning?

**HAILEY**
(6)
(Walking in the door past Ryan)
Zack, mommy said you need to get up for school.

**ZACK**
Get out Goblet! I'm getting up.

**HAILEY**
Mom and daddy said now!

**ZACK**
(Throwing a bed pillow)
I said get out before I lock you in the dungeon.

**HAILEY**
(Running out of the bedroom)
Mom! Zack threw a pillow at me and threatening to lock me in the basement.

**RYAN**
(Closing the bedroom door)
Man! I am so glad I am an only child.

**ZACK**
(Sitting up on the side of the bed)
Well you can have her. Sometimes she can be such a pain.
HAILEY
(From outside the closed bedroom door)
Zack! Mom and dad said you need to come downstairs to eat breakfast before school.

ZACK
Shut up Goblet! I'll be down in a minute!

RYAN
(Leaning up against the closed bedroom door)
Did you finish your Physics homework?

ZACK
No! I'm going to finish it when I get to school. I have to find a book in the library that helps with all the answers.

RYAN
Cool! I need that book. I haven't done any of my homework in Physics.

ZACK
Man, you are going to be in ninth grade with Goblet while the rest of us are graduating.

ZACK AND RYAN
(Laugh)

RYAN
I have a feeling that today is going to be a good day being Mrs. Cuncheck is out for the rest of the year having her baby. We now have a sub for third period.

ZACK
(Walking into the bathroom)
Well, maybe you will slide through History class then.

ZACK AND RYAN
(laugh)

RYAN
Hurry up Zack. We are going to be late for school.
ZACK
I'll be ready in a moment. I wish I didn't have to go to school this morning. I just know the jock strap brothers are going to be there waiting for me when I get there.

RYAN
(Cracking open the door after feeling something hit the other side)
Yeah I know but we need to find a way to get them back.

Chance pushes open the bedroom door and jumps onto the foot of Zack's bed.

RYAN
(Patting Chance on the head)
Hey Chancey boy!

Chance yawns and lays down.

ZACK
You're asking for a miracle aren't you? We will always be running from them jerks.

RYAN
Hey! Nothing is ever to impossible to achieve if you put your mind to it! Isn't that what Cuncheck always said?

ZACK
(In a high pitch voice)
Now boys! I know you can do it! Nothing is ever to impossible to achieve if you put your mind to it!

ZACK AND RYAN
(laugh)

RYAN
Let's go, I want to see Gretchin in her gym shorts before class starts.

ZACK
(Walking out of the bathroom)
Ryan you might as well give up on Gretchin, she's got the hots for Stark and you know what he will do to you!

RYAN
Well she is the hottest girl in Gradlin High!
Zack and Ryan enter the kitchen with their back packs dangling off one shoulder, heading towards the back door.

CAROL
Are you boys going to eat something before you leave?

ZACK
We're late mom, no time to eat.

CAROL
Ryan, are you hungry dear?

RYAN
I'll take a piece of toast Mrs. Zebler. Thanks!

Carol holds out the plate of toast towards Ryan as he grabs a slice.

ZACK
(Opening the back door)
Come on Ryan! We need to get to school. Bye mom! Bye dad! See you later, goblet.

HAILEY
Shut up butthead!

RYAN
(Giggling)
Bye Mrs. Zebler! Bye Mr. Zebler! Bye Hailey.

EXT. SCHOOL SIDEWALK. MORNING.

Zack and Ryan watch as Gretchin(16) - a beautiful long haired blonde girl and Stark(17) six foot jock, as they walk by hand and hand.

RYAN
(Staring at Gretchin's butt)
Mmm. I wish I could have her as my girl. Just once, just once I would like to touch that.

ZACK
(Giggles)
Give it up Ry. You are not alive in her eyes.
RYAN
(Looking past the couple)
Zack look! What's going on at school?

Police cars, a fire truck and an ambulance are parked along side the curb in front of the school.

ZACK
(Yells out while running)
I don't know! Let's go see!

Ryan and Zack see Manuel laying on a gurney in the back of the ambulance with the back doors open.

MANUEL
(with deep spanish accent)
No! Don't go in! It's not normal! No go in!

RYAN
What is Manny saying?

ZACK
(running towards the front entrance of the high school)
I don't know, I can never understand what Manny says half the time. Let's go check it out!

EXT. SCHOOL ENTRANCE. MORNING.

CARTER(17) (Jock)
If it isn't the dork of Gradlin High.

BRIAN(17) (Jock)
Yeah and his little sister came along to carry his books.

RYAN
(Walking in the entrance of the school behind Zack)
Go scratch yourself jock strap!

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. MORNING.

RYAN
Just ignore them Zack. I want to find out what happened to Manny.

Carter grabs the back of Zack's coat.
CARTER
(opening a locker and forcing Zack in and closing the door behind him)
You want to know what happened to Manny Huh? Hear's what happened to him. He was caught in a dark place with no lights to see his way out.

ZACK
(kicking the inside of the locker)
Let me out! Let me out! That's enough Carter! You Jock Strap! Let me out!

(Giggling from other students walking by)

After hearing the school bell ring for the beginning of first period class.

Ryan opens the locker door and begins to shake his head in disbelief.

RYAN
He's gone Zack.

ZACK
(straightening out his clothes)
Dumb Jock. I am going to get Carter and his jock scratchers, if it's last thing I do before the end of the school year.

RYAN
Come on, and let's get to the library before Ms. Thatcher gives us I.S.S. That's the last thing we need right now.

Stares and giggles come from fellow students As Zack and Ryan walk down the hall towards the library.

INT. SCHOOL LIBRARY. MORNING.

Zack and Ryan sit at a long table between two tall bookselves off to one side of the room. As Zack does his homework from the night before, Ryan sits with his face propped in one hand gazing across the room at Gretchin.

RYAN
(Gazing)
Man, Stark is so lucky to have her as his girlfriend.
ZACK
(Whispering)
Shut up Ryan before you get us both in trouble.

RYAN
I can't help it. She's the woman of my dreams.

ZACK
(Whispering)
And that's about as far as you are going to get with Gretchin, is in your dreams. Now finish your homework before the bell rings.

RYAN
But She's wearing her cheerleader skirt Zack. Wow look at those legs.

MS. THATCHER (47) (LIBRARIAN)
(From across the room while sitting at her desk)
Shhhhh!

ZACK
(Whispering)
See! Now be quiet before she comes over here and writes us both up.

Ryan's view is suddenly interrupted by the site of a red plaid skirt.

RYAN
(Attempting to look around her)
Move Lindsay! You're blocking my view!

LINDSAY (14)
Keep dreaming Ryan, her only interests in life are Stark and Clairol.

ZACK
(Looking up from his books)
Oh, hi Lindsay.

RYAN
You're just jealous Lindsay. You wish you could look that good.
LINDSAY
Plastic isn't a fashion Ryan.

RYAN
Go stir up another potion will ya.

LINDSAY
(Sitting in the seat beside Zack)
I'm so glad you're working on Physics. I hate that subject. What did you get for number 3? And how did you find the answer?

ZACK
Oh you just carry the four that you get from the magnet charge and subtract it from the first answer which is ten parts metal. There's a book over there that gives you the answer. Come on and I'll show you.

Zack and Lindsay get up from the table and leave Ryan sitting there alone still gazing.

Gretchin looks up over Stark's shoulder to see Ryan staring at her. Ryan continues to stare as they get up from the table and leave. As Ryan quickly turns away, he notices that Zack and Lindsay are gone from the table.

ZACK
(Holding open a book, showing it to Lindsay)
See. This book has all the answers you will ever need for Physics. The who, what, why's and how's. I don't think the school even knows this book is in here.

RYAN
(Walking up behind Lindsay)
Hey guys. You disappeared on me.

LINDSAY
No Ryan. We left you to daydream at Gretchin. By the way, why aren't you still trying to get a glimps up her skirt? Did she puke at the site of you?

RYAN
NO! She, umm... caught me looking at her so she left.

ZACK
I told you Ry, give up on Gretchin, she doesn't want you.
LINDSAY
(Giggling)
Want him? She doesn't even know he's alive.

RYAN
Lindsay, I thought your people melted in daylight?
If only I could get her away from that jock, I could show
her how much of a man I can be for her.

LINDSAY
(Shaking her head)
Man? Hah! Oh brother!

RYAN
Have either of you heard about what had happened to Manny
this morning?

LINDSAY
No but I would sure like to find out.

ZACK
Yeah me too. He was such a nice guy.

RYAN
I can almost bet those Jock Strap Brothers had something
to do with it.

ZACK
Man I wish I could figure out a way to get them back.

LINDSAY
Zack, maybe you can find a book in here on getting revenge
on bullies.

RYAN
Or you can get Lindsay's mother to mix you up a potion.

LINDSAY
Shut up dweebo, we don't do harm to others. It can come
back.

ZACK
Enough you two! No thanks, I have to come up with my own
plan and when I do, it's going to be a good one.
As the three of them walk out from between the tall bookshelves, they hear something hit the floor behind them.

LINDSAY
(Looking back)
What was that?

ZACK
(Walking back towards the book and picking it up)
Look. It was this book.

RYAN
Just put it back Zack, we are going to be late for class.

After Zack places the book back on the shelf and begins to walk away, he hears it hit the floor again.

ZACK
(Going back to pick up the book)
Guys! It fell again.

LINDSAY
(Walking towards Zack)
Maybe you didn't put in all the way in the shelf. Here let me see it.

Lindsay takes the book from Zack and places it on the shelf and makes sure it is secured with bigger books on each side of it holding it in place before walking away.

Before she could turn around to walk away, the book once again flies off the shelf, hitting her in the arm before landing on the floor with the front cover face towards her.

LINDSAY
Ouch! That hurt!

ZACK
Come on Lindsay, just leave it there and come on before we miss next period.

As Lindsay, Zack and Ryan walk towards the end of the isle from between the book shelves, Zack feels himself step on something and glances down to see the book under his foot.
ZACK
(Picking the book up off the floor)
Hey Lindsay! Ry! Look at this! How did this get way over here from back there?

LINDSAY
(Grabbing the book from Zack's grip)
Maybe it's a sign or something.

RYAN
What's the name of it?

LINDSAY
(Reading the cover)
Parker's Greatest Revenge.

RYAN
Oh. I read that book back in middle school.

ZACK
Well, what's it about?

RYAN
It's about a boy named Parker who was always bullied at school and was never invited anywhere by others and when he grew up, he went on to college and became a successful and famous person. But his bullies became jail birds and drug dealers. His revenge was that he didn't let what they were doing to him bother him. He went on and lived a productive life and they in return, got what they deserved.

LINDSAY
(Handing the book to Zack)
Wicked! Maybe you should read this book Zack. Maybe it might be an answer to your problems.

ZACK
(Holding his hand out blocking Lindsay from handing him the book)
No book is going to help me get back at the Jock Straps Lindsay. I have to do this one on my own.

LINDSAY
(Laying the book on the table beside her)
Are you sure?
ZACK
Positive! Now let's get going before we miss class.

RYAN
(Looking at the clock above the door of the Library as they walk out)
Man! We have five minutes to get to our lockers and get to next period before the bell rings.

INT. CLASSROOM. MORNING

RYAN
(Laying his books on his desk)
Don't worry about them Z, they will get theirs soon enough. We just have to come up with a plan.

ZACK
(Sitting down at his desk beside Ryan's desk)
I know.

MRS. PEDIGRAY (50'S)
(Walking into the classroom)
Good morning everyone. We have a lot to catch up on. We have a test coming up in two days. I would like for all of you to put everything away except your notebooks.

While Mrs. Pedigray is writing on the board at the front of the room, Zack is drawing a picture of a bulldog in his notebook.

ZACK
(holding up the notebook towards Ryan)
Pssst. Ryan?
(Zack pointing at the picture on the page)
Mrs. Pedigray.

ZACK AND RYAN
(Laugh)

MRS. PEDIGRAY
There will be no giggling in my class Mr. Tyler!

RYAN
Yes Mrs. Pedigray.
MRS. PEDIGRAY
Mr. Zebler! I expect you to follow suit. With your grades, you really need to pay closer attention or you will not see tenth grade.

Laughter from the other students fill the room.

ZACK
Yes Mrs. Pedigray.

MRS. PEDIGRAY
Good! Now class, I would like for you to pull out your notebooks and write down all the notes I have written on the board. I want you to learn them, breathe them, be them, for the next few days. We are going to learn everything there is to know about the human body and what they are used for.

Zack lays the notebook back on the desk, turns to a clean page and begins to write down the notes. After he finishes, he turns the page back to the picture of the bulldog and lays his pencil across the page right above the picture and begins to listen to Mrs. Pedigray talking at the front of the classroom.

Zack begins to hear a light faint sound of a dog barking and growling as he looks around the room.

ZACK
(leaning towards Ryan and whispers)
psst... Ryan! Ryan! Do you hear that?

RYAN
(holding his head down closer to the desk and leaning a little towards Zack)
Hear what? All I hear is you talking.

MRS. PEDIGRAY
Mr. Zebler and Mr. Tyler! Is there something you would like to share with the rest of the class?

ZACK
No mam!

RYAN
No mam!
MRS. PEDIGRAY
I am giving a test on this lesson in two days, I would advice you two to listen to me and not your whispering. Mr. Caine is quite lonely in his office and would love to have visitors.

ZACK AND RYAN
Yes mam!

The barking gets louder and louder and Zack looks down at his notebook to see the tail of the bulldog he had drawn, wagging and the dogs tongue hanging out of it's over sized mouth panting.

As the bulldog moves on the page, Zack watches as the dog grows a huge mouth full of teeth and bites onto the pencil that is laying across the page and snapping it in half.

ZACK
(Jerking his body backwards in his seat)
Ahhhh!

MRS. PEDIGRAY
Mr. Zebler, is there something you need to say?

Zack looks over at Ryan and shows him the picture on the page which to Ryan is just a still picture of a bulldog.

RYAN
(Holding his finger over his closed lips)
SHHHH! You're going to get us both in trouble!

MRS. PEDIGRAY
Mr. Zebler! I am speaking to you!

ZACK
No mam! I'm Sorry. I just got startled by something That's all.

Zack turns his attention back to the front of the class room and begins to hear the sounds of grawling coming from the notebook once again.

As he looks down at the drawing of the bulldog, he takes one finger to touch the page and the bulldog snarls and snaps at him with large shining teeth.
ZACK
(Jumps from his seat)
AHHH!

Zack looks around and sees the class looking at him.

ZACK
Mrs. Pedigray? I don't feel so good, may I be excused?

As Mrs. Pedigray turns towards the class from the chalk board, she sees Zack running out of the classroom.

INT. HALLWAY. MIDMORNING

As Zack runs toward the bathroom, he hears the sounds of muffled noises coming from the closed notebook.

INT. BATHROOM. MIDMORNING

Zack throws the notebook on the counter and the pages flip open to the picture of the bulldog.

BULLDOG
Wow! I almost sufficated in here.

Zack jumps back hitting the wall with his back and slides down as he watches the pages of the notebook begin to move.

BULLDOG
Don't worry little man, I won't hurtcha.

ZACK
Who are you?
What are you?

BULLDOG
I'm here to help you.

Zack slowly stands to his feet and walks slowly towards the notebook.

BULLDOG
(as Zack gets closer to the notebook)
Boo!
Zack jumps back against the wall as he hears laughter coming from the notebook.

**BULLDOG**
Ok! Ok! I'm sorry! I'm just kidding. I promise I'm not going to hurt you Zack, just please help me out of here before I get a paper cut!

Zack once again creeps closer and closer to the counter and sees the picture of the bulldog sitting upright with his tongue hanging out panting.

**ZACK**

**BULLDOG**
Hi Zack! I'm Dudley.

**ZACK**
How do you know my name?

**DUDLEY**
It's all inside this notebook. Not unless you stole this notebook from someone named Zack? Help me out of here. Please! Then we can talk.

**ZACK**
How did you get in there? Who are you? Why me?

**DUDLEY**
I really don't know my friend. I really don't know. But if you don't help me out of here, I guess we will never find out.

**ZACK**
What do you want me to do?

**DUDLEY**
Do me a favor, turn on all the hot water faucets and get it really steamy in here. I will show you who I am.

Zack with hesitation begins to turn on all the hot water faucets throughout the bathroom when suddenly he hears someone trying to open the bathroom door. Zack quickly darts to the door and pushes it closed and locks it.
RYAN
(From outside of the closed door in the hallway)
Hey Zack! It's me, Ryan! What are you doing in there?

Zack goes back to the door and unlocks it to let Ryan in, grabbing Ryan by the arm as he walks in, closing and locking the door behind him.

RYAN
Zack? What's going on with you? What's wrong? Mrs. Pedigray asked me to come check on you to see if you were ok. Are you ok Zack?

ZACK
(grabbing Ryan's arm and guiding him closer towards the sinks in the now steamed filled bathroom)
Ryan! Just be quiet and don't say anything ok?

RYAN
Zack! You're going crazy. What's with all the steam in here? What are you trying to do? This is no way to get rid of those zitts on your face. They have meds for that.

ZACK
(Pointing at the notebook)
See that?

RYAN
Yeah! It's your notebook. Zack, You're getting weird.

ZACK
Look closer Ryan!

RYAN
It's the picture you drew of Mrs. Pedigray. What about it?

ZACK
Ryan.. Shhhh! Watch and listen.

DUDLEY
Hey Ryan my man! How's it going Bud-day?

RYAN
(Ryan begins to stumble as he runs through the steamy room looking for the exit door)
Zack? What was that? Who was that?
ZACK
(Running after Ryan and grabs him by his shirt sleeve)
Ryan! Don't worry, he's not going to hurt you! --- I hope.

Suddenly Zack and Ryan stand in shock as they watch a ghostly figure form in a human body shape as it rises from the notebook towards the ceiling.

RYAN
(quivering)
Z-z-z-z-z-Zack?
What the hell is that?

ZACK
(With his mouth gaped open)
That's Dudley! He says he is here to help us.

DUDLEY(14)
(Stretching)
Ahhh That's better!
Oh Hi guys! I'm Dudley! Dudley Moorehouse.

RYAN
(Back stepping towards the door)
And I'm Outta here!

ZACK
(Grabbing Ryan's Shoulder)
He's not going to hurt us Ryan! If he wanted to kill us, he would have done it by now. Give it a chance. See what he is like.

RYAN
(Looking towards the steamed shaped figure of a body floating above their heads near the ceiling)
Then we call ghostbusters?

ZACK
Yeah, then we call ghostbusters.

RYAN
Ok.

ZACK
Where did you come from Dudley?
DUDLEY
I really don't remember, too much. All this steam is fogging my memory. Ha Ha. Get it, fog my memory? Ah – never mind.

RYAN
And he has a bad sense of humor.

Zack and Ryan jerk their heads around towards the door, as they begin to hear banging coming from the other side of the bathroom door.

ZACK
What am I going to do? What am I going to do with him? Dudley, get back in the notebook and hurry!

With a quick reaction, Zack runs into a bathroom stall and begins to make the vomiting sound.

ZACK
Let them in and just go along.

RYAN
Ok!

MRS. PEDIGRAY
(Knocking on the door)
Mr. Zebler? Are you in there?

RYAN
Oh no it's Pedigray!

ZACK
Open the door and let me handle this.

As Ryan unlocks the bathroom door, Mrs. Pedigray and Principal Caine stick their heads in the opened door to look around the bathroom as Ryan looks back at the notebook sitting on the counter and hears it slam shut, as it draws in the last bit of steam into it before closing.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
Is Mr. Zebler in here with you?

As they walk in, they hear the sounds of vomiting coming from one of the stalls.
MRS. PEDIGRAY
Mr. Tyler, is that Zack in there?

RYAN
(Looking back to see Zack sitting on the floor from under the closed stall door facing the toilet)
Yeah! That's him. He's really sick Mrs. Pedigray, Mr. Caine. I think he needs to go home.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
Ok! Help him clean his self up and get him to my office and I'll call his mother.

As Mrs. Pedigray and Principal Caine walk out of the bathroom and down the hall, Ryan takes a quick peek through the half opened door watching Principal Caine and Mrs. Pedigray disappear around the corner.

RYAN
(Tapping on the door of the stall)
Zack! the coast is clear, they're gone.

ZACK
(Getting off the floor and opening the stall door)
Good! Now what am I going to do?

RYAN
Principal Caine went to call your mom to come and get you.

ZACK
(shaking his head in disbelief)
Oh Man! What am I going to tell my mother?

RYAN
Tell her you're sick Zack. Dudley is back in the notebook so take it home and find out what is going on.

Zack goes to the notebook and notices some of the pages had gotten damp from the steam.

ZACK
(Taking paper towels to try and dry off the pages, and sees that the more he wipes, the writing on the pages smears more and more)
Ryan! The pages are ruined! What am I going to do? Dudley!
RYAN
(Looking up at the ceiling above him)
Dudley Are you there?

Suddenly the notebook jumps out of Zacks hands and lands back on the counter and the pages begin to flap in the wind.

DUDLEY
Howdy Boys!

ZACK
Is that you Dudley?

DUDLEY
Naw! I'm the ghost from Christmas Past! Boo! Ha! Ha! Ha!

RYAN
Well he certainly has a bad sense of humor.

Zack and Ryan hear the bathroom door open and Ryan suddenly runs to the book and slams his hand on the front cover to shut Dudley from talking.

Zack and Ryan lean up against the counter with their backs to the notebook as they watch the door open and Manuel walks in with rolls of paper towels in his arms.

ZACK AND RYAN
(With a surprised look on their faces)
Manny! You're back!

MANUEL
Hi guys. Yes I come back but Mr. Principal give Manny moocho money to come back. What I see this morning, must have been my imagination. It couldn't have been...

Manuel stops mid sentence and tries to see around behind the boys who still are leaning against the counter as to be hiding something.

RYAN
Couldn't have been what Manny?

MANUEL
Nothing! Never mind! What you boys got there?
RYAN
(Gripping tightly to the notebook behind his back)
UMMMM! Nothing Manny! It's just a notebook.

ZACK
I uhh had gotten sick while walking down the hall, Ryan just come in here to check on me.

MANUEL
(Walking out of the bathroom)
Ok! I think you guys need to be getting back to class.

ZACK
Ok Manny thanks.

Ryan and Zack watch the door close as Manuel leaves the bathroom.

ZACK
Wow! That was close.

RYAN
Yeah I know. Well, you need to be getting to Principal Caine's Office. Your mom is coming to take you home.

ZACK
(Walking towards the bathroom door with the notebook in his hand)
Meet me at my house this after school.

RYAN
No way will I miss this. I will be there right after school.

ZACK
(Opening the bathroom door)
And Ryan?

RYAN
Yeah?

ZACK
Don't tell anyone about this ok?

RYAN
Yeah right! Like anyone would beleive me anyways. Zack, they would put me in one of those nut houses if I was to try to explain this.
INT. PRINCIPAL CAINE'S OFFICE.

Zack opens the office door to see his mother standing beyond the enclosed glass office talking with Principal Caine.

He walks towards the closed door and begins to act like his stomach is hurting as he clutches one hand tightly to his stomach and the other to his book bag.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
There he is now. How are you feeling son?

ZACK
Not to hot. Can we go home mom?

CAROL
(Rubbing her hand on Zack's head and back)
Are you feeling any better?

Zack begins to feel things inside his book bag rattle.

ZACK
(moaning while holding his stomach)
No! I need to go home mom.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
(Patting Zack on his shoulder)
Well son, I hope you feel better by tomorrow. You know we have that pep rally tomorrow evening after school?

ZACK
Yes Principal Caine. I will.

EXT. SCHOOL PARKING LOT. NOON.

Zack begins to hear mumbling coming from his closed bookbag as he makes his way to the van a few feet away.

Suddenly he decides to try to cover up the sounds by making a moaning sound himself as he takes one arm to hold against his stomach.

EXT. DRIVEWAY. ZACK'S HOUSE. AFTERNOON.

The van pulls into the driveway of the house.
INT. ZACK'S HOUSE. AFTERNOON.

As Zack opens the front door of the house, he runs up the steps into his bedroom and closes the bedroom door behind him.

CAROL
(Closes the front door and Looks up the staircase)
Zack? Do you want some soup or something to help calm your stomach?

ZACK
(Yelling back through the closed bedroom door)
No thanks! I just need some rest mom and I will be ok!

CAROL
Ok! just yell if you need anything.

INT. ZACK'S BEDROOM. AFTERNOON.

ZACK
Ok mom!

Zack pulls the notebook out of his book bag and lays it on the bed next to Chance.

ZACK
(Whispering as he looks down at the notebook)
Dudley! Dudley! Are you there?

Zack picks up the notebook and begins to search through the pages. The notebook jumps from Zack's grip and flops onto the bed.

DUDLEY
Boy! We need to work on these grades in here... No wonder you get picked on. Is that the alphabet or your actual grades? And that research report, a second grader could have gotten a better grade on that!

ZACK
Very funny! Come on out of there.

DUDLEY
(From across the room)
I'm already out.
ZACK
(Looking around the room)
Where are you?

DUDLEY
(Moving to different areas of the room)
I'm over here! No, I'm over here!

Zack grabs the baby powder off his dresser and throws it into the air. As Dudley begins to appear Zack watches him in awe.

DUDLEY
Aw man! You got me.

Zack and Dudley look over to see Hailey open the bedroom door and walk into the bedroom.

ZACK
(Forcing Hailey out the door)
Get out of here Goblet!

HAILEY
(Pushing her way back into the bedroom)
Mom told me to come check on you to see if you are ok.

Hailey looks across the room and sees a boy covered with white powder floating off the floor.

HAILEY
(In disbelief)
Whoa! Who is that Zack?

ZACK
(Pushing Hailey out the door)
None of your business Goblet! Now get out!

Zack finally gets Hailey out of the room with struggle.

DUDLEY
Goblet?

ZACK
Yea. She's my little sister and she so annoying!

DUDLEY
I had a sister once.
Chance looks over at Dudley and begins to whimper in fear.

DUDLEY
(Making the sounds of a growling dog)
You got something to say mutt? BOOO!

Zack looks to see Chance whimpering and goes to sit at the closed bedroom door. Zack walks over and opens the door and quickly closes it behind Chance as he darts out into the hallway.

DUDLEY
He shouldn't have messed with me.

ZACK
(giggling)
Yeah, I'm sure he won't be growling at anybody else anytime soon.

DUDLEY
I had a dog once too.

ZACK
(looking over at Dudley)
So that's what you actually look like?

DUDLEY
(As he turns towards the mirror)
Duh! What did you think I...looked...like?

Zack looks on as he see's tears build up in Dudley's eyes.

ZACK
(Looking at the reflection of Dudley in the mirror)
Dudley, what's wrong?

DUDLEY
It's been so long...

ZACK
So long since what Dudley?

DUDLEY
(Not turning away from the mirror)
Since I've seen my face.
A knock on the bedroom door, startles Zack and Dudley. Zack watches as the bedroom doorknob slowly turns.

Zack quickly turns his head to see the powder that once was the form of Dudley fall into a pile onto the floor. As he looks back at the bedroom door, Carol looks in to see Zack laying under the covers on his bed.

**CAROL**
(whispers)
Honey, are you awake?

**ZACK**
(Moaning)
Huh?

**CAROL**
Lindsey is here. She brought your homework to you. Are you up for any company?

**ZACK**
Yeah, she can come in.

Carol looks over at the floor near the mirror and sees the white powder laying on the floor.

**CAROL**
Zack? What is that white stuff on the floor?

**ZACK**
(Looking over at the powder)
Ummm! I dropped the bottle of baby powder moving it to the bathroom.

**CAROL**
Well, we need to get that up. I'll go get the vacuum.

**ZACK**
Ummm, No mom, that's ok! I'll get it in a little while, don't worry.

**CAROL**
Ok! Do you need anything to Drink or eat?

**ZACK**
No thank you I'm feeling a little better.
CAROL
Don't be to long Lindsay, he needs his rest.

LINDSAY(14)
I won't Mrs. Zebler, I promise.

As Carol closes the door as she leaves the room, Zack jumps off the bed and walks to the notebook laying on the floor in front the mirror.

LINDSAY(14)
(watching Zack darting across the room)
I thought you were sick Zack? What are you doing out of bed?

ZACK
Shhhhh! Don't talk to loud Lindsay, I have something to show you.

LINDSAY
(sitting on the foot of the bed)
Zack! Get back in bed! You're sick remember? Besides if your mom catches you out of bed, she will really be mad.

ZACK
I'm not sick Lindsay, Just wait and see this.

LINDSAY
Then why did you go home early? Everyone said you had gotten sick.

ZACK
(fumbling through the notebook)
Dudley, it's OK, You can come out.

LINDSAY
Who's Dudley? This sickness must really be getting to your head.

ZACK
I'm not sick! This is the reason I'm acting like I'm sick.

ZACK
Dudley?
DUDLEY
I'm already here.

LINDSAY
(Looking across the room)
Zack? How did you throw your voice like that?

ZACK
I didn't Lindsay! I'm trying to show you! Lindsay, don't get scared just sit there and watch.

ZACK
(Pointing towards the floor at the foot of the bed)
Dudley stand right here.

As Lindsay begins to speak, she watches as Zack grabs the bottle of baby powder off the dresser.

LINDSAY
What are you going to do with that?

Lindsay watches the white powder floating through the air, taking the form of a body in the middle of the room.

LINDSAY
(Sliding her body to the back of the bed leaning up against the wall)
Oh My God!

LINDSAY
(Stuttering)
Zzzzzack, What is going on? What is that? Who is that?

ZACK
(Spraying more powder on Dudley's body)
Lindsay, I would like you to meet Dudley!

DUDLEY
(Turning towards Lindsay)
Hi Lindsay, I'm Dudley Moorehouse. You can stop looking at me like that, you look like you've seen a ghost.

Lindsay continues to stare in shock at the figure of an upper body formed by baby powder floating in the center of the room.
LINDSAY
Zack, do you know what that is? My mom has told me about these before.

ZACK
Lindsay, I told you not to freak out. I came home acting sick because he possessed my notebook in class.

LINDSAY
(Picking up the phone on the end table)
Zack, these things are very dangerous. We need to get rid of it now. I can call my mom and she will know what to do.

ZACK
(Taking the phone out of Lindsay's hand and hanging it up)
He is not going to do anything to us Lindsay. Please just give him a chance to speak and maybe we can help him.

LINDSAY
Ok but when your ready, let me know.

ZACK
How old are you Dudley?

DUDLEY
(floating around the room)
Fourteen

ZACK
Where did you come from?

DUDLEY
I go to.....
(holding his head down)
I mean I used to go to Gradlin.

ZACK
What happened?

DUDLEY
(looking back into the floor length mirror)
Some bullies used to treat me the same way those bullies treat you. Well they knew my fear of dark places so they.......
Suddenly Dudley stops speaking in mid sentence as he stares closer into the mirror trying to hold back his tears.

DUDLEY
(As he goes into a flash back 26 years ago)
They locked me in the storage closet in the back of the boiler room and left me there.

EXT. SCHOOL GROUNDS. MID-DAY. 1980.

Dudley stands near the statue of the founder of Gradlin High School when he sees the Senior Jock Strap brothers, Tony Newbeck (17), Author Janson (17), Carter Lawson, Sr. (17), and Donevon Douglas, Sr. (17), walking towards him.

CARTER SR.
(grabbing Dudley by his collar)
Come on little dork, We have a surprise for you.

DUDLEY
(As he is being dragged by each arm by Carter and Tony)
Leave me alone Jock Straps! Let me go! Let me go!

Dudley suddenly looks up to see the door leading into the boiler room open.

INT. BOILER ROOM. 1980.

CARTER SR.
(Opening the closet door and forcing Dudley inside)
You need some alone time Dork. This way you can have sometime to be normal and not be such a nerd.

While crying in fear, Dudley watches as the bullies close the closet door leaving him in pitch darkness.

INT. ZACK'S BEDROOM. MID-DAY. PRESENT DAY.

DUDLEY
(Still looking at himself in the mirror)
I banged, I kicked and I screamed for help but no one ever came back to let me out. I have been there all this time.

ZACK
(beginning to stutter)
Is is is.... your body still in there?
DUDLEY
(Turning away from the mirror and floating back towards Zack and Lindsay as they sit together on the foot of the bed.)
No! Luckily someone told that I was in there, to bad after I had died of fear. I remember seeing the door open and people dragging my body out. I was still struck in fear and couldn't move. They took my body but my spirit couldn't leave the closet.

Lindsay gets up from the bed and walks over to Dudley, takes her finger and tries to touch him through the powder but the powder she touches crumbles to the floor beneath him.

LINDSAY
Oh Dudley! I'm so sorry for what those bullies did to you.

ZACK
Yeah Dudley! Me too.

DUDLEY
What year is it?

LINDSAY
(As she attempts numerous times to touch him)
It's 2007.... What year did you ummmm?

DUDLEY
1980. It's been that long? I was a freshman. Man! I just wish I could find out where they are and get my revenge back on them.

LINDSAY
Who were they?

Zack, Lindsay and Dudley turn their attention to the bedroom door as they hear knocking.

RYAN
Zack, It's me!

ZACK
(getting off the bed and rushes to the door to close it behind Ryan)
Shhhhhhh! Keep it down.
Ryan walks into the room and sees this powdered formed body floating across the room.

RYAN
WOW! Dudley?

DUDLEY
Yes! Hi Ryan.

RYAN
(Slowly walking over to the desk and sitting down, without breaking the view of Dudley)
So what did you find out Zack?

As Zack begins to speak, Ryan looks over at the head of the bed and notices Lindsay sitting there.

RYAN
Zack! You told Lindsay?

ZACK
I couldn't keep it from her Ryan she just showed up here. Besides, maybe she can be some good help with this. After all, her mother deals with stuff like this.

RYAN
(Shaking his head)
No! No! No! Zack! We tell anyone else about this I mean. I mean, What would they say?

ZACK
Ryan! I'm not saying we are going to announce him to the world, I'm just saying we might can use Lindsay's help!

LINDSAY
Hi Ryan! It's nice to see you.
(Mocking Ryan)
Hi Lindsay, it's nice to see you too.

RYAN
I'm sorry Lindsay. I was just a...

LINDSAY
I know, but I'm not going to say anything.
DUDLEY
Ummm! Guys? I am still here. I might be dead but I'm not deaf.

ZACK
Sorry Dudley

RYAN AND LINDSAY
Sorry Dudley.

LINDSAY
Dudley you never said what the bullies names were that did this to you?

DUDLEY
(Floating towards the mirror)
Everybody used to call them the Jock Straps.

ZACK, RYAN AND LINDSAY
(Giggle)

DUDLEY
What's so funny?

RYAN
UMMMM! Dudley? We call our bullies that.

DUDLEY
(While glancing into the mirror)
There was Newbeck.

ZACK
(With a surprised look on his face)
Newbeck?

DUDLEY
Yeah! They called him Amp but his real name was Tony Newbeck.

ZACK, RYAN AND LINDSAY
Oh my God!

DUDLEY
Do you know him?
ZACK

DUDLEY
There was Artie, Author Janson, There was Carter Lawson..

RYAN
Go on.

ZACK
Shut up Ryan! let him tell us.

DUDLEY
And there was one more.... Ummm, What was his name?

LINDSAY
Was it Donovan Douglas?

ZACK
Lindsay!

LINDSAY
What? it was just a wild guess.

Dudley quickly turns from the mirror and floats toward the bed where Zack and Lindsay sit.

DUDLEY
(In an angry voice)
You know him? You know all of them? You know who they are? Don't you? Where do they live?

ZACK
(Getting off the bed and walks over to Dudley who begins to float around the room as though to pace the floor.) Calm down man. Please, my mom and dad are going to hear you.

As Dudley begins to slow down a little, Zack walks to Dudley's side and tries to place his hand on Dudley's shoulder.

ZACK
(As his hand passes through Dudley into mid air) Dudley?... Those are the fathers of my bullies.
Dudley begins to pace through the air faster and faster and suddenly stops short in front of Zack.

DUDLEY
Let's go get-em!

ZACK
Hold on Dudley! We just can't go get them like that. We need to have a plan. We have to sneak up on them.
(Rubbing his hands together while giggling)
One by one by one.

DUDLEY
(Taking a deep breath)
Ok! What do you have in mind?

ZACK
Ok but we have to sneak up on them, surprise them like they do me.

All four huddle and begin to whisper out their plans for revenge.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. MORNING.

Lindsay stands at her locker and sees Zack and Ryan approaching her. She glances over their shoulders to see the Jock Strap Brothers walking up behind them.

LINDSAY
Oh god!

Zack feels a jerking of his collar and drops the notebook onto the floor, as he is pushed into a locker and the door is closed.

Lindsay and Ryan both look at the notebook on the floor and watch as the pages begin to move in a rapid movement.

LINDSAY
(Whispers while looking down at the notebook)
Hey Ryan, look.
RYAN
(Looking down at the notebook)
Uhh ohh!

LINDSAY AND RYAN
(Looking at each other)
Dudley!

The pages of the notebook suddenly stop moving and Ryan watches as the bullies stare in wonder at the notebook still laying open on the floor. The bullies suddenly shake their heads in disbelief as they walk away.

RYAN AND LINDSAY
(As they notice the pages of the notebook stop moving)
Dudley No!

Lindsay opens the locker and feels a cool breeze blow by her moving towards the direction of the bullies down the hall as she watches the Jock Strap Brothers start knocking books out of the hands of fellow students and disappearing around the corner.

ZACK
(Stepping out of the locker)
What happened? I heard you guys yell out to Dudley. What did I miss?

LINDSAY
(Leaning down and picking the notebook off the floor)
Ummm Zack?

ZACK
What?

LINDSAY
(Handing the notebook to Zack)
Dudley isn't in there anymore!

ZACK
(Looking at the front cover of the book and glancing down the hallway)
Oh No!... Dudley? What are you going to do?
LINDSAY
I'm sure what ever Dudley does to them, they will definitely deserve it.

INT. SCHOOL LUNCHROOM. MID-DAY

Ryan looks across the room holding his tray of food and sees Zack and Lindsay sitting at a table by themselves.

RYAN
(Leaning over Zack as he places his tray on the table beside him)
Hey! Have you guys heard anything?

ZACK
No! I sure hope everything is ok.

RYAN
Yeah because this could really mess up our plan of attack.

ZACK
Ry, SHHH! Someone might hear you.

LINDSAY
(Leaning across the table towards Zack and Ryan)
I am sure it is ok or we would have heard sirens or something by now if he was going to do something bad.

RYAN
(Taking a bite of his food)
Well after we told him the truth, Casper isn't going to be exactly the friendliest ghost to those jocks.

ZACK
His name is Dudley, Ryan! Not Casper!

RYAN
Sorry but I am trying to lighten up a little and think that maybe what ever Dudley does to the Jock Straps, that maybe they deserve it for what they do to you and what their fathers did to him.

ZACK
(Looking around the lunchroom)
Shhh! Keep it down Ryan, we don't want everyone to hear us.
LINDSAY
(With a frown on her face)
Dudley did get really mad didn't he?

RYAN
Do you think we can sneak out of Pedi's class and go find him?

LINDSAY
(Sitting back in her seat)
Oh No!... I am not going to sneak out of Pedigray's class.. She would put all of us in detention and we will miss the pep-rally.. Let's just wait until the pep rally and see what happens ok?

RYAN
Zack are you in?

ZACK
I have to agree with Lindsay. Ryan, we don't need to look suspicious.. Let's just wait until after school, during the pep rally, I'm sure he will turn up by then.

LINDSAY
(Looking at her watch)
Damn we are going to be late for fourth period.. Don't want to keep Pedigray waiting now do we? We have that test on Chemistry.

RYAN
(As the three of them get up from the table)
I sure hope your right.

LINDSAY
(As they continue to make their way to put away their lunch trays)
I am, Trust me!

While walking passed tables through the lunchroom, Lindsay hears someone whispering and giggling.

BOY(14)
Don't mess with her, her and her mother are witches!

Zack and Ryan turn to see Lindsay standing at a table and they began to walk back towards her.
LINDSAY
(Holding one hand waving it in the air over the table while closing her eyes)
Hivasia... shavalavadingdong

BOY
(laughing)
Dingdong? I guess we are going to turn into cream filled pastries!

The students at the table begin to laugh out loud.

BOY
Well Mace, you're already a Ho-Ho!

Mace(Female,14) gets up from the table mad and walks out of the cafeteria crying.

ZACK
Way to go dorko! Your only chance at a real woman and she just stormed out of the cafeteria.

Lindsay and Zack walk away from the table and join Ryan who is still standing on the other end closer the door.

ZACK
Don't worry about them Lindsay, they are all geeks.

RYAN
Did you uh, really put a hoax on them Lindsay?

LINDSAY
It's a hex moron and yes I did.

As the three of them exit the cafeteria through the double doors leading into the hallway, Lindsay turns to look at the table of the whispering students and blows a kiss a them as the swinging doors close in front of her.

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. MID-DAY

ZACK
(Closing his locker with his books in his arms, Zack looks over at Lindsay and Ryan)
3 O'clock bell, meet me in the awards hallway ok?
LINDSAY AND RYAN
Ok!

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. CLASSROOM. AFTERNOON.

View of the Jock Strap Brothers sitting at one large table in the back of the classroom laughing while they play around with frogs in jars sitting on the table.

MALE TEACHER
(Walking around in the classroom)
Ok everyone, take off the lids to your jars and drop in one cotton ball and quickly close it back so the fumes will stay inside.

Views through the glass jar looking up at Carter, Jr. as he laughs. As Carter takes off the lid of the jar, the frog jumps out onto his face.

CARTER, JR.
(Jumping back in his seat with the frog on his face)
Get it off me! Get it off me!

The other students including the other jock strap brothers begin to laugh out loud at Carter while watch him jump around with the frog on his face.

Suddenly, all the other frogs begin to escape from the other jars and hop around the classroom.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

EXT. FULL FRONT VIEW OF THE SCHOOL. AFTERNOON

The sound of the 3 O'Clock bell.

INT. SCHOOL AWARDS HALLWAY. 3 O'CLOCK
Zack stands at the back corner of the trophy cases which lines the walls of the hallway watching the other students and teases rush by heading towards the gymnasium.

Zack looks over and sees Lindsay and Ryan walking towards him and grabs their arms as they get closer.

LINDSAY
Anything yet?

ZACK
No. You?

LINDSAY
Not a word.

RYAN
Me either. Ok, Are you ready to go find Dudley and see what he's been up to all day?

ZACK
Yeah, Follow me.

LINDSAY
(As they begin to hear cheering behind the closed gym doors)
I sure hope Gradlin smears Medalton into the hardwood.

ZACK
Me too.

RYAN
Guys, we have work to do. No time for chit chat.

As Zack, Ryan and Lindsay walk past the gym and classrooms containing teachers talking, Zack suddenly stops to hear the cheering of the game get louder.

ZACK
Uhh, guys!
You're not thinking what I'm thinking are you?

LINDSAY
What Zack?
RYAN
We don't have time to stand here, we are going to get caught!

As they continue to look at each other in wonder, Ryan catches on to Zack's notion.

RYAN
Oh No!

ZACK, RYAN AND LINDSAY
Dudley!

INT. SCHOOL GYM. AFTERNOON

They peer through the doors leading into the gym right beside the bleachers as they hear the loudness of cheering and students standing in rows.

ZACK
(sliding against the wall towards the back of the bleachers)
Follow me, we have to stop him before he causes someone to get hurt.

RYAN
(standing in shock as he looks across the floor)
Umm, I think we are too late!

As all three look up at the visitors side of the gym, they see the pants of on lookers falling to the floor.

LINDSAY
Man he is really beating the pants of those guys aint he?

ZACK AND RYAN
Oh man, Dudley!

RYAN
Zack, we have to get over there and stop him before...

Ryan stops in mid sentence while watching Gordon Graidon(17), the smallest player on the home team dribbling the ball across the floor, jumps up in the air, hangs from the rim of the basketball goal making his first known shot of the season at the sound of the buzzer.
Ryan looks over beside him to see that Zack and Lindsay are not there. He looks across the gym to see them standing on the other side behind the bleachers of the visiting team.

RYAN
Oh No, What are they up to?

Ryan slowly creeps his way around the bleachers as the home team continues to stand above him cheering.

Ryan begins to walk towards Zack and Lindsay, he sees the double doors leading into the hallway fly open and a light mist exits the gym.

RYAN
(As he looks at Zack and Lindsay, he points at the double doors leading into the hallway)
There he goes!

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. AFTERNOON

Zack feels a tug on his collar and looks around to see Brian Newbeck with a hold of the back of his shirt and dragging him towards the lockers. Out of nowhere, Lindsay and Ryan hear a loud roar and feel a hard breeze blow past them.

Ryan watches in the same direction of the breeze as Jimmy Janson backwards down the hall by the seat of the pants.

RYAN
Dudley No!

Brian looks around in fear as he losens the grip of Zack's shirt and watches his friend Jimmy slide backwards into the double doors at the end of the hall leading outside.

BRIAN
What the heck was that? J.J. Are you ok?

JIMMY
(Standing up)
Brian! Something grabbed me and.....

Brian looks at Jimmy as he stops speaking and begins to see him develop a surprised look on his face while Jimmy continued to look in Brian's direction.
JIMMY
(Pointing towards Brian)
Brian, Look!

As Brian turns to look for Zack and the others, he looks up and sees Zack suspended in mid air, hovering over him.

ZACK
(Pointing at Brian. Zack speaks with an evil voice)
Leave me alone! Don't ever touch me again! I am more powerful than you think I am!

Brian and Jimmy, look over at Lindsay and Ryan, who are standing against the wall behind Zack with their mouths gaped open. Brian turns to look at Jimmy only to see the double doors on the other end of the hallway closing.

BRIAN
(Turning to run)
Forget this, You're crazy.

ZACK
(Pointing down at Brian)
That's right Newbeck and never forget that!

RYAN AND LINDSAY
Hey Brian? Where are you going? You're not scared are you?

As Brian continues to run towards the double doors, he turns to see Zack still hovering in mid-air following behind him.

Watching through the windows of the doors as Brian runs across the Football field, Lindsay, Ryan and Zack begin to laugh uncontrollably while sitting on the floor.

LINDSAY, ZACK AND RYAN
(Laughing)
Way to go Dudley!

ZACK
(In amazement)
Dudley, how did you do that?

Suddenly, without hearing a sound, the three of them cease the laughing and look towards the other end of the hallway.
LINDSAY
Dudley?

RYAN
(Standing up)
Zack, where's Dudley?

ZACK
I don't know. Maybe he's gone to find....Oh no!

LINDSAY, RYAN AND ZACK
Carter!

INT. STEAM FILLED SHOWER ROOM

Carter continues his shower, he begins to hear showers across the room turn on causing the room to completely fill with steam.

CARTER
(Attempting to look through the steam)
Who's there? It better not be you Zebler! I'm going to kill you! You better run!

Carter hears the sound of a mop bucket tip over and looks down feeling the dirty mop water wash past his feet and down the drain beneath him.

CARTER
(Backing up against the wall)
Who's there? I'm going to....

Giggling rings throughout the shower room as the lights in the room begin to flicker.

DUDLEY
Car-ter, we are here for you Car-ter.

CARTER
Who are you? That's enough Zebler! I'm going to kill you when I get my hands on you!

Carter watches as the steam in front of him begins to take the form of a large face.
DUDLEY
(Leaning towards Carter)
Boo! You're going to kill no one Lawson!

CARTER
(In fear)
Wha! Who...?

DUDLEY
I'm a part of your father's past Lawson! Go ask daddy about me! He should know all about it.

DUDLEY
Your going to leave my friends alone. Got it?

CARTER
(In fear)
Yeah! wha...what ever you say. But, who are your friends?

DUDLEY
(Getting closer to Carter)
Everyone you pick on.

CARTER
I uhh will! I promise!

DUDLEY
If I find out you have even touched one of these kids, I will be back for you when you least expect it. Got it? Good... Now Get out!

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. AFTERNOON.

As Zack opens the door leading into the showers, he is forced against the wall as Carter runs past him screaming, wearing only the look of fear upon his face and soap suds covering his private parts.

INT. GYMNASIUM. AFTERNOON.

Carter darts through the gymnasium filled with the staff, faculty and students during the after game party.

PRINCIPAL CAINE
And this just adds to our winning streak!
Everyone begins to laugh out loud as they watch in amazement as Carter streaks through the gym and out the double doors into the hallway.

INT. HALLWAY. AFTERNOON.

LINDSAY
(Covering her mouth with her hands trying to hold back her laughter)
Oh my God!

Zack and Ryan fall to the floor while they begin to laugh hysterically as Lindsay continues to stand above them in amazement.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. ZACK'S BEDROOM. EVENING

Zack, Ryan and Lindsay walk into Zack's bedroom laughing about what they just saw at school during the pep rally.

Zack sits down at the foot of his bed and opens his notebook turning to the picture of the bulldog.

LINDSAY
(Leaning over Zack's shoulder at the notebook)
Is he in there?

Zack places the notebook on the bed and they begin to watch as a plume of smoke spins out of the page. As the smoke rises towards the ceiling, it begins to take shape of Dudley.

DUDLEY
(With his arms extended out)
Hear's Dudley!

LINDSAY, ZACK AND RYAN
(Laughing)
Dudley! You're a hero!
RYAN
(Laughing)
Did you see the look on Brian's face? When he turned to see Zack floating above him? It was priceless.

ZACK
(Laughing)
Yep. Those jock straps won't be bothering me or anyone else for a long time. Thanks Dudley. Dudley?

CAROL
(knocking on the bedroom door and begins to push it open)
Are you kids joining us for dinner?

LINDSAY
(Looking at Zack and Ryan)
If it's no bother Ms. Zebler?

CAROL
Lindsay? You know it's no bother. I'm going to call Bella and let her know you're staying here for dinner ok?

LINDSAY
Thanks Ms. Zebler.

CAROL
Sure thing hun. What about you Ryan? Shall I call your mother as well?

RYAN
(Sitting at the desk looking at Zack)
Ummm.. Yeah sure.

CAROL
Great! Two more place settings at the table it will be.

As Carol closes the bedroom door to leave, Ryan reaches over and turns on the radio.

UPLOAD MUSIC - WANG CHUNG - EVERYBODY HAVE FUN TONIGHT

Zack suddenly feels a pillow hit him in the back of his head.

Zack tosses the pillow behind him hitting Lindsay in the back and suddenly, a pillow fight breaks out between Zack, Ryan, Dudley, and Lindsay.
As he begins to hear the sounds of crying, Zack grabs the bottle of baby powder and sprays it in the direction of Dudley's smokey form. The powder lands on top of Dudley showing him sitting on the floor with his face in his hands crying.

DUDLEY
(Looking up with wet powder on his face from his tears)
You wouldn't understand Zack. You have your family. Your friends. Your life.

The room gets silent as Lindsay, Ryan and Zack begin to listen to Dudley's concern.

DUDLEY
(Looking into the mirror at his powdered covered face and body)
Zack?

ZACK
(Looking at Dudley's reflection through the mirror)
Yes Dudley?

DUDLEY
Where's my parents? Where's my family?

ZACK
(Attempting to place one hand on Dudley's shoulder)
I don't know Dudman. I really don't know. But we can surely find them. Can't we guys?
As Zack looks back at Lindsay and Ryan who are still sitting on the bed, Zack feels the breeze of Dudley as he gets up from the floor.

DUDLEY
(Floating back and forth through the room)
I did you guys a favor. Now you have to do one for me.

ZACK
(Standing up)
What's that Dudley? We will do anything for you?

DUDLEY
Find my parents and my family and take me to see them.

ZACK
(Watching Dudley float around the room)
Uhh Dudley?

DUDLEY
(In an angry voice)
Just find them! I want to make sure they are ok!

ZACK
(Looking back at Ryan and Lindsay sitting on the bed)
Sure Dudley! We will find them! I uhhh, we, promise. Right Guys?

LINDSAY AND RYAN
Right!

ZACK
(Whispering to Lindsay)
I'll look his parents up on the computer once he's in the book tonight.

As they all begin to talk about Dudley's past and his family life, they hear Carol yelling for dinner from the bottom of the staircase.

ZACK
Coming mom!

LINDSAY
Umm Zack?
ZACK
What?

LINDSAY
What are we going to do about Dudley?

DUDLEY
I'm a big boy Lindsay. I can take care of myself while you guys are gone, thank you very much!

LINDSAY
Well?

RYAN
Shut up Lindsay! I smell something good coming from the kitchen, let's go eat.

INT. DININGROOM TABLE. EVENING

As Zack, Lindsay and Ryan take their seats at the table, Carol begins to say the prayer after they all join hands around the table.

LINDSAY
(After the prayer)
Thank you for inviting us to dinner Mrs. Zebler.

CAROL
You're welcome honey.

RYAN
(As he takes a bite of food)
Yeah Mrs. Zebler, this is good. Hey Zack? Do you think Dudley is hungry?

LINDSAY
Ryan! Shhh!

CAROL
Who's Dudley?

ZACK
Dudley? He didn't say Dudley mom, he said he must be hungry.

MR. ZEBLER
It sounded like Dudley to me!
HAILEY
(From across the table)
Dudley is their friend they are hiding in Zack's bedroom.

ZACK
Shut up goblet!

MR. ZEBLER
You're hiding a friend in your room named Dudley? Why?
Where is his parents?

ZACK
Dad, goblet doesn't know what she is talking about. There's
no one in my room. We were talking about a friend at school
named Dudley and goblet walked in on our conversation is
all.

LINDSAY
Yeah, that's what happened.

HAILEY
He's in there, I know it. I saw him in there earlier today.

CAROL
What did he look like Hailey?

HAILEY
He was covered in baby powder.

ZACK
Goblet, you saw Ryan wearing my sheet over his head in my
room.

CAROL
Now Hailey, are you making up lies again?

HAILEY
No mommy. I saw him.

ZACK
Then why don't you go up there and show him to mom and dad
goblet?

CAROL
Hailey that's about enough of your fabricated stories. Eat
your dinner and go take a bath.
HAILEY
Ok but I know what I saw.

ZACK
You saw nothing goblet, now shut up!

Mr. ZEBLER
That's about enough Zack.

ZACK
But dad, she keeps barging into my bedroom without permission.

HAILEY
This is a free country.

MR. ZEBLER
Hailey Marie, that's about enough! Now stop barging into your brothers' room without knocking first.

ZACK
Got that Goblet?

MR. ZEBLER
Zackery that's about enough.

ZACK
But dad?

MR. ZEBLER
I said Enough!

HAILEY
Ha-ha!

MR. ZEBLER
That goes for you as well young lady!

CAROL
(Holding a bowl over the table)
Ryan and Lindsay dear, would you like some more mashed potatoes?

RYAN
Yes Ms. Zebler, thank you.
LINDSAY
None for me thanks.

Carol and Mr. Zebler look at each other in wonder as Zack, Hailey, Ryan and Lindsay continue to eat.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. ZACK'S BEDROOM. NIGHTTIME

The bedroom is lit only by the light from the computer screen. Zack gets up from the bed and goes to the computer and sits down.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

EXT. SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF ZACK'S HOUSE. SATURDAY MORNING.

Zack walks out his front door down the steps to the sidewalk where he sees Lindsay and Ryan walking towards him.

LINDSAY
(Looking at the notebook in Zack's hand)
How is he doing this morning Zack?

ZACK
(Tapping on the front cover of the notebook)
He's ok, just kinda nervous.

RYAN
So, how far of a walk is this place? We don't have to take a bus or anything do we?

ZACK
No Ryan! They are only a few blocks away, and from what Dudley says, they might still live in the same house he was born in 44 years ago.

RYAN
Man! That's a long time ago!
ZACK
(Walking down the sidewalk)
Come on. Follow me.

EXT. IN FRONT OF DUDLEY'S HOUSE. MIDMORNING.

Zack begins to feel the notebook in his hand start to shake.

ZACK
Dudley What's wrong? I thought you wanted to do this?

Standing behind a tree on the edge of the sidewalk, Zack lays the notebook down on the ground and opens it to the page of the bulldog picture.

ZACK
Ok Dudley! The rest is up to you. Go see what you have wanted to see.

The three of them stand back to give Dudley some room to come out of the notebook.

DUDLEY
(Rising out of the notebook)
I'm scared. I don't know what they will look like now. What if...?

ZACK
Dudley, just go. It will be ok. You need to do this.

LINDSAY
Dudley, you have to do this. You have to see what you have missed all these years.

RYAN
Yeah Dudley. How will you know if you don't go.

DUDLEY
Ok, here goes nothing.

ZACK
That's the spirit.. I mean...Sorry.

DUDLEY
It's ok. I understand.
RYAN
Go get-em Dudman.

Lindsay, Zack and Ryan begin to walk to the front yard of the house and hide behind a bush under the large bay window of the livingroom.

Zack looks up over the top of the bush to look inside the window at two elderly people sitting in chairs on each side of the fireplace and another lady walking through the house from the kitchen to the livingroom bringing the elder people drinks and food.

DUDLEY
(In a whimpering voice)
I can't do it.

Zack jumps from being startled by Dudley's voice.

ZACK
(Looking around)
Dudley! Where are you? Why can't you do it? You wanted to see your family, and now you want to chicken out? What's wrong?

DUDLEY
(Shaking part of the bush)
What if they don't remember me? What if I scare them? I don't know what to say.

ZACK
Dudley! Look at all those pictures of you hanging on the walls, You're not going to say anything. You're just going to get close enough to them to see what they look like and find out how they are doing that's all.

ZACK
(Turning towards the window, to see a woman (40ish) walking through the room)
Dudley? Do you know who that is?

DUDLEY
She looks like someone I used to know but I can't place the face.

They hear the front door open as a car pulls up in the drive.
ZACK
Get down!

The lady walks out the door and walks towards the car in the driveway.

THE LADY
(As she walks to the drivers side of the car and gives the man a hug)
Dudley! I am so glad you made it here.

THE MAN (DUDLEY) (20ish)
Hi Mom! It was a long drive but I'm here.

As Zack, Lindsay and Ryan get a look at the man, they begin to see that he looks just like Dudley Moorehouse.

THE LADY
(As they walk into the house closing the door behind them)
Are you hungry? Come in and relax.

RYAN
Wow! He looks just like Dudley.

LINDSAY
(Looking at Zack and Ryan in wonder)
Dudley? Do you know who those people are?

DUDLEY
(In a whimpering voice)
That's my older sister Cara and that must be her son, she named her son after me? I'm an uncle?

ZACK
Dudley you're an uncle? How cool!

LINDSAY
Yeah Dudley!

RYAN
They never forgot you and she missed you so much, she named her son after you.

LINDSAY
your nephew was named after you. You should be happy!
As Lindsay, Zack and Ryan continue to peek through the hedges into the livingroom window, Zack notices that he does not hear a sound from Dudley.

ZACK
(Looking around)
Dudley, Are you ok?

LINDSAY
(Lindsay and Ryan continue looking through the window)
Ummm Zack?

ZACK
(Turning to Lindsay)
What?

LINDSAY
Dudley isn't out here.

ZACK
How do you know?

RYAN
(Pointing towards the window)
because he's in there with them.

The three of them look up to see a light smokey figure sitting on the couch near the window beside his nephew Dudley. In the house, the elderly lady who they figured out to be Mrs. Moorehouse (Dudley's mother), stops in the center of the room.

MRS. MOOREHOUSE (60ish)
(Holding her hands up to her nose)
Do any of you smell that?

CARA
Smell what mom? Wait I smell it too.

MRS. MOOREHOUSE
It smells like that cologne little Dudley used to wear.

CARA
Mom! Dudley is dead! Can you just accept it? He's gone mom!
(As her eyes fill with tears)
Mom! I smell that cake you're baking in the oven and nothing else.
Zack, Ryan and Lindsay watch as they see Dudley's ghostly figure float over to his mother while she stands in the center of the floor and he lightly kisses her on her cheek.

LINDSAY
He must be so heart broken.

ZACK
I just wish there was more we could do for him.

LINDSAY
Yeah me too.

DUDLEY
(In a cracking voice)
Ok! I'm ready to go.

ZACK
(Being startled by the sound of Dudley's voice, falls backwards onto the ground)
Geez... Dudley, you scared me!

DUDLEY
I'm sorry! I am ready to go now. I got what I wanted.

LINDSAY
And what was that?

DUDLEY
I got the chance to say goodbye to my family. I got the chance to kiss my mom on her cheek. I actually got the chance to see them once again plus to know they have never forgotten me.

ZACK
(Crawling away from the bush)
We better get out of here before someone sees us. Let's go.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

EXT. SIDEWALK. ZACK'S HOUSE. MIDMORNING.
As Zack, Lindsay, and Ryan reach Zack's house, they spot Carter Jr. walking down the side walk.

ZACK
Let's go in before Carter sees us.

RYAN
Yeah! We don't want any trouble stirred up.

ZACK
C'mon!

DUDLEY
(Whispers)
Hmmmm? Carter!

A light mist seeps from the notebook as Dudley quietly slips from the notebook and follows Carter down the sidewalk.

INT. THE LAWSON'S HOUSE. MIDDAY

Carter sees his father along with all of his school friends' fathers sitting around the table playing cards in the diningroom.

CARTER JR.
(As he steps into the room)
Where's mom?

AUTHOR(43)
All of our wives went out clothes shopping together...(Laughing)
We finally got rid of the women for a few hours.

TONY(43)
(Looking around the table, chuckling)
Yeah! We will be lucky if we see them within the next month!

Carter Jr walks into the kitchen, Dudley floats around the table, looking at each of the guys in shock of how old they now look compared to 30 years back.

AUTHOR
(Dealing the cards)
Anti-up!
DONEVON (43)
Man, I feel a cold breeze.

TONY
(Laughing)
It's your wife... She's burning your credit card.

Carter, Jr. takes a soda from the refrigerator and goes past the diningroom and up stairs to his bedroom, closing the door behind him.

DUDLEY
(Whispers)
Now it's time to have some fun!

Dudley floats around the table in a fast motion, causing the cards to blow around the table.

CARTER SR. (43)
(Grabbing cards from the table)
Carter, close that back door son, it's causing a draft in here!

DUDLEY
(Whispering as he floats behind Carter Sr.)
It's Dudley. Dudley.

Carter Sr. lays his cards down on the table and begins to look around the room in wonder.

AUTHOR
What's wrong C?.... Carter, what's wrong?

CARTER SR.
Did you guys hear that?

AUTHOR
Carter, did you pass wind again?

CARTER SR.
No Art! Someone said that name.

TONY
What name C?
CARTER SR.
His name.

TONY
I didn't hear anything.

DONEVON
Me either.

AUTHOR
C? Are you feeling ok?

DUDLEY
(Whispering as he floats behind Carter Sr.)
It's Dudley. It's Dudley.

CARTER SR.
(Looking under the table)
There it goes again!

AUTHOR
Goes what Carter?

CARTER SR.
I'm hearing someone say the Moorehouse name.

DONEVON
Couldn't be Carter, he's gone!

CARTER SR.
I know that Donevon but I.... Never mind.

AUTHOR
Come on C, it's your turn to deal the cards.

CARTER
Well ok.

Author, Tony, Carter Sr. and Donevon look up from the card game to see the chandelier spinning in circles and the lights flickering.

TONY
Ummm C? What is going on?
CARTER SR.
I don't know. Carter, Didn't I say close the backdoor? There's a draft in here blowing everything off the table!

DUDLEY
(From the kitchen in the voice of Carter Jr.)
Dad! Dad! Come in here! I got something to show you!

CARTER SR.
Carter, I'm in the middle of a game. What do you want?

DUDLEY
Dad! Come here quick!

INT. LAWSON - KITCHEN. AFTERNOON.

CARTER SR.
(Opening the kitchen door)
What son? What?

As Carter Sr. walks around the center island near the kitchen sink, he feels a cold chill in the air.

CARTER SR.
Son, I thought I asked you to close that backdoor. Where are you?

DUDLEY
(From the pantry)
In here!

As Carter Sr. walks slowly towards the pantry, Dudley picks up a bag of flour and waits for Carter Sr. to open the door.

CARTER SR.
(Grabbing the door knob of the pantry)
Carter, I don't have time for this! What the hell do you want?

As Carter Sr opens the door and looks inside, Dudley throws the flour in the air.

DUDLEY
Remember me Carter? Remember what you and your jock friends did to me? Do you!? Do you!?
CARTER SR.
(As his knees begin to buckle and he lands on the floor)
Dudley? How? What? I don't believe my eyes! Is that really you Dudley? It can't be! You're umm! Uh! Oh my God! Dudley! I'm sorry!

DUDLEY
(In an angry voice)
You're sorry? You left me to die Carter and you're sorry? You didn't come back to get me! You left me in there! I kicked! I screamed! I cried! You laughed! You picked on me! You..... You killed me Carter and now it's my turn to get you back!

CARTER SR.
(on his knees)
Please don't kill me Dudley? Please?

DUDLEY
(In an angry voice)
Please don't kill me Dudley! Please! Who's crying now Carter? How does it feel Carter Lawson? How do you think I felt when I was in that closet?

INT. BOILER ROOM. 1980.

Dudley(14)
Please don't do this to me Carter? Please don't! I can't stand small spaces! Carter I can't breathe!

INT. LAWSON - KITCHEN. PRESENT DAY.

DUDLEY
You did it anyway Lawson! You didn't listen to my cries of pain! You didn't care how I was feeling! Now you're going to pay!

CARTER SR.
(Crying)
Dudley?

DUDLEY
Shut up!

CARTER SR.
But...
DUDLEY
But nothing Lawson! You killed me and now it's your turn to face your fears!

As the others continue to talk around the dining room table, they begin to hear Carter Sr.

CARTER SR.
(Yelling out)
No! No!

INT. LAWSON HOUSE - CARTER JR., BEDROOM.

Carter Jr. lays on his bed listening to music through his headphones with the bedroom door closed.

INT. LAWSON - KITCHEN. AFTERNOON.

Tony, Author and Donevon enter the kitchen.

DONEVON
Hey C? What's wrong? C, Where are you?

CARTER SR.
(Mumbles from behind the semi closed pantry door)
I'm in here.

AUTHOR
(Pointing to the pantry)
It sounds like it's coming from there.

DONEVON
(Opening the pantry door)
C are you in here?

As Tony walks past Donevon, he walks into the pantry and sees Carter tied up and gagged in the back corner of the room.

DONEVON
(Walking towards Carter behind Tony)
What happened? Who did this to you?

Suddenly Author is pushed into the room and the door slams shut behind them and locks.
INT. LAWSON HOUSE - PANTRY. PRESENT DAY

AUTHOR
What the hell? Oh God! Are we being robbed?

Carter Sr. mumbling from under the gag.

TONY
(Knocking on the door)
Ok! This isn't funny CJ! Let us out! CJ? I know you're out there! Let us out of here!

DUDLEY
(Laughing)
Aww! Are we scared?

Carter Sr. begins to mumble louder and louder.

TONY
Donevon, take that gag off of him.

CARTER SR.
(Stuttering)
It's not Carter! It's Dudley Moorehouse.

AUTHOR
C, Stop that, Dudley is dead! Or did you block that out of your memory?

DUDLEY
(Sticking his head through the closed door, with flour on his face)
Here's Johnny!

TONY
(Jumping back against the back wall)
Oh no it can't be?

DUDLEY
It is! I'm back and it's time for you to pay for what you did to me!

CARTER SR.
Dudley we didn't mean for it to get out of hand. We didn't....
DUDLEY
Shut up! You meant to do it. You ruined my life and now it's time for me to ruin yours.

AUTHOR
But Dudley?

DUDLEY
(Leaning in the door over them)
I said shut up!

TONY
(Standing up)
Dudley we are sorry. We are really sorry.

DUDLEY
(leaning closer to Tony)
Sit down!

EXT. LAWSON HOUSE. SUNDOWN.

Lights flicker in the windows throughout the house.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. ZACK'S BEDROOM. EARLY SUNDAY MORNING.

Ryan begins to hear moaning coming from the notebook laying on the desk and looks up from the floor and shakes Zack as he laid in the bed sleeping.

RYAN
Zack! Zack! Wake up! What's that noise?

ZACK
(Sitting up in the bed)
What noise?

As Zack sits up in the bed, the sound of moaning gets louder and louder in the room.

RYAN
That noise!
Zack jumps off the bed and goes over to the desk where the notebook laid.

ZACK
(opening the notebook)
Dudley, are you OK?

DUDLEY
(Whispering)
Zack, something is wrong. I'm getting tired and weak. What's happening to me?

ZACK
I don't know Dudley. Ryan! Ryan! get up! Something's wrong with Dudley!

RYAN
What?

DUDLEY
Zack, I think it's time.

RYAN
(Standing beside Zack at the desk)
Time for what Dudley?

DUDLEY
Time for me to go to where I belong. Help me please, it hurts.

ZACK
(Picking up the notebook)
Oh Dudley! What can I do?

RYAN
Zack, Ms. Bloodworth! Let's go talk to Lindsay and see if her mother can help.

EXT. LINDSAY'S BEDROOM WINDOW. MORNING.

Lindsay sits at her bedroom window while Zack and Ryan stand outside looking in.
ZACK
(Showing Lindsay the notebook)
Lindsay, we need your mom's help. Dudley is getting weaker by the minute and we have to help him.

LINDSAY
Zack, My mom would freak out if she was to find out about Dudley.

RYAN
We have no choice Lindsay! We have to help him.

LINDSAY
Meet me in the garage behind the house in five minutes.

ZACK
What are you going to do?

LINDSAY
Just meet me there in five minutes.

INT. SEMI-DARK OLD WOODEN GARAGE. MORNING.

Zack and Ryan sit on an old couch as they watch Lindsay walk in the door with a large brown book in her arms.

RYAN
(Grabbing the book)
Wow! What is this?

LINDSAY
Don't touch it! This book is very powerful and could seriously hurt someone if they're not careful.

ZACK
But Lindsay? What would your mother say if she caught you with this?

LINDSAY
Nothing really. We do this stuff together all the time.
(Opening the book on the table)
Now where did I see that spell?

RYAN
Lindsay? Are you sure you know what your doing?
LINDSAY
I know exactly what I am doing. Mom taught me everything she knows.

RYAN
Umm, Have you ever done any spells on us? I mean...

LINDSAY
No! I would never Ryan, unless you make me mad. I'm kidding, my mom wouldn't allow us to harm anyone with this stuff, it comes back times 10.

BELLA BLOODWORTH (43)
(Opening the garage door and walking in)
Lindsay, did I see you come in here?

LINDSAY
Uhh, Hi mom. You remember Zack and Ryan don't you?

BELLA
Yes dear of course. Hi boys.

ZACK AND RYAN
Hi Ms. Bloodworth

BELLA
Lindsay, what are you doing with that?

LINDSAY
Ummm, I was scared to tell you. I didn't know what you would say or how you would react so I was going to fix this myself with their help. Right guys?

ZACK AND RYAN
Uhh Ummm..

RYAN
I tried to tell her to tell you Ms. Bloodworth.

BELLA
Fix what Lindsay? You know what I have told you about hexing others.

LINDSAY
Shut up Ryan!
Mom? Do you promise not to freak out? Do you?
BELLA
It depends on what you're talking about Lindsay. You better not be playing some evil game with this stuff. I have told you, it's very very dangerous and someone could get seriously hurt.

LINDSAY
(Picking the notebook off the table)
Mom, we are not trying to hurt anyone and we are not playing any games. Please just listen to me for a second, Please?

BELLA
Ok, I'm listening.

LINDSAY
We met someone from the past and we have to help him ummm, move on.

BELLA
What do you mean help him move on? Lindsay, do you have any idea what you sound like? Who is this person? Do you have a picture of this person from the past?

LINDSAY
No mom, he's in here. It's ok Dudley, you can come out.

BELLA
(Watching as a ploom of smoke rises out of the book and forms into a face and body)
Dudley? Who is Dud...? Lindsay? What is going on here? Did you bring a demon into my house? Lindsay, have you been playing with that witch board again? After I told you to leave it a...lone..
No. It can't be. Moorehouse?

DUDLEY
Bell? Is that you? After all these years, you haven't changed a bit.

BELLA
(Sitting down on the couch)
I need to sit down. Oh my, I'm getting light headed.

LINDSAY
Mom I told you not to freak out.
BELLA
(Beginning to cry and grabbing Lindsay by the arm)
Lindsay? Do you know who he is?

LINDSAY
Yeah mom, his name is Dudley Moorehouse. He was killed back in 1980 by a bunch of bullies at Gradlin and now we have to help him go on to his better place.

BELLA
(Whispering)
Lindsay? I was in love with him back in school. I wanted him to be your father.

DUDLEY
Me?

BELLA
I'm sorry to bring this up.

LINDSAY
Ignore her Dudley, she's been tipping the bottle today.

BELLA
Dudley Moorehouse. I can't believe that's really you in the....

DUDLEY
Don't remind me Bell.

BELLA
(Crying)
I'm so sorry Dudley. I didn't know until the next day what had happened. We cried for months over you.

DUDLEY
We?

BELLA
Yes! Me, Nora

RYAN
Mom! You knew my mom Dudley?

BELLA
And Carol.
ZACK
My mother too?

BELLA
Yes boys, we all had the biggest crush on Dudley Moorehouse.

LINDSAY
Ok mom! Enough with the gushy stuff. We have to help him before it's too late.

BELLA
(Breaking her concentration from looking at Dudley)
Oh yes right! Lindsay, take this to the attic and let's get Dudley on his way.

LINDSAY
(Picking up the spell book)
Ok! Come on guys let's go up stairs.

INT. LINDSAY'S HOUSE - ATTIC. MID-MORNING

Large round table outlined with candles and an opened large book in the center.

BELLA
(While reading a page in the book)
It says here that this ceremony has to take place under the light of the full moon at his grave site.

LINDSAY
Mom, isn't tonight a full moon?

BELLA
Yes I believe it is. This also has to be on or very close to the anniversary of his death.

ZACK
Dudley?

DUDLEY
Don't ask, I wasn't holding a calendar in there.
LINDSAY
We still have plenty of daylight to go and find his grave and see the day it, well, you know.

DUDLEY
The day I died people. It's ok. I am learning to deal with the fact. I just wish I didn't have to leave...so...soon.

LINDSAY
Oh Dudley! It's going to be ok. We will be with you all the way.

DUDLEY
Thanks Lindsay.

BELLA
Ok, here it is. Here is the spell we have to say in order to send him on his way. You kids go to the cemetery and find his grave and report back to me the date of his death. We need to do this as soon as possible.

LINDSAY
Come on guys we have a mission to complete. Dudley, you stay here with mom and catch up on the good old days. And umm mom, no gushy stuff please? We need him bright and happy for his send off.

ENT. GRADLIN CEMETERY. MID-DAY.

Lindsay, Zack and Ryan walk by headstones reading names as they pass.

ZACK
(Mumbling)
Moorehouse, Moorehouse, Moorehouse.

RYAN

LINDSAY
(Kneeling down near the headstone)
Oh this is so sad.
ZACK
(Placing one hand on Lindsay's shoulder)
I know. He was so young. So full of life and those jerks had to take all that away from him.

RYAN
(Looking up to see Manuel walking towards them)
Uh-oh!

ZACK
(Looking up at Ryan)
What's wrong Ryan? Uh-Oh!

LINDSAY
Don't tell him anything. Maybe he's just walking through.

MANUEL
Hey kids, what you do here?

ZACK
Uh-um, We're just paying respects to a loved one Manny. What brings you here?

MANUEL
I live across the street. I see you come here.

ZACK
We were just getting ready to leave Manny. Right guys?

LINDSAY AND RYAN
Right!

As Manuel watches the kids walk away, he looks down at the name on the headstone.

MANUEL
Oh no. How could they know about Moorehouse? (Shaking his head in disbelief) No! It couldn't have been.

Manuel looks up to watch Zack, Lindsay and Ryan walk away.

MANUEL
Hey guys?
ZACK
(Slowing turning around)
Uhh Ohh!

LINDSAY
(Whispering)
Just act casual. He might not suspect a thing.

ZACK
Yes Manny? What's up?

MANUEL
I was just wondering?

LINDSAY
(Looking at Ryan and Zack)
Wondering what Manny?

MANUEL
Wondering what you kids are doing here at Moorehouse grave?

LINDSAY
Oh umm, We were just walking through here and saw it. Right guys?

RYAN AND ZACK
Right!

RYAN
We were just walking by. We don't know anything about Dudley!

LINDSAY
Ryan!

MANUEL
Ok kids, let's talk. Come on with it. What going on here? You three have been very secretive lately. What you know about Dudley Moorehouse?

LINDSAY
Ok Manny, but you have to promise not to tell anyone about this or our plan is ruined.

MANUEL
About what? What plan?
LINDSAY
First, we want to know what you know about Dudley Moorehouse?

MANUEL
I uhh I uhhh. I went to school with him.

RYAN
So you knew him?

MANUEL
Knew him little. He wasn't very out going back then. He was always to himself.

LINDSAY
Tell us more.

MANUEL
(As he sits on a cement bench)
I had just come to America. I barely spoke English. He help me few times learn English language. Never really got close.

ZACK
What do you know about the day he umm well you know?

MANUEL
Oh boy. Very bad day. Very bad people.

LINDSAY
Go on.

As Manuel continues to tell the story, it takes him back to the day Dudley died.

INT. SCHOOL LUNCHROOM. NOON. OCTOBER 11, 1980.

MANUEL (V.O.)
I was sitting at the table behind Carter, Tony, Author and Donevon. I could hear them talking about Dudley and plans to teach him a lesson. They didn't know I was there, but I could hear their every word.

CARTER(17)
(Watching Dudley walk through the lunchroom and sit down on the other side of the room)
We have to teach him a lesson, once and for all.

AUTHOR(17)
I don't want to hurt him.

CARTER
No Artie, we're not going to hurt him, just teach him a lesson on not to be such a nerd.

DONEVON(17)
What do you have in mind?

CARTER
After school, meet me near the boiler room.

MANUEL (V.O.)
I knew something bad was going to happen so I just hung onto their every word, even though I barely knew English at the time. I knew they were up to no good.

EXT. GRADLIN CEMETERY. MID-DAY. PRESENT DAY.

MANUEL
So after lunch time, I went and told the principal.

ZACK
But Manny, if you told on them, why didn't they go and save Dudley before he died?

MANUEL
With my lack of English, I couldn't speak well and therefore they didn't believe me until it was too late.

LINDSAY
Well, did they know it was the Jock Strap brothers that did it?

MANUEL
All I know is, Larson's grandfather was the Mayor of the town at the time and he kept it under wraps so it wouldn't ruin his reputation.

RYAN
Oh man! Dudley died without justice done.
MANUEL
Why the sudden interest in Moorhouse anyway guys? What is going on?

LINDSAY
Well Manny, here's why.

FADE OUT--As Lindsay and the others begin to tell Manuel about Dudley.

FADE IN

EXT. RYAN'S HOUSE. MID-DAY
Manuel knocking on the front door of Ryan's house.

NORA TYLER(43)
(Opening the front door)
Manny? What a surprise. What are you doing here?

MANUEL
Hello Nora, you have minute to talk?

NORA
Sure, come on in. What's wrong?

MANUEL
(Closing the door behind him)
I see the kids at the cemetery while ago looking at Dudley Moorehouse grave.

NORA
What would they be doing at his grave? They don't know anything about Moorehouse. Do they?

MANUEL
Please sit down Nora, I have something to tell you.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

MONTAGE

UPLOAD MUSIC - ALAN PARSONS PROJECT - DON'T ANSWER ME
INT. LINDSAY'S HOUSE. LIVINGROOM. MID-DAY.

LINDSAY
(Walking in the front door, with Zack and Ryan behind her)
Mom! Mom!

BELLA
(Walking out of the kitchen)
What Lindsay?

LINDSAY
Tonight is the perfect night. Dudley died October eleventh 1980. It's October second. We can free him tonight under the light of the full moon. Did you get the spell done?

BELLA
Yes I did. I have everything ready.

ZACK
Speaking of, where is Dudley, Ms. Bloodworth?

DUDLEY
(In a sad voice)
I'm right here on the couch.

BELLA
Oh Dudley, are you ok?

DUDLEY
Is it over so soon? Must I go tonight?

BELLA
Dudley, you're getting weaker by the minute. Aren't you ready to go and get your wings?
LINDSAY
Yeah Dudley, They are waiting for you up there.

DUDLEY
Will all of you be there with me? You know, to see me go?

ZACK
Yes Dudley. We will all be there cheering you on to get your wings.

DUDLEY
I really don't want to be alone.

ZACK
Dudley, you will never be alone again. I, we, promise.

DUDLEY
Bell?

BELLA
I will be there holding your hand Dudley.

DUDLEY
Ok! Let's do this.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

EXT. GRADLIN CEMETERY. DUDLEY'S GRAVESITE. NIGHTTIME. FULL MOON

Lindsay, Zack, Ryan and Bella, gather in a circle holding candles around the grave as Dudley floats above his headstone.

BELLA
Ok. Place your candle in front of you on the ground, join hands and repeat after me.

Zack notices lights flickering in the woods around them off in a distance.

ZACK
Oh no, Someone's coming.

Lindsay, Bella, Ryan and Zack look around to see groups of people, each holding candles gathering around them.
MANUEL
(Stepping closer to the grave)
Hi Dudley, Remember me?

DUDLEY
Yes Manny, I remember you very well.

MANUEL
We all thought you might need some company.

BELLA
Thank you Manny.

MANUEL
Yes mam. Anything for Dudley.

ZACK
Well Dudley, they all are here for you. Are you ready to do this?

DUDLEY
Yes.

Dudley looks up over his friends' heads and sees his sister Cara and his nephew Dudley standing amongst the crowd holding candles.

He continues to watch as they slowly walk towards him. Bella and Lindsay break the circle of hands allowing Cara and nephew Dudley walk closer to the grave.

DUDLEY
(Crying)
Cara!

CARA
(Crying)
Shhh, it's ok Dudley. I understand. I knew it was you at the house. I felt you there too.

DUDLEY
But why didn't you say anything?
CARA
It would have killed mom Dudley. We think about you all the time. Speaking of...Dudley, this is my son and your nephew...

DUDLEY
I know. Hi Dudley.

NEPHEW DUDLEY
Hi uncle Dudley.

BELLA
Dudley, it's time!

DUDLEY
(Looking down at Zack, Ryan, and Lindsay)
I love you guys. And Cara, Dudley, please take care of mom and dad for me. Tell them I love them and miss them so much.

CARA
(Weeping)
We will Dudley. You take care of yourself as well.

DUDLEY
I wish I would have gotten to know you Dudley. Take care of your mom for me ok?

NEPHEW DUDLEY
I will Uncle Dudley. I will.

DUDLEY
(Choking up the words)
I want to tell you guys thank you so much for everything.

ZACK
Dudley. You don't have to thank us buddy, we are your friends and we did it because we all love you.

DUDLEY
Zack, Ryan, Lindsay, you three are the best of friends a guy, uhhumm a ghost could have.

LINDSAY
Take care of yourself Dudley. And always remember, you have friends who love you here.
BELLA
(With tears in her eyes and smiling)
Uh-huh.

LINDSAY
Mom!

RYAN
Goodbye Dudman!

DUDLEY
Not Goodbye. See you again soon. Never goodbye.

CARA
Dudley, it's time for you to go.

DUDLEY
Ok. Bell, I'm ready.

BELLA
Ok, Everyone join hands and repeat after me.

Cara, Nephew Dudley, Zack, Ryan, Lindsay and Bella join hands around Dudley and his grave, each with a candle placed at their feet in the circle.

BELLA
Take this gent through space and time, help him go to where the clouds align.

LINDSAY, ZACK, RYAN
Take this gent through space and time, help him go to where the clouds align.

BELLA, LINDSAY, ZACK, RYAN
Take him beyond to another plain, to the heavens, where he will gain...His wings.

Bella, Zack, Ryan and Lindsay, look up at Dudley to see a bright white light beaming upon him from the dark star filled sky.

LINDSAY
(Crying)
Go get your wings Dudley.
ZACK
(With tears in his eyes)
See you soon Dudley.

RYAN
(With tears in his eyes)
Yeah Dudley, see you soon.

Everyone watches with tear filled eyes as Dudley disappears into the beam of light.

BELLA
Goodbye Dudley.

LINDSAY
(Hugging Bella crying)
Thanks mom.

BELLA
Oh honey, He's in a good place now. You guys have to understand, Dudley didn't belong here anymore. He came here to settle his undone business and he had to go where he was needed.

As everyone begins to turn to walk away, they hear a loud laughter coming from the light above the headstone.

DUDLEY
(Floating above his grave in the light)
Look what I got! This kinda suits me, don't you think?

BELLA
Yes Dudley! They look beautiful on you honey!

CARA
Mom will be proud Dudley.

DUDLEY
(Disappearing into the light)
See you all soon. Love you...

LINDSAY, ZACK, RYAN
Rest in peace Dudley.
Zack turns around and sees his mom, dad, and Hailey standing behind him. Zack runs to his mother and raps his arms around her waste.

ZACK
(Crying)
Mom! Dad!

HAILEY
I told you Dudley was real.

ZACK
(Crying with laughter)
Shut up Goblet!

CAROL
(With tears in her eyes)
I know honey. But he's better off now. Dudley isn't hurting anymore.

MR. ZEBLER
(Placing his hand on Zack's back)
Come on son, let's go home.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

INT. ZACK’S BEDROOM. EARLY MORNING.

Zack hears the sound of a dog barking and jumps off his bed and runs to the notebook on the desk.

ZACK
(Opening the notebook)
Dudley! Dudley! Is that you?

Hearing the barking again, Zack realizes the sounds were coming from outside his bedroom window from a dog on the sidewalk in front of his house.

ZACK
(Closing the notebook and crying)
Goodbye Dudley.
Zack holds the closed notebook against his chest while he continues to hold his head down to cry.

UPLOAD MUSIC- DURAN DURAN- ORDINARY WORLD

MONTAGE - FLASHBACK

1.) ZACK SITTING AT HIS DESK STARING AT THE BULLDOG HE HAD DRAWN MOVING.

2.) DUDLEY PICKING AT ZACK'S EAR WHILE HE SITS AT THE COMPUTER IN HIS BEDROOM.

3.) DUDLEY AND ZACK THROWING BLANKETS AND PILLOWS AT EACHOTHER PLAYING IN ZACK'S BEDROOM.

4.) ZACK STANDS AGAINST THE BATHROOM WALL WATCHING DUDLEY COMING OUT OF THE NOTEBOOK.

5.) DUDLEY, COVERED IN BABY POWDER STANDS INFRONT OF THE FLOOR LENGTH MIRROR IN ZACK'S ROOM WITH ZACK, RYAN AND LINDSAY STANDING BEHIND HIM.

6.) DUDLEY HOLDING ZACK OVER CARTER IN THE SCHOOL HALLWAY.

END OF MONTAGE-FADE OUT

FADE IN

EXT. GRADLIN HIGH SCHOOL SIGN. EARLY MORNING. SCHOOL BELL RINGS.

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY. EARLY MORNING

Zack walks to his locker, Lindsay and Ryan are at their lockers with the doors open.

LINDSAY
Hey Zack, How are you doing?

ZACK
(Pulling the notebook out of his locker and holds it against his chest)
I miss him already Lindsay. I hope he is ok.
RYAN
He's ok Zack. You helped him complete his journey, his last request. He's happy now and got what he should have gotten 30 years ago, justice and his wings.

ZACK
I know but...I miss him.

LINDSAY
I miss him too.

ZACK
I just woke up this morning expecting him to be there and he wasn't.

RYAN
(Patting Zack on his shoulder)
He was a great guy. But cheer up Zack, the Dudman is at peace now and he has you to thank for that.

ZACK
Thanks Ry.

LINDSAY
let's get to class before we get in trouble.

As Zack, Ryan and Lindsay walk away from their lockers, they see the jock strap brothers walking down the hall towards them.

ZACK
Oh-no not again!

Zack, Ryan and Lindsay look on in shock as the jock strap brothers walk by them without even looking up.

ZACK
Wow!

RYAN
Yeah wow! Evidently Dudley really taught them a lesson.

LINDSAY
(Laughing)
C'mon, we're going to be late.
Lindsay, Zack and Ryan stand at their lockers.

LINDSAY
Well, it's Friday and we have managed to make it through an entire week without any problems. What about you Zack?

ZACK
I have to agree, I have had a great week thanks to Dudley.

RYAN
I know Z. He made a big change for us and he is happy where he is now.

ZACK
I know. Well, we need to get going. I have seen enough of this place for one week, I am ready to go home and kick my feet up for the weekend.

LINDSAY
(Closing her locker and walking towards the exit door of the school)
Sounds like a winner to me. Let's get out of here.

As Lindsay, Zack and Ryan walk down the walkway leaving the school building, they hear a young girl talking loudly.

ZACK
(Looking over to see Hailey sitting on a bench talking out loud to no one)
Hey guys? Look over there.

LINDSAY
Isn't that Hailey?

RYAN
Yeah that's her, but who is she talking too?
ZACK
It can't be!

LINDSAY, ZACK, AND RYAN
(Looking into the camera with a look of shock on their faces)
Dudley!

INT. HOSPITAL ROOM. DAY.

Security guards stand outside the door while Carter Sr., laid strapped on a gurney along with Donovan, Author and Tony who lay strapped to gurneys on the opposite sides of the room.

CARTER
(As he sees a nurse walk in)
Dudley Moorehouse is still alive I tell ya! He's still around us! Please listen to me! Please!

NURSE
(Standing beside his bed)
Ok sir, Please relax or I am going to have to give you something to make you relax.

CARTER
(Looking up at the nurse while she thumps a needle syringe)
Please don't! I'm not crazy. Please listen to me. I am trying to tell you that Dudley is still here. He's not dead.

NURSE
(As she thumps a needle syringe)
Sure sir and I'm the ghost of Christmas past. Now lay still or this is going to hurt you more than it hurts me!

As the nurse squeezes the syringe into Carter Sr's arm, she looks up at the camera smiles. She looks like Dudley.

FADE OUT

BLACK SCREEN. DUDLEY'S FACE PEERS THROUGH AND WINKS.
FADE IN

UPLOAD MUSIC – DURAN DURAN – HUNGRY LIKE THE WOLF.

Zack, Ryan, Lindsay and Dudley walk down the street and begin to dance.

(ENDING CREDITS)