

THE
ARCTIC TUNDRA
TROUBLES

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FADE IN:

EXT. ARCTIC TUNDRA - DAY

A strong blizzard rages on. Almost complete white, except a faint yellow light in the distance.

A figure clothed head to toe in thick winter garments fights the wind trying to get to the cave with the flickering yellow light.

INT. CAVE

The figure stumbles into the entrance of the cave and collapses to his knees. He pulls back his hood, takes off his goggles and removes his face mask to reveal LUEY.

LUEY
Do not, go out there!

BILLY and WALLY are sitting in front of a crackling fire, their cheeks are red and they're indifferent to Luey's appearance.

Luey walks over and stands, looking down at the two.

LUEY
Where did you find the wood?

WALLY
Do you see us sitting on chairs?

BILLY
Do you see me playing the drums?

Anger strikes Luey.

LUEY
You burnt my antique chairs!

WALLY
Only the ones you gave us.

LUEY
So where's mine?

WALLY
Billy needed it to play the drums, oh.

LUEY
Well that's just totally awesome, now we have no suitable seats! No music for ambiance and I could not even find one penguin for dinner!

Billy and Wally now stand.

BILLY

What? No food again? You better hope my penguin trap works or where gonna have to go to plan B.

LUEY

What trap? All you've done is made some shonky penguin foot prints leading to the fire!

The penguins aren't as retarded as you Billy!

Billy moves towards Luey with a shaking fist raised. Wally intervenes, stepping between them.

WALLY

Come on guys, can't we all just sit down and think up a new strategy.

LUEY

Okay how about this; Lets make seal foot prints leading towards the fire! You like that one Billy!

Billy advances towards Luey but Wally holds him back.

BILLY

Seals don't have feet, ha ha!

Luey shakes his head and turns his back.

Billy suddenly smiles and points to Luey.

BILLY

How about when you're asleep I make polar bear footprints leading towards you! Yeah, you won't be mocking me then!

WALLY

Billy didn't mean that. Guys, guys. Lets all just calm down. I made some Ice Cones.

Wally presents two Ice Cones. Luey looks at Wally, then at Billy, snatches one of the ice cones and storms off to the corner of the cave.

WALLY

What was I just saying yesterday? Cones solve all troubles.

Billy takes the other cone.

BILLY

Yeah, well he better enjoy that cone good, or I'll.. No, he'll be.. yeah, you know.

LUEY

Hey Billy!

Billy looks up towards Luey.

LUEY

I hope you like yours lemon flavoured!

Luey's hurls his Ice Cone, now looking slightly yellow, at Billy, hitting him directly in the face.

Billy wipes away the ice from his face, to reveal an extremely angry expression.

Luey looks smug, standing in the corner with his hands behind his back.

Billy lets out a THUNDEROUS ROAR and charges at Luey. Wally's too slow to stop him.

Just as Billy gets close to Luey, he puts one of his hands by his side, which is holding a big rock. He swings the rock around and it strikes Billy right in the temple.

Billy collapses instantly.

Luey drops the bloodied rock.

WALLY

Luey, what.. Why did you do that?

Luey walks over to the entrance of the cave with his goggles and face mask in hand.

LUEY

Shut up, look after your stupid friend.
I'm going to look for food. If he wakes up before I get back, tell him he can get his own.

Wally looks stunned and is motionless as Luey puts on goggles and mask. He turns to leave-

WALLY

What if he doesn't wake up?

Luey stops, turns, pulls down his mask so he can speak-

LUEY

Guess then it won't matter if I find any food or not, will it?

Luey exits the cave.

LATER

Billy wakes up in front of the fire. He immediately puts his hand to his bruised and bloodied temple.

BILLY
What the fuck..

Wally crouches down beside him and hands him a cup of water.

WALLY
Luey had a rock in his hand. I think
he's gone a bit cuckoo.

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Luey trudges through the snow, miss-steps a few times a falls over.

He looks back to see the light from the cave far in the distance, then continues on walking.

INT. CAVE

Wally munches away on an Ice Cone.

Billy stares into the fire, stroking his chin.

BILLY
We're both decided?

WALLY
I'm not one hundred percent on the
details.

Billy stands and begins to pace up and down.

BILLY
Right, the plan is; we both stand at
the cave entrance, you start peeing on
him-

Wally acts it out with his pants on.

BILLY
I throw the stick of fire on Luey
and-

WALLY
And then he goes-

Wally starts running around the cave as if he's on fire, screaming and carrying on. He runs right into the fire and his shoes catch a light. He's oblivious to his fiery shoes and continues to run around engulfed in mock fire.

BILLY

Wally, your shoes!

Wally stops and looks down to his feet, then continues to run, though this time in actual fear. He starts rolling around on the ground.

Billy runs up to Wally and scoops snow onto to his feet till the fires gone.

WALLY

Wow!

BILLY

Yeah, wow, you nearly lost your feet.

They both laugh. Wally stops first and frowns.

BILLY

What's wrong? Are your feet sore?

WALLY

No, don't you realise what we're gonna do. I mean, that was just my feet just then, but-

BILLY

Your not backing out, not now when we're so close!

WALLY

I'm sorry Billy, but I can't-

BILLY

Don't you say it!

Wally stands, pats the snow from his clothes and walks away from Billy.

WALLY

I won't pee on Luey.

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Luey peeks over the edge of a ledge. He sees a few penguins standing around. Sitting back on the snow he does a quiet victory dance.

Luey's smiling as he leaps towards the penguins with a knife in hand.

INT. CAVE

Wally sits staring at the fire as Billy paces.

BILLY

How bout we just kick him?

WALLY

No.

Punch? BILLY

No. WALLY

Pinch? BILLY

No man. WALLY

Can we call him a prick? BILLY

Okay, but lets ease him into it. WALLY

Agreed, okay we'll practice and then
get some more drums for this dying
fire. BILLY

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Luey walks through the snow with a few dead penguins slung over his back. He stops and looks into the distance, there's nothing but snow.

He pulls down his face mask.

Where the hell is the light? LUEY

He continues on trudging through the snow.

INT. CAVE

Billy stands at the entrance of the cave. Wally casually walks through it.

Prick! BILLY

Wally stops and turns to Billy.

That's not easing him into it at all. WALLY

I'm just gonna piss on him. BILLY

WALLY

Aye, what did we agree? Come on lets go again.

Billy exits the cave and seconds later casually walks back in.

BILLY
You're a prick!

Wally stops and turns to Billy.

WALLY
Better.

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Luey falls to his knees, he drops the penguins. He takes off his face mask and goggles.

LUEY
That's it! No fuck'n way I'm getting out of this place. Go free penguins!

He picks up the penguins and throws them a metre or so in front of him.

LUEY
Fly, fly away!

He sighs and slumps his head.

LUEY
I'm sorry Wally and Billy. I hope those penguins find you!

Luey falls forward into the snow, defeated.

Inches away from his face was a particularly strange looking penguin footprint. It had a few more toes than normal and so deeply engraved in the snow that it suggested the penguin was overweight.

He looks up and sees more heading towards a faint flickering light.

INT. CAVE

The fire engulfs the tom-toms. Wally and Billy stand around it.

WALLY
Done and done! The fire going and again and what are you going to say?

Billy closes his eyes and exhales.

BILLY
Luey, I hate to be the one to inform you that you're kind of a prick. You prick!

Billy and Wally high five.

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Luey, with the dead penguins slung around his shoulder, once more trudges through the snow, though this time at a quicker pace.

LUEY

Nearly there! Billy, you're a genius!

He follows the penguin's footprints to the cave's entrance.

INT. CAVE

Luey stumbles into the caves entrance.

Billy's waiting for him; he taps him on the shoulder.

BILLY

Hey Billy! I just want to say-

Luey instantly hugs him.

LUEY

I love you man! I'm so sorry. Love!
Tracks! Those tracks saved my life.
Oh my god, love man!

BILLY

But you're a prick?

Luey releases the hug and firmly grabs Billy by the shoulders.

LUEY

Such a prick man, but look!

He throws the penguins on the floor.

LUEY

I got food!

He notices Wally, who looks as shocked as Billy, and hugs him too.

LUEY

Wally you cherry blossom you, here
cook up this penguin and we'll all
have a great old time!

Luey butts his arms around Billy and Wally and they walk towards the fire.

FADE OUT

THE END