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"Big Tools"

FADE IN: INT. STORE - DAY MAIN CHARACTER 1 arrives for his first day of work. Gets greeted my by the HR and she hands him a work vest, tool belt and tools. MAIN CHARACTER 1 takes items and heads into the bathroom to try them on. He meets CHRIS inside of the bathroom, who is currently peeing. MAIN CHARACTER 1 What's up man? CHRIS finishes peeing and approaches MAIN CHARACTER 1 CHRIS

What's going on? I'm Chris.

CHRIS reaches out to shake MAIN CHARACTER 1'S hand. MAIN CHARACTER reluctantly reaches out to shake CHRIS'S hand.

MAIN CHARACTER 1 Um, I'm \_\_\_. Is today your first day?

CHRIS Yea. Yours?

MAIN CHARACTER 1 Yeah.

Both guys leave the bathroom and sit at the table amongst 5 other people.

CUT TO: EXT. PARKING LOT - DAY MAIN CHARACTER 2 arrives at the store in a old minivan, gets out of car as he closes the car door the driver side mirror and back license plate falls off. He picks both of the up and throws them into the car closes the door then walks into the store. He has a seat at the orientation table.

HR looks at everyone

HR Time to get your photo taken for your badge ID.

Pans the faces of the workers some with a look of horror, confidence, puzzled, deer in the headlights, sinister, duckface, random Each worker gets their badge

HR Now it is time to watch a training video.

HR pops in orientation vhs into vcr.

FADE IN:

INT. STORE - DAY NARRATOR (V.O.) Welcome to \_\_\_\_, where we provide great guest service. Now you're probably wondering why at \_\_\_\_ we call our shoppers quest and not customers like all of those other places. That is because here at we have created a home environment. Now that you are a part of the team this is your home and the people that come into your home are guests and as host your job is to provide great service. Now I want you to use your imagination and walk with me as I go through some of the rules of Daydream sequence where all of the 7 characters are together NARRATOR Main rule: Guest always come first. Always approach the guest and greet them professionally. WORKER Yo what's up dude? GUEST Huh? WORKER 2 What you want shawty? GUEST (Female) [slaps worker] MAIN CHARCTER 2 Hello sir, do you need help with anything today? GUEST Why yes. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Hi madame what can I help you with? GUEST Mmmhmmm MAIN CHARACTER 1 [MAIN CHARACTER 1 has a scared look upon his face] NARRATOR Next rule for being a successful team member at is to look on point, be on point. You want to always dress professionally while you're at work. That means having clean clothes, nicely shaved, having your shirt tucked in, and manageable hair. Alternate between professionally and not professionally. NARRATOR Always to remember when working, is to work safely.

CUT TO:

MAIN CHARACTER 1 cutting a box with the blade moving towards their body. NARRATOR When working on freight, keep empty boxes and trash free of aisles and in a neat pile. CUT TO: Show people tripping and falling over trash NARRATOR All trash cardboard and trash belongs in a recycle bin which in brought to the receiving department and dumped in the compactor. CUT TO: Show a person being put in a trash can. NARRATOR While we're on the subject of freight, let's talk about how to stock it. All freight should be stocked in its proper location neatly. Any left over stock is called overstock. When stocking you need to face the product on the selves so that looks like a showroom. CUT TO: Show person putting product into their pocket as they are stocking. NARRATOR NO!!! That is not how you face!!! CUT TO: MAIN CHARACTER 2 facing correctly. NARRATOR Yes! Yes! Yes! Now that's how you face. Not like that other idiot. Now on top our last and probably the most important topic, sexual harassment. Pay close attention of what not to do or else you could end up in jail dookey launcher harassed. CUT TO: Show nervous looking male worker faces. NARRATOR No fraternization. Mixing love and work can be a deadly combination like mixing dark liquor and light liquor. CUT TO: Show an example of the result of mixing liquor, possibly a homeless bum. NARRATOR Work relationships never, never, never, never, and I repeat NEVER work out. Oh, at first you think this is amazing I get to see my girlfriend at work. You guys can go on breaks together. (begins to sound bitter) Then one day you two

have a small argument about not trying new food. Like, really?! If I want to eat the same thing everyday for the rest of my now miserable life it is my constitutional right to. Then that leads to SOMEONE getting jealous when a cashier says hello to me. What? Now I can't say hello? Well Heeeelllllloocoo. Moral of the story don't mix work and love because it doesn't work. [pause]

## NARRATOR

The next topic we'll cover sexually harassment. Basically don't do anything that will get you aroused such as slap a girl's butt, squeeze boobs, lick a face, etc... Do not comment on your female coworker with the nice rack even though she likes to wear shirts that show off her cleavage.

Also keep in mind that there is sexual harassment among the same sex too. So guys, no grabbing another guys balls while you're on the clock, off clock though feel free to grab all of the balls you want. Ladies, no scissoring at work.

WORKER ...and no scissoring off work unless I get to watch.

## NARRATOR

Now that you know the rules of \_\_\_\_. It's time to get out there and make some sales!!

CUT TO: HR turns off video

> HR Next I will take you all on a tour of the store and show you what departments you will be working in.

 ${\rm HR}$  and everyone gets up and starts, some of the workers start to look nervous.

HR Follow me... HR So this is front end. Here's where all of the purchases occur. The front end consists of cashiers and carryouts. WORKER A and WORKER B this will be were you're be working.

Worker C notices hot cashiers, pats WORKER B on the back.

WORKER C You lucky bastard. [Towards HR] Is it possible to switch departments?

HR Why would you want to?

WORKER C Clearly all of the hot chicks work in front end. I don't want to be stuck with a bunch of sausages.

HR Either you are going to learn to like sausage and be a part of the fest and make money or you can go home, hold your sausage alone, and be broke. HR stares at WORKER C HR So what's your decision? Going to be able to tolerate being around sausage. WORKER C [Quietly] Yeah. HR What was that? WORKER C [Sounding disappointed] Yes, I'll be a part of sausage fest. HR turns to rest of the workers HR So does anyone else want to change departments? Rest of Workers No [shakes head] HR Ok then, let's proceed. Everyone continues walking. HR So the next department we're at is the electrical department. WORKER C [whispers] Man it smells old over here. Hope I'm not put over here. There is an old man standing on a uneven ladder trying to screw in a light blub that is a little out of his reach. As he is finally able to screw the light bulb in, the blub explodes, shards fall into the man's face and his foot slips and he slides the ladder hitting every step with his face. He lands on the floor and yells OLD MAN My hip! HR Oh don't worry I have the perfect department for you. It's the second best selling department in the store.

WORKER C

Yes ... yes exactly what I want. I already know I'm going to be the best in this store. WORKER D I think she was being sarcastic. HR smiles. HR Now we're off to your department (WORKER C). WORKER C Great. The group walks passed a little kid shaking and dancing uncomfortably begging his mom to go to the bathroom. HR Here we are, the plumbing department. Toilets, water heaters, sub pumps, and all of that good stuff. WORKER C Sub pumps? MAIN CHARACTER 2 If your basement ever floods, and sewerage comes in, the sub pump pumps the water and feces out of the basement. HR This is a very hands on department. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Have fun poo hands. WORKER C looks disappointed The little kid from earlier begins peeing in one of the display toilets PLUMBING MANAGER Hey new guy! I have a job for you. HR And then there were three. The tour is almost over fellas ... WORKER D ...and so will be our lives. ΗR Off to the wallcoverings department. HR, MAIN CHARACTER 1, MAIN CHARACTER 2, and WORKER D continues walking WORKER D So, I'm getting this is the wallcoverings department? HR You're correct. MAIN CHARACTER 1 and MAIN CHARACTER 2 look around

Worker can be seen shaking up a can of paint, as the worker takes the can out of the shaker, it explodes covering the worker in neon pink paint ΗR This department takes care of all the painting supplies, paneling, and other misc items. Let me introduce you to your manager. Picks up phone, calls manager\* WORKER D I hope the manager isn't like the last guy. Hr on the phone with WALL-MANAGER ΗR I need you to come to the desk, I have a new worker for you. WALL-MANAGER walks up to the desk HR This is (WORKER D), your new part-timer. WORKER D reaches out to shake WALL-MANAGER's hand. WALL-MANAGER Hello, I am (WALL-MANAGER). [starts twitching/ticking and sounds robotic] WORKER D [Hesitates] um I'm (WORKER D). HR Well I'll leave you two to get to work, come on (MAIN CHARACTER 1) and (MAIN CHARACTER 2). MAIN CHARACTER 1 [Directed towards MAIN CHARACTER 2] It looks like she was malfunctioning. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Yeah she might have been a robot. ΗR Down to the last two departments. One's the biggest and the top selling department while the other carries what is usually the main focus of people when they step foot in someone's house. (MAIN CHARACTER 2), You're up first. Welcome to your department, the hardware department. Here you will find all of the basic tools to complete your home improvement project.

Very chaotic, customers everywhere.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Why is everyone running around? HR Hardware is also one of the busiest departments in the store. Hope you'll be able to keep up. MAIN CHARACTER 2 [looks overwhelmed] Yea, me too. HR Lets see if we can find one of your managers and get you started. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Have fun being over here, it looks like it's going to be hectic. HARDWARE WORKER walks quickly passed them, reaches MAIN CHARACTER 1. HARDWARE WORKER [Whispers] Get out while you still can ... MAIN CHARACTER 1: [Stunned] Wait. Huh. What? HR Keep up (MAIN CHARACTER 1) MAIN CHARACTER 1 turns around to only see that the Hardware Worker is gone MAIN CHARACTER 1 Soo no one else heard that? Catches up with HR and MAIN CHARACTER 2 As HR, MAIN CHARACTER 1, MAIN CHARACTER 2 come around the corner they see a customer drop a box of nails, spilling out all over the floor. HR Hurry, don't look and just keep moving. MAIN CHARACTER 1 jumps over a pile of nails, MAIN CHARACTER 2 walks around the nails. A few people can be heard screaming in pain from stepping on the nails. ΗR Well (MAIN CHARACTER 2), (MANAGER) is at the desk already. HR, MAIN CHARACTER 1, MAIN CHARACTER 2 approach the desk. HR I have a new team member for you.

MANAGER Yeah ok. Leave him, I'll take care of him.

HR and MAIN CHARACTER 1 leaves. HR The final stop in our tour of the store, the flooring department. HR grabs her stomach in pain. HR [Groans] Here your will find...[groans again] MAIN CHARACTER 1 looks at HR MAIN CHARACTER 1 Are you ok? HR Yes, [look of agony on her face] there's tile, laminate...[farts loudly] MAIN CHARACTER 1 looks at HR, HR stops talking and stares back at MAIN CHARACTER 1 Awkward silence HR [farts again, embarrassed] um, um I just remembered something that has come up. I'll call [MANAGER] and have him meet you at the desk. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Um ok. HR waddles away quickly MAIN CHARACTER 1 walks to desk. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Hey, I'm . Are you ? Reaches out to shake hand MANAGER Yea, I'm \_\_\_\_. How's it going? Shakes hand and gives a funny look towards MAIN CHARARCTER 1 MANAGER So, um this is flooring. Did (HR) show you around at all? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Uh no. She said something came up and she had to go. MANAGER Yea she probably had the bubble guts. Something

probably came out not up.

MANAGER Let me show you around.

MAIN CHARACTER 1

OK.

Short sequence showing them going over the products

MANAGER Got all of that?

MAIN CHARACTER 1 Um....yeeeaa[unsure]

 $$\operatorname{MANAGER}$$  Let me introduce you to the other guys in the department.

Picks of phone, calls over the intercom.

MANAGER WORKER 1 and WORKER 2 to flooring desk. [repeats] Now WORKER 1 will remind you of Ed Norton in American History X. And WORKER 2looks like Ricky Schroder.

WORKER 1 and WORKER 2 walk up to the desk.

WORKER 1 What's up

WORKER 2 What's going on?

MANAGER Mr. Bite the Curb and the Program! [laughs]

WORKER 1 Shut up lazy dude.

MANAGER This is the new guy.

MAIN CHARACTER 1 What's up I'm .

Shakes WORKER 1 hand

WORKER 1

\_\_\_\_

MAIN CHARACTER 1

Shakes WORKER 2 hand.

WORKER 2 \_\_\_\_ [looks at MAIN CHARACTER 1 hair]

MANAGER We also have another new person starting tomorrow. WORKER 1 He better not be a lazy dude like you. MANAGER You know I'm the franchise of the department. WORKER 2 You're a franchised bum, I'm the whole F'N show. MANAGER [turns to MAIN CHARACTER] You see how they gang up on me? They're racists. WORKER 1/2 Oh shut up. MANAGER Whatever, I'm about to go on lunch. You two, do some work and show (MAIN CHARACTER 1) around the department some more. WORKER 2 Nope, we're burning this place down. MANAGER leaves WORKER 1 So is this your first job? [turns to MAIN CHARACTER 1] MAIN CHARACTER 1 Naw, I worked at a fast food place before here. MAIN CHARACTER 1 How long have you guys worked here? WORKER 2 Almost 2 years for me. WORKER 1 3 years too long. MAIN CHARACTER 1 How do yall like it here? WORKER 1 It's better than not having a job, I'm just work here until I get my degree in law enforcement and become a cop, so I can shoot people. All laugh

WORKER 2

Yea, it's money. People think we're a lazy department because ... WORKER 1 ...that's because we're pretty much are. [laughs] WORKER 2 True, but we do, do a lot of work, form stocking tile, laminate, and hardwood. WORKER 1 Things are cool over here because we don't take work too serious. WORKER 2 Just look like you're busy working and no one will really say anything to you. WORKER 1 [laughs] That's what I'm always doing. WORKER 2 Oh, you need to be aware of the cameras too. The head office is always looking to get people in trouble or fired. WORKER 2 We'll show you all of the blind spots in the department. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Cool. [laughs] WORKER 2 At the end of this aisle there isn't a camera. The are rug aisle is perfect for hiding and the end of both blind aisles are safe. WORKER 1 So are you in school? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Yea, I'm majoring in computer science. WORKER 1 So you're kinda like a nerd? [laugh] MAIN CHARACTER 1 Way cooler than a nerd. I want to get that Bill Gates money. WORKER 2 We all want that. CUSTOMER walks up

WORKER 1

Hi, can I help you with anything? CUSTOMER Yes, do you have anything that will remove stains out of carpet? WORKER 1 Yes, over this way. WORKER 1 and CUSTOMER walks towards the cleaners. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Follows CUSTOMER Will this get blood out of the carpet? WORKER 1 Let me check and see. [starts to read label] CUSTOMER I really hope so. [looks nervous] You know ... you know how things can get crazy when you're having fun? Have you ever had fun before? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Yea. CUSTOMER I only had a few drinks, just a few then I thought, "What do dogs do when they get their doggie seeds backed up?" They need to release it, but how? They don't have thumbs, no thumbs man! So, I did what any dog loving owner would do. I red rocketed him and his doggie bag exploded! WORKER 1 Wow ... Um yea this should do it. [hands bottle to CUSTOMER] MAIN CHARACTER 1 I don't love dogs that much. CUSTOMER He's not the same anymore, he's just lifeless. WORKER 1 Lifeless as if someone made dog nuts explode and now he has no reason to go on. CUSTOMER walks away MAIN CHARACTER 1 He was like a hardcore version of Bob Barker on bath salts. CUT TO INT. HARDWARE DEPT - DAY MAIN CHARACTER 2 walks up to the Hardware desk and gets greeted by MANAGER.

MANAGER So, you're the new quy huh? [Looks MAIN CHARACTER 2 up and down then shakes head] I'm [Reaches out to shake MAIN CHARACTER 2 hand\* MAIN CHARACTER 2 I'm . Nice to meet you. [Shakes MANAGER hand] MANAGER Well I have more important things to do, so I'm going to let the Assistant Manager, show you around and train you. MANAGER picks up phone and calls ASSISTANT MANAGER to the desk. MANAGER " to the hardware desk immediately." [Repeats] ASSISTANT MANAGER arrives shortly MANAGER This is the new guy, show him around and train him. I have other stuff to do. ASSISTANT MANAGER Ok. [Turns to MAIN CHARACTER 2] What's up brah? I'm \_\_\_ [Reaches out to shake MAIN CHARACTER 2] MAIN CHARACTER 2 I'm \_\_, how is it going? [Reaches out to shake AM  $\,$ hand] ASSISTANT MANAGER Don't mind (MANAGER) attitude, his wife just asked for a divorce because he has diarrhea nightmares. MAIN CHARACTER 2 What!? [Puzzled look] ASSISTANT MANAGER Yea brah, horrible dreams where he shits himself at which point he either wakes up in a cold with shit everywhere or he wakes up screaming in terror while shitting himself. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Wow that's crazy, weird, and sad all at the same time. ASSISTANT MANAGER Yea his wife just couldn't take waking up in doo doo anymore. Anyway I'll give you a tour of the department and introduce you to people. ASSISTANT MANAGER

Hardware is the biggest department in the store. Try not to get overwhelmed. Over here are the screwdrivers. In the next aisle are where the hammers and other construction tools are.

Sequence where the go through dept.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 There is a lot to learn.

MANAGER overhears MAIN CHARACTER 2

MANAGER Well you better get started leaning then. I hate stupid people, stupid questions, and stupid people that ask stupid questions.

ASSISTANT MANAGER I'll finish showing you around.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 and ASSISTANT MANAGER continue on.

ASSISTANT MANAGER Here are the nails and this guy is (OLD MAN ROB)

OMR Hey there , how's is going?

ASSISTANT MANAGER It's good, this is \_\_. He's the new guy in the department.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 How are you? [Reaches out to shake hand]

OMR [shakes hand] It's nice to meet you lad.

OMR Did you guys see that blonde that just left? If I was 45 years younger I would show her a great night!

ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 laughs and continue the tour.

ASSISTANT MANAGER OLD MAN ROB is hilarious. He probably need to electro shock himself to get it up.

MAIN CHARACER 2 How old is he?

ASSISTANT MANAGER I'm not too sure, at least 76.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Why is he still working? ASSISTANT MANAGER He's bored and wants to keep busy. If I was him I would just beat my meat until the Grim Reaper comes for me.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 and ASSISTANT MANAGER continue walking.

 $\label{eq:assistant_manager} \mbox{ASSISTANT MANAGER} \\ \mbox{I'm going to take you over to the seasonal section.}$ 

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Ok. What is kept over there?

ASSISTANT MANAGER Just machetes, hoes, pitch folks, and torches. Your basic essentials to start an angry mob.

Gets to the seasonal section.

ASSISTANT MANAGER What are you into?

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Right now I go to Holy Trin College. It's a Christian college.

ASSISTANT MANAGER Oh ok. That must mean you're very religious? No killing people, stealing or sexing up animals. Like the commandments.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Yea pretty much. Having sex with animals isn't one of the commandments, but I'm not into that either.

ASSISTANT MANAGER That's good brah. It's good to have morals. There are a lot of crazy, sneaky, freaky people out there.

ASSISTANT MANAGER What are you in school for?

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Business management. I eventually want to have my own business.

ASSISTANT MANAGER That's cool, good luck with that. Like I said before, Hardware is the biggest and most important department in the store, but try not to let that overwhelmed you. You're new, just focus on learning the department in sections. So in the seasonal section, once it's summer, we have a lot of things for the lawn such as lawnmowers, weed wackers, and other garden tools. ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 approaches a customer looking at the animal control products. ASSISTANT MANAGER Hi, did you need help with anything? CUSTOMER Um yeah, I'm lookin for something to bring a squirrel back. ASSISTANT MANAGER Bring a squirrel back? Back from what? ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 both look confused. CUSTOMER Yes back! I need Krystal to come back home. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Who's Krystal? CUSTOMER My squirrel!! Jesus, what are you guys not understanding? Have you no been paying attention?!! ASSISTANT MANAGER All we have are traps and repellants really. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Maybe you should leave some nuts out for "her". CUSTOMER I've tried that! She doesn't want my nuts!! [says desperately] ASSISTANT MANAGER snickers. ASSISTANT MANAGER May ... Maybe it might be because your nuts are too old. CUSTOMER Wait! You might be right. Look of shock on ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 faces. MAIN CHARACTER 2: Uh.. CUSTOMER I need some new fresher nuts. Do you have sell nuts here?

MAIN CHARACTER 2 looks at ASSISTANT MANAGER.

ASSISTANT MANAGER Sorry, no we don't sell nuts.

CUSTOMER Damnit. MAIN CHARACTER 2 You could always try a grocery store. I'm sure they have tons of fresh nuts. CUSTOMER gives MAIN CHARACTER 2 a stern look. CUSTOMER Are you trying to be funny? This isn't a joking matter. I miss Krystal! MAIN CHARACTER 2 NO...no sir, I'm just saying grocery stores sell nuts. ASSISTANT MANAGER Yea tons of nuts in sacks and bags. CUSTOMER Well thanks anyway. [walks away] MAIN CHARACTER 2 I hope his Krystal comes back. ASSISTANT MANAGER looks at MAIN CHARACTER 2 funny. MAIN CHARACTER 2 What? I do. ASSISTANT MANAGER Man that guy was nuts. I would have ran away too like Krystal, if I didn't work here. ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 start walking towards the desk. ASSISTANT MANAGER So the next piece of advice that I can give you, is to stay busy and avoid (MANAGER) at all times. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Is he really that bad? ASSISTANT MANAGER Yes [serious face] he is a man on a warpath for no reason. I've never seen him smile before. Actually, I think if he did smile, his face would rip apart. You should be as afraid of him as I am. He finds pleasure In making other people's lives horrible. MAIN CHARACTER 2 He sounds like he's the villain of the store. It CAN'T get worse than him. ASSISTANT MANAGER

Oh but it does indeed.

Intercomm comes on.

MANAGER (ASSISTANT MANAGER) To the hardware desk...

ASSISTANT MANAGER Oh man, well let's go see what he wants.

MANAGER meets ASSISTANT MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 in the main aisle

ASSISTANT MANAGER Yeah, what's going on?

MANAGER Take your lunch.

ASSISTANT MANAGER

Ok.

MANAGER I'll finish training the new guy.

ASSISTANT MANAGER whispers to MAIN CHARACTER 2

ASSISTANT MANAGER Good luck.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 nods head. ASSISTANT MANAGER punches out for lunch.

> MANAGER Do you know how to use tools?

> > MAIN CHARACTER 2

Huh?

MANAGER Hammer tool, screwdriver tool, saw tool. Tools

MAIN CHARACTER 2 Um yes.

MANAGER Good, well at least you have the intelligence of a monkey. Since you're a tool expert, I'll let you focus on this section.

MAIN CHARACTER 2 I'm not really an expert but I'll try my best.

MANAGER: Yes, you do that, try your best. [sarcastically]

MANAGER leaves MAIN CHARACTER 2 is the tool aisle

MAIN CHARACTER 2

Dear Jesus, please give me the strength not to react to (MANAGER) rudeness and bless his black heart, amen. Do I know how to use tools? Ha of course I do, I'm a man! [picks up hammer, hits palm with it] Ouch! [shakes hand] Just have to do what (ASSISTANT MANAGER) said and just memorize a section at a time. MAIN CHARACTER 2 picks up screwdriver and examines it, twisting it around. FRIEND walks into aisle FRIEND [imitating MANAGER's voice] What are you doing?! MAIN CHARACTER 2 [startled] Huh? Uh nothing. [turns around and sees FRIEND] You suck! I thought you were (MANAGER) for a sec. FRIEND [laughs] What are you doing, practicing for later with you girlfriend? MAIN CHARACTER 2 No. [blushes] I'm learning how to use the tools. FRIEND So you don't know how to use a screwdriver? MAIN CHARACTER 2 Of course I do, I'm just saying ... FRIEND Next to the hammer the screwdriver is pretty explanatory. Take screws and drive them into stuff. [Laughs] So how's your first day going? MAIN CHARACTER 2 It was good when I was with (ASSISTANT MANAGER), then it went downhill when I got stuck with (MANAGER). FRIEND Yea he's definitely a spawn of evil. Maybe he's constipated all the time. MAIN CHARACTER 2 No, I don't think that's it. FRIEND He still doesn't even know my name and I've been here almost two months. MANAGER walks pass aisle.

MANAGER

[Gives stern look to FRIEND and MAIN CHARACTER 2] Hey you! [Points to FRIEND] Did you finish that cart of freight? FRIEND Not yet, I was just coming back from the bathroom. MANAGER Get back to that cart and let your buddy finish amusing himself with the tools. FRIEND OK MANAGER walks off. FRIEND Every organ in my body just took a crap at the same time. MAIN CHARACTER 2 I think I peed myself a little. FRIEND Well I'm going to get back to work before Hell's gatekeeper returns. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Yeah me too. FRIEND I'm thinking about having a few people over tonight, what'd you think? MAIN CHARACTER 2 What about school tomorrow? Did you finish the homework? FRIEND Nope, I'll just copy off of (ROOMMATE). All he does is homework, watch cartoon porn, and turns his junk into a shake weight. MAIN CHARACTER 2 That's a visual that I do not want in my head. FRIEND Yep, that's why most of his notes are stuck together. FRIEND Sooo, people over tonight? MAIN CHARACTER 2 Yeah, that's ok with me, even though it's Wednesday.

FRIEND

Sweet meats !!! Wasted Wednesday !!! Ohhhh. See you tonight. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Ok. FRIEND walks off. MAIN CHARACTER 2 [Looks at watch] Guess I'll just face for a while. [starts facing] MANAGER walks by. MANAGER What are you doing? MAIN CHARACTER 2 Um facing. MANAGER Who who told you to face? MAIN CHARACTER 2 No one. MANAGER [Baffled] Why are you doing it? MAIN CHARACTER 2 Well everything was out of order. MANAGER Um well you can go home now. Just check the schedule book over here. MANAGER and MAIN CHARACTER 2 walk towards the hardware desk. MANAGER The main thing that I care about is that you work, fast and efficiently. I don't care about your outside life. Just come in and work. No playing around, no slacking, just work. If you work well and get things done then we shouldn't have a problem. Make sure you write your schedule down and don't be late or you're fired. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Ok [nervously]

MAIN CHARACTER 2 starts to write schedule down. STORE MANAGER approaches desk.

STORE MANAGER (MANAGER) I hired a few more people for you.

MANAGER

Disappointed look falls upon MAIN CHARACTER 2's face. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Guest I'll see next time. MANAGER [No response] MAIN CHARACTER 2 walks away. CUT TO INT. FLOORING DEPT - DAY MANAGER returns from lunch. Walks up to desk where WORKER1, WORKER2, and MAIN CHARACTER 1 are. WORKER 1 It's about time lazy dude, you were gone for about 2 hours. MANAGER Never that, 45 min on the dot. WORKER 2 looks at the clock. WORKER 2 47 min and 16 seconds. MANAGER Shut up, Go do some work. WORKER 2 Like? MANAGER Stop playing, look at your sales goal. I know you haven't done any of it yet. WORKER 2 Actually, I have done everything, accept for one. MANAGER Really? [says surprised] WORKER 2 Nope, this is my first time looking at it. [laughs] MANAGER Ugh! Finish that list before you go home. [looks at WORKER 1] You too. WORKER 1 Sure. [sarcastic] WORKER 2 Yeah yeah ...

Stop hiring me garbage people.

MANAGER turns to MAIN CHARACTER 1.

MANAGER So yea, everyday you work there will be a sales goal sheet for you. Basically you have to keep track of how much you sell, how many customers you helped, and on the back is a to-do list. MAIN CHARACTER 1 What happens if I get caught without the sales goal or haven't sold anything? MANAGER It's depends, either you'll get written up, suspended, or fired. If you lose it just let me know and I'll make you another one. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Oh ok. MANAGER The last thing I'm going to show you how to do is cut blinds. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Is it difficult to do? MANAGER It's easy pretty much as long as you know how to read a ruler. MAIN CHARACTER 1 and MANAGER walk to blind aisle. MANAGER These are the shades [pulls one out] and this is the machine here to cut them. MAIN CHARACTER 1 [Nods head] MANAGER This is the blade, it's really sharp, so be carefully. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Has anyone ever cut themselves before? MANAGER One time there was some kids in the aisle playing around and out of nowhere I hear a scream and crying. I pay it no attention because it isn't my kid. Next thing you know the kid's dad runs up to the desk, hollering call the 911 ... MAIN CHARACTER 1

The 911?

MANAGER Yea, he kept saying the 911. I don't know guess he was foreign or something. Out of all of the departments, a kid has to cut his fingers in the department with the only black manager. Then I'm like the kid just cut his fingers, it can't be that bad right? I was so wrong. Man I get to the aisle and this dumbass kid then cut his fingers off. MANAGER OFF! The fingers are on the floor looking like worms. MAIN CHARACTER 1 How many did he cut off? MANAGER Two and I think I saw them still wiggling. So yea pretty much be careful. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Cool MANAGER goes through the steps of cutting blinds with MAIN CHARACTER 1. MANAGER Think you've got that? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Yea. MANAGER Ok Ok well now I need you to cut these blinds without messing up. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Ok. What if I mess up? MANAGER Don't mess up. MAIN CHARACTER 1 But what if I do somehow? MANAGER Just don't ... [walks away]. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Well, alrighty then. I got this hopefully. What if I mess up though? I'd probably just have to pay for them. Maybe they'll fine me if I do really bad. Worst case scenario is they announce that I suck and fire me in front of the entire store, [starts sweating] then make me pay for the damage that I caused but since I don't have any money, they have the police arrest me and thrown in jail. [wipes sweatl

CUSTOMER walks into aisle. MAIN CHARACTER 1 How is it going? CUSTOMER Good, is this where the blinds are? MAIN CHARACTER 1 [Looks around] Yea, all of them are down here. CUSTOMER I'm trying to find the vertical blinds. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Um... [looks around] yea they are right here. CUSTOMER Ok ok, I need to get one hat is 75 inches wide. MAIN CHARACTER 1 [starts looking at the different sizes] 54, 54, 60, 66, 78, 104. Eh, no 75 wide. CUSTOMER Can you cut these blinds for me? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Um, I'm not sure, it is my first day. Let me check and see. MAIN CHARACTER 1 goes to get manager MAIN CHARACTER 1 Hey , there's a guy that wants to get his blinds cut. MANAGER Ok, cool MAIN CHARACTER 1 and MANAGER go back to blind aisle CUSTOMER Are you the blind guy? Get it? Blind guy? [laugh] MAIN CHARACTER 1 and MANAGER give sympathy laugh. CUSTOMER I need these blinds cut [points to blinds] MANAGER Unfortunately, no we don't cut them CUSTOMER starts to get angry. CUSTOMER Why not?!

MANAGER

It's not part of our policy. CUSTOMER I don't understand why not, the machine is right here! MANAGER Certain blinds are part of our policy and those aren't them. CUSTOMER Well you guys cut them for me before. MANAGER Who did? CUSTOMER Um um I don't remember Awkward silence CUSTOMER So are you going to cut them for me?! MANAGER No, we don't cut those. CUSTOMER looks at MAIN CHARACTER 1 CUSTOMER Don't listen to this guy if you want to go far in the company kid. CUSTOMER leaves MANAGER

[sighs and shakes head] Pretty much from time to time you'll have people just like that that'll try anything to get their way. He's been in here a few times before, asking for the same thing and every time he has gotten the same answer.

MAIN CHARACTER 1 So what do you do in situations like that?

MANAGER Just stare into their beady little eyes down to their greedy soul and say no.

MAIN CHARACTER 1 And does that usually works?

MANAGER Nope, it takes about 8 times.

MAIN CHARACTER 1 Oh [nervous look]

MANAGER Don't worry about it, just come get me or the assistant if you need help. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Ok. MANAGER So how'd you do cutting the blinds? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Well, you know, ha um, they're cut. MANAGER But are they cut to the right size? MAIN CHARACTER 1 Well, you know, um... [mumbles] MANAGER iight let me check them. [pulls out tape measure] mmm ok ok, eh [takes a deep breath] MAIN CHARACTER 1 So? MANAGER [Looks at MAIN CHARACTER 1 then looks a tape measure and back at MAIN CHARACTER 1] [pauses] Good job. MAIN CHARACTER 1 [lets out a sigh of relief] Cool. So what would have happened if I got them wrong? MANAGER Nothing. MAIN CHARACTER 1 Wait ... what? Really? MANAGER Yeah. Cmon man, you're new. I expect you to make mistakes. I just wanted to see how you did under pressure. CUT TO INT. HOUSE - NIGHT MAIN CHARACTER 2, FRIEND, ROOMMATE, RANDOM PEOPLE FRIEND So you made it through your first day at the job, this calls for a shot!! ROOMMATE, RANDOM PEOPLE all yell MAIN CHARACTER 2

No, no I have class in the morning.

FRIEND Make sure you change your tampon in the morning also. ROOMMATE, RANDOM PEOPLE shout "Oooh!!!" MAIN CHARACTER 2 Ok…ok. I'll do one. ROOMMATE Nope, now you must do two for trying to pussy out of the first one. MAIN CHARACTER 2 What! What kind of rule is that? ROOMMATE Hey man, we don't make the rules, we just abide by them. MAIN CHARACTER 2 Fine, two then \*pours up two shots\* FRIEND Three for bitching. RANDOM GUY [Yells] No bitching bro! RANDOM GUY2 NBB!! MAIN CHARACTER 2 Argh \*pours another shot\* Everyone yells "Yeeeaa" "Drink! Drink! Drink!" MAIN CHARACTER 2 drinks each shot making a bitter face after each one MAIN CHARACTER 2 [Yells] Woooo!! FRIEND, ROOMMATE, RANDOM PEOPLE takes shots ROOMMATE Hey (MAIN2), I watched anime in your room today. \*Drinks another shots\* Appalled look upon MAIN CHARACTER 2's face FRIEND hands MAIN2 a beer FRIEND [Whispers to MAIN2] You might want to change your sheets tonight. MAIN CHARACTER 2 shakes his head in disappointment ROOMMATE places hand on FRIEND'S shoulder

ROOMMATE Let's party!!!

FADE OUT