

HATE TO RUN

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INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

CANDAICE 28-32 and BRAD 35-40 are in the middle of passionate love making session.

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Brad is not moving. Hes dead, But Candice continues to try to get him to wake up.

V.O. How did I get in this situation? Ah yes. Running.

BLACK OUT

EXT. PARK- DAY

Candice is running around the track.

V.O. I have no idea why people do this. Well, ok. I know why people say they do this.

CUT TO REALLY THIN GIRLS IN PARK GIVING HAPPY RUNNING TESTIMONIES

GIRL 1

I love running I've been doing it all my life. It just makes me feel free. Like a bird flying.

GIRL 2

Running is so amazing after about five or six minutes the endorphins start to kick in and I get this insane high. Its so much better than cocain, its an organic high.

GIRL 3

Running relly clears my mind, and it just makes my ass so tight.

CUT BACK TO CANDICE RUNNING

V.O. I'm sure that's all BULL SHIT. NONE OF THAT APPLIES TO ME IN FACT I HATE RUNNING. And you hate it too I know it. Seriously it's hard to belive people really like this. Runners high, HA! You mean you got high and then started running. YOU'RE PROBABLY SAYING WELL WHY ARE YOU DOING IT.

CUT TO INT. BEDROOM- DAY

RANDOM TALL BIG MUSCULAR GUY MAKING OUT WITH CANDICE SPINNING HER AROUND HER LAYING ON HIM WHILE HE DOES PUSH UPS. HE TOSSES HER UP IN THE AIR.

V.O Lets just say it keeps me light on my feet. Guys under 5'6 take notes. But in all honesty that's all fun but what I really want is.

CUT TO EXT. FRONT YARD DAY

CANDICE IS IN FRONT OF A NICE HOUSE WITH A WHITE PICKETT FENCE TWO KIDS RUNNING AROUND AFTER A DOG. SHE'S HUGGING HER HUSBAND. IT IS A PICTURE PERFECT LIFE. THEY WAVE AT THE CAMERA SMILING.

V.O. The only problem is I like to do this.

CANDICE IS SITTING AT A TABLE FULL OF STUFFING HER FACE WITH FOOD.

V.O. And that doesn't equal this

CUT TO HAPPY FAMILY

V.O. That equals this

CUT TO CANDICE MUCH LARGER IN A ROOM FULL OF CATS.

CANDICE
Sit down Fluffy. SIT DOWN!

CUT BACK TO EXT. PARK- DAY

CANDIS IS RUNNING AT A FASTER PACE THAN BEFORE

V.O. Oh no no no. I cannot afford to be that cat lady. So I run. I once tried to work out at a gym it was the most discusting thing I ever witnessed.

CUT TO GYM INT. DAY

There are men and women on equipment sweating all over the place making grunting work out noises. Driping all over the place. Squirting water in the mouth. Candice is curled up in a corner watching all of this she gets the corrage to get up and run out.

CANDICE
(Screaming)
You people are sick!

V.O. I know what you're thinking. NO Im not a germaphobe. You seen that place. Would you want to be locked in there brething in the steam from everyones toxic sweat. EWW! Im pretty sure thats how you get some form of cancer. No thank you.

INT. CANDICE JOB THE JEWELERY REPAIR SHOP- DAY (LUNCH ROOM)

Candice is talking to her co worker REYNAH 30 to 39 Heavy set woman who works in accounting.

REYNAH
So who's this guy you're going out with this weekend?

CANDICE
Oh some guy that I met a the grocery store. He's much shorter than anyone I would normally date but Ive been working out so I think he might be able to handel me.

REYNAH
You got a picture of him?

CANDICE
Yeah.

Candice pulls out her phone and starts going through the photos. Finds a good one of Brad.

REYNAH

Oh he's cute. How long have you been seeing him?

CANDICE

We've been going out for almost two weeks now and this is going to be our third date.

REYNAH

How tall did you say he was?

CANDICE

I think about five five and a half five six. Something like that.

REYNAH

Oh wow that's waaaay below what you normally go for.

CANDICE

Yeah I know, but we are in a recession so everyone needs to couple up. Its slim pickings these days. Also since I've been running I've decided to widen my dating pool cause I'm a little lighter on my feet.

REYNAH

Well let me know how that goes. I personally dont care about hight. I just want a man that will treat me right. Oh by the way I baked your favorite cookies Peanutbutter chocolate chip. Remind me to give them to you.

Candice looks fake happy because she is a little annoyed that Reynah is always bringing her sweets that she cannot resist.

V.O. Oh my God! She does this to me every time! I feel like she is secretly trying to saboge me being great.

CANDICE

Awwww... You shouldnt have.

REYNAH

Well I know how much you love them. You know I really like what you did with your hair. Its beautiful.

CANDICE

Oh, thank you girl. Just trying something new.

REYNAH

You know I was mopping this morning
and it kinda reminds me of my mop a
little.

Candice sits with a confused and annoyed look on her face.

INT. RESTAURANT- NIGHT

BRAD and Candice are at a restaurant having dinner.

CANDICE

So you have been teaching for ten
years, have you ever wanted to beat
up a kid?

BRAD

No, never.

CANDICE

Really? Wow you must have the heart
of mother Teresa. What grades do
you teach again?

BRAD

Freshman all the way to seniors.

CANDICE

So you have never had a student
that has tried to test you and
fight?

BRAD

Ehh... Maybe once or twice but I
managed to de-escalate the
situation and everything was fine.

CANDICE

That's impressive. So do you want
children?

THERE IS A PAUSE

BRAD

Ummmmm.....

CANDICE

Ok well that appears to be
something you've never thought
about.

BRAD

No its not that. I just haven't
thought about it in a while, but I
definitely would like a family.

CANDICE

Ok

BRAD

What about you?

CANDICE

Yeah I think I could possibly maybe see myself with a family one day.

BRAD

(laughing)

Well that was a pretty drawn out yes.

CANDICE

(smiling)

I know right? Im just not sure if that's for me some time. You know?

BRAD

Yeah I understand. So would you like to finish this conversation back at my place with a glass of wine?

Candice just smiles

INT. LIVINGROOM - NIGHT

Candice and Brad are on the couch laughing and drinking wine.

CANDICE

Oh my God! That is crazy! So you're trying to get away from this woman on foot and she's chasing you in her car.

BRAD

YES! Not only that every time I she gets close to me I jump on a curb and shes jumping the curb as well in her car.

CANDICE

You've got to be kidding me.

BRAD

No Im not. She was insane.

CANDICE

Was she insane? Or did you make her insane.

BRAD

(laughing)

Dont try to put that on me.

CANDICE

No I'm not. Im just saying you got women risking it all chasing you down the street. About to run you over. What's really going on.

BRAD

(Moving close Candice)

Hey I'm just me and after a while some people feel like they cant live with out me.

Brad and Candice lock eyes and start to make out. Clothes start to come off and are in the middle of passionate love making session.

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EXT. SIDE WALK- DAY

Candice is dressed in all black walking away from Brads funeral service.

V.O. I have given my self this false perception, and now a man is dead all because of running. If I had never lost that pound and a half in the last five months I would've never thought to ask Brad to pick me.

Candice just breaks down.