THE LUNCHROOM

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"Pirates of the Caravan"

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FADE IN:

INT. LUNCHROOM - DAY

WILL COOPER, JOEL MAYBERRY, BROCK WARNER, CASEY JENNINGS, and REICTHER sit around their normal table. Will has movie storyboards laid out on the table.

WILL
And in this shot, I’ll bring the camera up slowly so that we get a good look at Casey in his costume. Then we’ll switch to -

VOICE (O.S.)
(overlapping)
Will!

BRIAN VANDELE runs up to the table.

BRIAN
Will! Will!

WILL
(annoyed)
What?

BRIAN
I want to direct our movie for the Richmond film festival this year!

WILL
(shocked)
...For real?

JOEL
But Will directs them every year.

BRIAN
I know it’s kinda of Will’s thing but I just had a brilliant idea while napping in history class.

BROCK
Oh don’t tell me it’s the thing about pirates -

BRIAN
(overlapping)
"Pirates of the Caravan"!

The table groans in unison.

(CONTINUED)
BRIAN
Hey! What’s the deal?

BROCK
You’ve pitched that idea every time since the 8th grade.

BRIAN
Yeah and you bastards have never taken me up on it.

WILL
But we’re all set up for the zombie movie I wrote.

BRIAN
Ugh. Excuses, excuses. You know what? I don’t need you guys. I’ll find people who do want to make my movie!

Brian storms off.

FADE TO:

EXT. GAS STATION - DAY - BRIAN’S FILM

TOM LAWRENCE is filling up his truck. He hops in and drives away.

INT. TOM’S TRUCK - SAME - BRIAN’S FILM

Tom drives and turns on radio to hear an announcer voice (Brian doing a bad accent).

ANNOUNCER (V/O)
Reports of car related crimes have spiked in recent weeks, officials say that "Car Pirates" are to blame.

TOM
(bad acting)
Car Pirates!? That’s the dumbest thing I ever heard of!

BRIAN (O.S.)
(whispering)
Act better, Tom!

CUT TO:
EXT. STREET - SAME - BRIAN’S FILM

Tom’s truck drives by. We see a Mini van waving a pirate flag starting to tail him. We hear several muffled "Yargh!’s"

CUT TO:

INT. TOM’S TRUCK - SAME - BRIAN’S FILM

Tom is humming to a song on the radio. Tom notices the van in his rear-view mirror.

TOM
(bad acting)
What the -- ?

Tom pulls his car over.

VOICE (O.S.)
YARG!!!

CUT TO:

EXT. STREET - SAME - BRIAN’S FILM

The Mini van pulls up beside Tom’s truck. The sliding door opens to reveal three pirates: Captain Red Goatee (Brian), First Mate Wiggles (KIRK McNEIL) and Skipper Dikshit (JOSEPH SAÏD).

They all give a hardy Yargh!

WIGGLES
(bad pirate voice)
Hand over your vessel!

TOM
What?

DIKSHIT
(bad pirate voice)
Relinquish your craft!

TOM
What are you talking about?

RED
(normal voice)
Give us your car dummy.
CONTINUED:

TOM
(bad acting)
Are you crazy? My dad would kill me!

RED
(under breath)
I swear to God, Tom. If you ruin this for me.
(pirate voice)
Uh, there be worse things than death matey!

TOM
Like what?

The pirates all fall silent and look at each other confused.

RED
(pirate voice)
Quit stalling and give us your car!
(under breath)
And stop fucking improvising, Tom!

Wiggles and Dikshit "yargh" their agreement.

TOM
No!

RED
Yargh! Not going to hand it over peacefully? Mr. Dikshit! Prepare to board the enemy vehicle! And be careful!

DIKSHIT
Aye sir!

Dikshit tries to jump into the truck but doesn’t make it, he hangs on to the side for a second before falling onto the ground.

DIKSHIT
Oh no! I can’t swim!

Dikshit convulses and "dies".

WIGGLES
Captain, I think it would be wise to use the rope from now on.

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RED
Aye.

TOM
(breaking character)
You realize that neither car is moving?

RED
(under breath)
Stick to the script, Tom!
(pirate voice)
Mr. Wiggles, prepare to board!

WIGGLES
Aye Aye sir!

A rope comes out of nowhere, we see Wiggles swing over to the truck and land in the truck bed.

TOM
Holy crap!

WIGGLES
Quit you scally wag!

RED
(breaking character)
That’s not what the script says!

WIGGLES
(breaking character)
Well, uh...um...I couldn’t think of the...

Wiggles nervously looks directly into the camera.

TOM
Uh, why are you guys doing this anyway?

RED
(pirate voice)
Aye, there used to be a time when we were all mild-mannered office workers -- except for Wiggles, he was the janitor -- Anywho, when gas prices rised we could no longer afford the morning commute due to astronomical gas prices so we decided to turn to a life of piracy!

(CONTINUED)
TOM
Why didn’t you guys just car pool
or something?

WIGGLES
(breaks character)
Hey he brings up a good point,
Brian.

RED
(pirate voice)
Quiet Wiggles! Now, back to
business, swindle this boy’s fuel!

WIGGLES
No!

RED
(breaks character)
What?

WIGGLES
(breaks character)
I am tired of being bossed around
like this! I quit! I’m going to
work on Will’s film.

VOICE (O.S.)
Uh, should I cut?

RED
(re: camera person)
Keep rolling!
(to Wiggles)
Kirk, I swear to Christ if you
leave I will beat the shit out of
you!

WIGGLES
Bring it bitch!

Red hops over into the truck bed and starts to BEAT the crap
out of Wiggles. Tom nervously looks into the camera,
mouthing concerns to the camera person.

We PULL back until we to reveal we’re in a --

CUT TO:
INT. AUDITORIUM - NIGHT

A group of horrified spectators are watching Brian’s film. On screen, Brian and Wiggles continue to fight it out. The audience is puzzled, annoyed, and disinterested.

In the front row sits The Gang.

BROCK
(whispering)
I’m confused. Are they still pirates?

CASEY
(confused)
Uh, maybe?

Brian leans over to Will.

BRIAN
(whispering)
Hey Will.

WILL
(whispering)
Yeah?

BRIAN
(whispering)
Making movies fucking suck.

Will nods.

FADE TO BLACK

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