

MOON STATION MISFITS

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Tagline: "Up There It's Always A Full Moon"

Logline: When mental health difficulties affect Moon Station One, NASA hatches a plan to send up a diverse blend of folk to balance out the scientists, only to discover 'normal' people can be difficult to control.

(C) simplyscripts writers tournament 2025 - the mucho bonus round!

EXT. MOON - SURFACE

Under the expanse of space, a village of SPACE PODS lie upon the stark moon surface.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
Moon Station One, where we research
the impact of living in space. All
was good until the astronauts went
nuts, wacko, the full tonto. Gents,
we've lost control.

INT. NASA BOARD ROOM - DAY

The image of the space station is on a TV screen. At the front is DR GLOOM (50) NASA badge. Suited EXECUTIVES look on.

DR GLOOM
Take Dr Johnston. Specialist in
moon rock and dust particles. He
now names the rocks and invites
them in for supper. Gents, we've
got too many Phd's up there. What
we need is diversity, a more
'normal' mix. First up, nutrition.

INT. RUNDOWN RESTAURANT - KITCHEN - NIGHT

Grease everywhere. LOU (40), naked except tight shorts, headbangs to music while flipping a burger. Fat spits upon his naked flesh - he embraces the pain.

LOU
Oh yeah. Feel the burn, baby.

EXT. RETIREMENT HOME - FRONT LAWN - DAY

Outside a faded Manor Home, RESIDENTS in wheelchairs face a small stage. Dance music blares as JEN (30), pretty, does a handstand with her legs in a split.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
Then there is exercise. We need
everyone fit and healthy.

JEN
Let's go deep, feel it open.

An elderly MAN collapses.

INT. PRISON - ART ROOM - DAY

PHIL (30) punk look, with a name badge 'ART TEACHER' manically spray paints an end wall, Banksy Style.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
Next is creativity. They need to
express themselves.

Result: a painted hole with pretend escape route. The inmates
celebrate as guards rush in, whistles blaring.

EXT. CHURCH - CEMETERY - DAY

Two feet and a black cassock stick out from a grave stone.
REV JONES (40) sleeps next to an empty bottle of Jack.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
Let's not forget the spiritual
realm. Up there in space, you can
sense the meaning of existence.
(Rev Jones snores)
So, let's find our team.

INTERCUT - each character holds a pamphlet:

'Don't Just Change Your Job, Change Your Planet'

INT. MOON STATION ONE - LOUNGE

Geeky male and female ASTRONAUTS look on in awe as the air
lock door opens. In SLOW MOTION, in walk...

Jen in leotard: she bounces up and does a split in mid air -
descends slowly. Hands free. Male jaws drop.

Lou with frying pan: drops to one knee and air guitars.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
This is our chance to reboot. To
celebrate what humanity can do.

Phil with purple hair: pats Jaccob on the back, feels the
energy and sprays on the closing door: 'Screw Earth'.

Rev Jones with hip flask: notices a female astronaut, takes a
swig and kisses his cross. Thanks the lord.

INT. NASA BOARD ROOM - DAY

A satisfied Dr Gloom finishes his presentation to applause.

DR GLOOM (V.O.)
Most of all, we take back control.

INT. MOON STATION ONE - LOUNGE

Everyone rocks out to thumping music as several Geeks spray
graffiti across the walls. It's kicking off.