

NATIONWIDE BESTSELLER
Found Footage

@2022

FADE UP FROM BLACK TO:

EXT STREET DOWNTOWN L.A. DAY

SHEILA, BRAD and MARY in HAZMAT suits step out of a HAZMAT truck. Several dead people litter the street. The trio walk towards an abandoned TV NEWS Van.

SHEILA
(cynically)
Lets see if anyone is left alive in
this sector.

BRAD
Lots of luck on that.

MARY
Don't be so pessimistic. That was
Hollywood.

INT ABANDONED NEWS VAN DOWNTOWN L.A. DAY

Brad, Sheila and Mary enter the van. Four dead news reporters and technicians are scattered about the van.

BRAD
Looks like their luck ran out.

Brad picks up a CD, plugs it into the computer.

CLOSE ON TV MONITOR POV

as it PLAYS. DEREK and CHARLES are dressing in hazmat suits.

JANICE (OS)
Hurry up folks. I don't wanna be
down here all day. Place gives me
the creeps.

DEREK
What, you've never seen a dead
person before? What about that
story we did on the morgue last
year?

JANICE (OS)
That was before the contamination.
We could cover them up...slide 'em
back into the wall. But this...?

CHARLES
I don't blame her. There's just so
many. And seeing so manhy dead
children. Man, that's what gets me.

(beat)
Ok I'm dressed. You ready Derek?

DEREK
Soon as I adjust my oxygen.

EXT. ABANDONED NEWS VAN DOWNTOWN L.A. POV - DAY

Derek and Charles exit the News Van. Camera maintains POV as it follows Derek and Charles into the street.

Derek is holding a sound boom.

Charles is holding a microphone.

JANICE (OS)
Ok. Lets see if anyone is still
breathing in the library.

EXT. CITY LIBRARY DOWNTOWN L.A. POV - DAY

POV camera follows Derek and Charles across the street, past cars and trucks with dead drivers and passengers, and up the steps to the City Library.

INT. CITY LIBRARY LOWNTOWN L.A. POV - DAY

Camera follows Derek and Charles POV as they enter the City Library. Rows of tables. Dead college-age students all slumped over the tables. Newspapers, folders, files and books are scattered all about.

Derek picks up a book, leafs through it.

DEREK
Janice, get a good shot of this
book. Lets see what they were
reading before they died.

INT. CITY LIBRARY LOWNTOWN L.A. DAY

as Janice brings the POV camera full focus and holds on the book cover that reads: ON THE BEACH by Nevil Shute.

JANICE (OS)
Damn!

THE END