

(Your Lying)

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FADE IN:

1 EXT. SMALL FARM TOWN-DAY 1

Downtown main street, people walking on the sidewalk past a diner, grocery store, police station cars driving by.

2 EXT. FRONT OF POLICE STATION-DAY 2

Sheriff looks around and sees a person walking by.

Sheriff does a head-nod.

TOWNSMAN

Hey Sheriff, how you doing today?

SHERIFF

Doing good, doing good, wonderful day so far.

3 INT. INSIDE THE SHERIFFS TRUCK-DAY 3

Sheriff gets in his police truck and pulls out of the driveway in reverse looks in rear view mirror slams on his brakes. TIRES SCREECH nearly hitting DWAYNE HILLER a teenage farm boy dressed in baggy overalls and a shirt.

Sheriff puts the car in park and sticks his head out of the window.

SHERIFF

(Yelling)

Dwayne, you need to watch out! I nearly ran you over!

Dwayne steps closer to the street and continues walking past the driveway.

DWAYNE HILLER

(low mumbling voice)

Sorry Sheriff was in my own world.

Dwayne continues walking down the sidewalk and the Sheriff pulls out of the driveway and drives off.

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5 EXT. BEHIND A CONVENIENCE STORE-EVENING 5

Dwayne looks around to see if anyone is watching him.  
He pulls out a ski mask puts it over his head.  
He walks around the corner.

6 EXT. CONVENIENCE STORES SLIDING DOORS-EVENING 6

Dwayne walks into the store and a few moments go by. Dwayne comes running out of the store with a grocery bag. The store Clerk CLAY JACKSON comes running out after him but cannot keep up.

7 INT. INSIDE CONVENIENCE STORE- EVENING 7

Clay grabs a phone from under the counter.  
Holding the receiver in his hand, he presses the buttons on the phone  
He places the phone to his ear and you can hear the phone ringing.

SHERIFF (V.O.)  
Sheriffs department.

CLAY JACKSON  
Hey Sheriff, this is Clay down at the store.

SHERIFF (V.O.)  
Howdy Clay, what's going on?

CLAY  
I need to report an incident with Dwayne Hiller.

SHERIFF (V.O.)  
(lets out a deep sigh)  
Oh yeah, what happen' this time?

CLAY  
Well I was standing at the counter watching TV, you know, watching Dr. Phil, and...

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8 EXT. COUNTRY ROAD-DAY 8

From a distance Sheriff is driving up a dirt road to a farm house in the country.

9 EXT. FRONT OF A COUNTRY STYLE HOME-DAY 9

Sheriff parks the truck and gets out.

Dwayne comes out of the front door and greets the Sheriff.

DWAYNE HILLER

Hey Sheriff my ma's isn't home  
right now.

Sheriff walks to the door where Dwayne is standing.

Sheriff is at front door, leans forward, and pulls down a pair of glasses he is wearing towards the tip of his nose to show his eyes.

SHERIFF

That's OK Dwayne, I'm here to see  
you.

Dwayne steps back closer to the door.

DWAYNE HILLER

(scared look)

Why?

SHERIFF

What were you doing downtown  
yesterday?

DWAYNE HILLER

I was just picking up something's  
for my ma's. Why?

Sheriff starts walking towards the truck, opens up the back door with one hand on the door, and points with the other hand to the back seat of the police truck.

SHERIFF

Good question Dwayne, that's kinda  
why we need to go for a little  
ride.

Dwayne starts to walk towards the truck, very slow, placing one hand in his pocket and pointing to the house.

DWAYNE HILLER

I have a-a-a lot of chores to  
finish inside before my ma's gets  
home from work.

Sheriff leans more on the door of the truck arm stretched  
out.

SHERIFF

It's OK I spoke to your mom and she  
thought it would be nice for you to  
come with me down to the station.

Dwayne is very frustrated and rolls his eyes shifting his  
head side to side.

DWAYNE HILLER

Fine, whatever.

Dwayne gets in the back seat of the police truck.

Sheriff gets in the front seat of the truck.

10 INT. INSIDE THE SHERIFFS TRUCK-DAY 10

Sheriff looks back at Dwayne.

SHERIFF

(Smiling)

Don't forget to buckle up for  
safety.

Dwayne rolls his eyes and puts the seat belt on.

11 EXT. SIDE VIEW OF THE TRUCK-DAY 11

Sheriff makes a U-turn out of the driveway and drives down  
the driveway to the main road.

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12 EXT. BEHIND THE POLICE STATION-DAY 12

Sheriff gets out of the truck and opens the back door of the  
truck, letting Dwayne out.

Dwayne steps down out of the truck and looks around the  
parking lot.

DWAYNE HILLER  
 What are we doing in the back  
 Sheriff?

SHERIFF  
 Just felt like parking in the back.

Both are walking through the parking lot. Dwayne looks over  
 at the Sheriff as the Sheriff is looking straight forward.

DWAYNE HILLER  
 So, you going to give me a tour of  
 the police station Sheriff?

Sheriff still looking forward.

SHERIFF  
 No. We're going to do something a  
 little different.

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EXT. BACK ENTERANCE OF POLICE STATION - DAY

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Sheriff opens the door to the building and stepping to the  
 side he holds the door open for Dwayne

SHERIFF  
 Ladies first.

Dwayne looks over at the Sheriff confused.

DWAYNE HILLER  
 Sheriff you know I ain't's a lady.  
 Don't cha?

Sheriff places his hands on Dwayne's back pushing him in.  
 Dwayne stumbles forward.

SHERIFF  
 Come on boy, we ain't got all day,  
 move your butt.

Dwayne starts to move forward into the building, looking over  
 at the Sheriff.

DWAYNE HILLER  
 (scared tone)  
 Sheriff I am not liking this, can I  
 just go home?

SHERIFF

(Frustrated voice)

Boy, you need to just move your butt inside before I give you a real reason to be home with your mama.

14 I/E. WALKING THROUGH THE BACK DOOR - DAY

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Dwayne and the Sheriff walk through the back door and start walking down a hall to a room in the back of the police station.

15 INT. POLICE STATION OFFICE - DAY

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Inside the office is a small card table, a chair and deputy RICHARD HEAD connecting wires to a copy machine on top of another table.

SHERIFF

Dwayne, you remember my deputy Richard Head

DWAYNE HILLER

(with a smirk and a chuckle)

Yeah, I remember Dick, I mean Rich.

Richard moves forward and gets in Dwayne's face.

RICHARD HEAD

(angry expression)

Wow, that was funny. Let's see how funny you are when we're done with this little test.

Dwayne looks over at the sheriff.

DWAYNE HILLER

(looking confused)

What is he talking about?

SHERIFF

Well it is more of a game than a test. Kinda like 20 questions, you like games right Dwayne?

DWAYNE HILLER

(looking confused)

Sometimes, sir.

RICHARD HEAD

Oh now look, he is mister manners  
now. Boy, sit down.

Richard kicks a chair and points to it. Dwayne Hiller sits down in the chair and looks behind him, giving Richard a dirty look. Richard turns around and faces the copy machine. He starts working on the copy machine again, adding more wires to it.

Dwayne, still looking behind him at Richard, turns toward the Sheriff. Dwayne points at the wires.

DWAYNE HILLER

(scared and confused look)

What are those for and what is that  
machine?

Richard looks at Dwayne with an evil grin and continues pulling out cables and a colander. Richard starts to attach the cables to the colander.

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INT. OFFICE -DAY

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On a desk a phone rings. Dwayne's MOTHER is sitting at a desk looking at some papers, she picks up the phone.

MOTHER

Hello.

SHERIFF (V.O.)

Miss Hiller?

MOTHER

(frustrated look)

Yes, Sheriff what did Dwayne do  
this time?

Mother places the papers down leans back in the chair looking up at the ceiling.

SHERIFF (V.O.)

Well, as you already know, I am  
calling about him. I think I have  
an idea, but just need to have your  
approval.

Leaning forward in her chair eyes forward.

MOTHER

What is your idea?

SHERIFF (V.O.)

Well you know how the boy has been lying a lot. I think we have something that will set him straight.

MOTHER

Oh yeah, what is that?

SHERIFF (V.O.)

You're just going to have to trust me on this one. I have a few questions that I will need you to answer to help me out.

MOTHER

OK, as long as it will get my boy on the right track.

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INT. POLICE STATION OFFICE- DAY

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Richard takes the colander and places it on Dwayne's head. Dwayne looks up at the colander.

DWAYNE HILLER

(confused look)

This can't be legal. Don't I get a lawyer?

RICHARD HEAD

Why did you do something wrong?

DWAYNE HILLER

No!

Sheriff steps next to Dwayne and assists Richard attaching the cables to the colander. They start to adjust the colander on Dwayne's head. Dwayne reaches his hands up to adjust the colander and his hands are slapped by Richard Head.

RICHARD HEAD

Boy, this is some highly sensitive equipment to have your dirty little hands on it.

DWAYNE HILLER

Man Dick, why you always got to be picking on me?

RICHARD HEAD

Because I am getting tired of seeing you. Not only am I tired of seeing you, but I am also tired of smelling you.

Dwayne lifts up one of his arms and smells his armpit.

DWAYNE HILLER

(under his breath)

I don't smell...

While the Sheriff and Dwayne are looking at each other Richard quietly slips a piece of paper under the lid of copy machine.

SHERIFF

Dwayne, you smell like Copenhagen, foot, and ass. When was the last time you showered?

Dwayne slams his hands on the table.

DWAYNE HILLER

I'm not even going to answer that question.

Richard, placing one hand on Dwayne's shoulder, leans in towards his ear.

RICHARD HEAD

(Whispering)

Boy, first off you need not to get all rowdy. Second, you will answer the questions we ask you and this machine back here will tell us if you're lying.

Richard straightens up and both Dwayne and Richard look over at the Sheriff

SHERIFF

Well Dwayne, I am waiting, when was the last time you took a shower?

DWAYNE HILLER

I took one this morning.

Richard pushes a button on the machine and a piece of paper comes out with the words in big bold letters "YOU'RE LYING".

Dwayne moves his head back and forth from the Sheriff to Richard in confusion.

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

I am not lying! There is no way that machine knows what I am telling.

Sheriff places his hands on the table and leans forward.

SHERIFF

Like the good old deputy here told you, this is some highly sensitive equipment. We got it from Taiwan. They use it in the military to interrogate prisoners. Now you're not telling me the government is using crappy equipment are you?

Richard tries holding in his laughter.

DWAYNE HILLER

No sir, that is not what I am trying to say, but how does that thing know?

Sheriff straightens up and placing both hands in the air.

SHERIFF

Well, if we knew that we would be millionaires and not spending our day talking to you.

Sheriff places his hands back on the table.

SHERIFF (CONT'D)

So, if I understand you correctly, you're lying and you did not take a shower today?

DWAYNE HILLER

No sir, I did not take a shower today. I was meaning to like my ma's told me to, but I started playing video games.

Dwayne looks down at the table shaking his head in disbelief.

SHERIFF

OK, so question number two. Do you like girls?

Dwayne's eyes get real big and he looks up at the Sheriff

DWAYNE HILLER

Come on Sheriff, you know I do!

All of them look over at the machine and Richard fakes as if he pushes the button. Nothing happens.

SHERIFF

Do you have a girlfriend?

DWAYNE HILLER

(Big smile)

You know I do, lots of them. The ladies love me.

Richard pushes the button on the machine and another paper comes out "YOU'RE LYING".

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

OK, maybe not a lot but I do have one.

SHERIFF

Really what's her name?

DWAYNE HILLER

Evelyn.

Richard pushes the button on the machine another paper comes out "YOU'RE LYING".

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

Really I do, I do have one and her name is Evelyn.

SHERIFF

Does she know she is your girlfriend?

DWAYNE HILLER

Well, not yet, but she will!

Richard cannot contain his laughter anymore and starts laughing.

RICHARD HEAD

Man someone has got to teach you about the birds and the bees.

DWAYNE HILLER

I like girls not animals! I don't care what people say, I don't touch animals!

Richard, still laughing uncontrollably, pushes the button on the machine and the paper comes out "YOU'RE LYING". Sheriff looks over at Richard with a dirty look and Richard is holding his stomach, hunched over laughing.

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

That thing's lying, I do not have sex with animals!

Sheriff looks at Richard and Richard puts his hand to his mouth, shaking the other one, giving the impression he is sorry.

SHERIFF

We know Dwayne. That was not what the question was meant to be. You like animals meaning you care for them isn't that right! You do care for them?

DWAYNE HILLER

Yes sir, I do care for them.

Richard is still laughing and Sheriff looks at Richard

SHERIFF

Richard you want to control yourself?!?!?

Richard stops laughing and has a serious look on his face.

SHERIFF (CONT'D)

Alright, let's get to the real questions. Dwayne, tell me what you were doing at the convenience store last night.

Dwayne takes in a deep breath and looks up at the ceiling. Waiting a few moments, he brings his head forward and looks at the Sheriff.

SHERIFF (CONT'D)

Come on Dwayne, answer the question. Stalling is not going to help you trick the system and we don't have all day.

Dwayne runs his hands across the table as if he was dusting it off.

DWAYNE HILLER

Well, I was walking downtown and I felt like getting something to drink. I said Hi to Clay when I entered, went to the back fridge, and got a drink when this guy in a ski mask came in and held up the place.

Richard pushes the button on the machine and a paper comes out "YOU'RE LYING"

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

OK, I went in to the store and did not say HI to Clay. I just went to the back and...

Richard pushes the button again and paper comes out "YOU'RE LYING"

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

I didn't go to the back, I sat at the counter and was talking to Clay

RICHARD HEAD

Boy, is this going to be nothing but lies? You are cutting into our paper budget.

DWAYNE HILLER

I am trying to tell you what happened! It's that machine, it's broken

Sheriff looks at Richard then at Dwayne.

SHERIFF

Dwayne, I don't think the machine is broken. I think something is broken in your head. How many times did your mama drop you when you were a kid?

DWAYNE HILLER

Just once Sheriff, you know that.

All of them let out a laugh.

SHERIFF

Come on Dwayne, tell us the truth. What happened?

Dwayne shakes his head up and down in the yes motion and bites his bottom lip.

DWAYNE HILLER

Alright, I was on my way to the store to pick up some groceries my ma's called in, but forgot to see if she left me some monies on the counter.

Dwayne rubs his face with both hands and places them back on the table.

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

So when I go to the store I didn't know what to do. I had my ski mask in my pocket and put it on ran into the store and grabbed the first grocery bag I saw.

Richard fakes like he pushes the button and nothing happens.

SHERIFF

Why didn't you just go back home or call your mom and let her know?

Dwayne slumps down in his chair.

DWAYNE HILLER

(sad depressed look)

Sheriff, I have been screwing up so bad lately I didn't want to disappoint my ma's anymore.

RICHARD HEAD

Oh wow, and this is much better, sitting here in the police station for robing a place.

Dwayne looks at Richard like he is about to cry.

DWAYNE HILLER

It's not like that, I was going to go back and pay...

Dwayne looks back at the Sheriff.

SHERIFF

Well then why did you put on the ski mask?

DWAYNE HILLER

I didn't.

SHERIFF

You just told us you did.

DWAYNE HILLER

(Anger)

No I didn't!

Richard pushes the button and there is a paper jam and nothing comes out.

Richard and the Sheriff look at each other with a panicked look. Richard looks back at the machine to try and see what happened.

DWAYNE HILLER (CONT'D)

See, I told you the machine is broken! I have been telling the truth!

SHERIFF

Well, we know you haven't, and we are just going to book you. Since you cannot tell us the truth you get one phone call.

Richard grabs Dwayne by his arms, lifts him out of the chair, and handcuffs him. Dwayne looks at Richard and Sheriff.

DWAYNE HILLER

Fine, that is not what happened. I ran in and grabbed a bag with a ski mask on and ran out of the store. I wanted to tell my friends I robbed the place.

RICHARD HEAD

Dwayne, you have no friends. All you do is lie and don't no one like a liar.

Richard walks Dwayne towards the door.

SHERIFF

Richard, hold up. Take off the handcuffs.

RICHARD HEAD

Come on Sheriff, you're not going to let this thug go are you?

SHERIFF

The boy told the truth, and the truth shall set you free.

Richard pulls the keys from his pocket and unlocks the handcuffs.

RICHARD HEAD

You have got to be shitting me.

Sheriff starts laughing, grabs Dwayne by the arm, and walks through the door.

SHERIFF

Come on Boy, let's get you to your  
mom so she could whip your butt.

DWAYNE HILLER

Come on Sheriff, can't I just stay  
here?

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INT. POLICE STATION HALLWAY-DAY

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As they come out of the office BILL JOHNSON is walking down  
the hallway in a white shirt, tie, and black slacks carrying  
a briefcase.

Bill is standing in front of the Sheriff, Dwayne, and  
Richard.

SHERIFF

Hey Bill, what are you doing here?

BILL JOHNSON

I got a call from Richard  
yesterday. He asked me to come down  
and fix the copy machine in that  
office. He said it was jamming on  
you guys.

Dwayne looks over at the Sheriff with his mouth open in  
disbelief and the Sheriff looks over at Dwayne with a smile.

FADE OUT.

THE END