

Mr. Sunshine 1/10/2010

HEATHER - Sc 1

BEN

Oh, so you actually are... the resident Buddhist... expert.

ALONZO

Happy Birthday, Ben.

BEN

Hey, thanks.

Alonzo turns and walks away. Ben watches him.

BEN (CONT'D)

Man, I hate that guy.

Ben continues to his office where his assistant Heather (21, pretty, sweet, Ben is terrified of her) sits at her desk.

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BEN (CONT'D)

(extremely cautious)

Good morning, Heather.

HEATHER

Good morning.

BEN

Hey, could you do me a favor and find out who the hell put "Happy Birthday Ben" up on the scoreboard?

HEATHER

I did.

BEN

(brightly)

Well, I love it. I'll tell you why I love it. Because it creates a sense of family. A family that loves each other and would never do anything to hurt each other.

Ben turns to leave.

HEATHER

Oh, hey, Ben!

BEN

(terrified)

What?! Jeez! What?

HEATHER

There's a guy in your office, and he's gorgeous.

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BEN

Okay, great. Just stay there and... just stay there.

INT. BEN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

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Ben enters to find Roman (30, sweet-faced, chubby, clueless), sitting behind Ben's desk. Ben see he's not gorgeous.

BEN

(puzzled)

Hi. Was somebody else in here with you?

ROMAN

No.

Ben studies Roman's face for a long time. He looks back at Heather's office, looks again at Roman. Pauses and then:

BEN

Okay. My name's Ben.

ROMAN

I'm Roman.

BEN

So, you're Crystal's son. That must be terrible for you.

ROMAN

Yeah, it has not been fantastic.

BEN

Okay, so we have to find you a job. Tell me a little about yourself. What are your interests? What are your skills?

ROMAN

Well, I like boats and how they float on the ocean. And the mafia. I like mafia movies. And as for skills..

Roman thinks about it for an interminable beat, then:

BEN

Okay, well, we're all fortunate to work in a first class entertainment facility.

Just then a piece of ceiling falls to the ground.

BEN (CONT'D)

Did you see that?

HEATHER - Sc. 2

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INT. OFFICE BULLPEN - DAY

Ben crosses to Heather's desk.

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HEATHER
Good morning, sir.

BEN
You don't have to call me sir.

HEATHER
I do that because you are much, much older than I am.

BEN
Right, no. I understand. Any messages?

HEATHER
Um, yes. Stephanie called... Jennifer called... and someone referring to themselves simply as "some girl" called.

BEN
Thank you. How are you feeling today? Good? Angry about anything?

HEATHER
I'm fine. I would like you to introduce me to Roman as soon as possible.

BEN
Yes, I know that. Why? What is that?

HEATHER
Well, he's gorgeous, obviously.

BEN
Right...

HEATHER
And I just want to find out what he's all about.

BEN
I think that'll be a very brief conversation.

HEATHER
But you'll set it up.

BEN
Yes.

