Let's Go Camping

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JACK, and optimistic 20-something, sits inside a shabbily constructed tent with DEV(Devon), also in his 20's but more down to Earth. The tent sits just a few hundred feet away from a main road.

**JACK** 

Man, this is great, huh? Just you and me and the great outdoors!

Dev looks out of the space in the mostly zipped up tent door and can see cars driving by not too far off.

DEV

Uh, yea man. It's nice to be outside.

JACK

(inhaling and exhaling deeply)
You can just smell how much cleaner
the air is out here, I swear.

DEV

Kinda smells like diesel.

JACK

Eh, everything does these days.

DEV

Huh?

JACK

(ignoring Dev)

So, what do you wanna do first? Food? Or games?

Jack hold up a bag of hotdogs in one hand and a bag of checkers in the other.

DEV

Are those checkers? Where's the board?

JACK

Oh, I lost it like forever ago. I figured we could go old school and just draw lines in the dirt. Pioneer style!

DEV

But we're in the tent.

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**JACK** 

We can just move some leaves and play over there, I dunno.

DEV

Whatever, man, screw that, I'm starving. Let's get this fire going.

**JACK** 

Yea...you actually can't have fires here. Too close to the trees. We'll get a huge fine and I am in no position to be handing my money over to some firefighter givin' me guff.

DEV

What? Why would you- you know what, never mind. I don't even care just give me the God damn hot dogs.

**JACK** 

Yes, sir.

Jack tosses the bag of hot dogs over to Dev.

DEV

Dude, why are these frozen?

**JACK** 

Uh, maybe cuz they were in the freezer? Think much?

DEV

Yea, no shit. I mean how are we supposed to eat them without a fire?

JACK

Well, they were supposed to be thawed out by the time we got here. That's why I asked if you wanted to play a game while we waited.

DEV

You didn't say they were still frozen! I'm starving man! Jesus, just give the buns I need something in my stomach.

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**JACK** 

I thought you brought the buns.

DEV

I swear to God, Jack. If you're telling me right now that you didn't even bring buns I'm going to lose my God damn mind.

**JACK** 

I...

Dev looks at Jack intensely. His eyes daring Jack to upset him.

JACK (CONT'D)

I...forgot the buns.

DEV

(shaking with rage)

I'm leaving.

Dev tries to unzip the tent to get out but it's stuck.

**JACK** 

Aw, come on, man. Where are you going?

DEV

I'm going home, Jack! I didn't come out here to play in the dirt and suck on frozen hot dogs with you!

**JACK** 

But we're camping! I thought we were just gonna rough it, ya know?

DEV

We're right next to the God damn highway, Jack! I can practically see our house from here!

The wind outside starts to pick up and becomes louder. Dev gets the zipper unstuck but in the wrong direction, closing it and is unable to open it again.

DEV (CONT'D)

Dammit! What is wrong with this thing?

The tent starts flapping and shaking like crazy.

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**JACK** 

Whoa, what the hell? Is that rain?

DEV

Rain? This feels like a hurricane, dude!

The flapping dies down and everything becomes silent. A low hum is coming from outside and is growing in intensity.

The tent suddenly bends up around the guys like it's being pulled up from the top. The sides bend inward causing the guys to roll into the middle on top of each other.

DEV (CONT'D)

Oh, fuck!

**JACK** 

Ah, shit! Dev! It's the big one! California's breaking off! My mom warned me about this when I was a kid!

DEV

Get off me! It's not an Earthquake! Get your knee off my dick!

JACK

It's happening, Dev! It's
happening! Hold me!

DEV

Ow! Shit!

The humming goes even more intense and a bright white light slowly engulfs the scene. Both guys start screaming.

JACK AND DEV

Aaahh!!

(Dev only) My diiiii...!!

The scene fades to white.

INT. OFFICE - DAY

The white fades away and shows the tent in a pile on an office floor with the guys still underneath holding each other screaming.

JACK AND DEV

Aaahh!!

(Dev only) ...iiiiick!!

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Their screams subside as they realize everything has stopped.

JACK

Wait, wait! I think it stopped. Dev?

DEV

I know. Now get off me. Shit, that hurts.

They to to untangle themselves from the tent and finally find a hole to crawl out of. A voice speaks to them from the opposite side of the room.

The voice belongs to PROZAK-323, an alien abductee intact officer who looks like an overweight middle-aged man with a bad comb over and glasses. His eyes are on some paperwork he's mindlessly filling out.

PROZAK-323

Finally awake, I see.

JACK AND DEV

Oh, shit!

Jack and Dev try to scurry backwards but are still semi-tangled in the tent.

Prozak-323 picks up a laminated sheet and reads from it verbatim, still not looking at the guys.

PROZAK-323

"We mean you no harm. We come in peace. Take me to your lea-" oh... sorry, wrong one. That's invasion. Silly me.

Prozak-323 rummages around his desk and finds the right sheet under some junk food trash. Jack and Dev are very confused.

PROZAK-323 (CONT'D)

Here we go. "We come in peace. We mean you no harm. You'll be home soon."

DEV

Dude, what? Who the hell are you? How did we get here?

Prozak-323 sighs like he's annoyed with the question, but answers as he continues filling out forms.

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PROZAK-323

My name is Prozak-323, your intake officer. This is a standard E-3 abduction and you two are next to be processed, analyzed, and sent on your merry way. Understand?

JACK

Prozac? Are you depressed?

DEV

Abduction? Like aliens or something? You don't even have green skin or antennas or none of that shit, man. The hell are you talking about?

PROZAK-323

I assure you, I am an alien, and this is an abduction. I'd say don't judge a book by its cover, but honestly, those kinds of stereotypes are what's been keeping us in business for so long. No one ever suspects a thing, so thank you.

DEV

This is crazy. How were we abducted? We're in an office, bro.

PROZAK-323

Yes, we are. And where were you a minute ago?

JACK

Oh, I know! The woods! We were in the woods!

PROZAK-323

Yes, Jack, good. You were in the woods. And how do you think you got here?

**JACK** 

Because...you abducted us!

Prozak-323 nods.

DEV

(to Jack)

What are you doing?

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**JACK** 

I dunno, I'm scared. I just want to help. Does that help?

DEV

(to Prozak)

Listen buddy, I don't know what kind of crazy shit you're talking about, but whatever you did, just un-do it, alright? We gotta get back.

PROZAK-323

Back to camping? That was quite the party. You must still be starving, Devon. Why don't you have a hot dog? They should be thawed out by now.

DEV

How do you...

Jack picks up the hot dog bag, pulls one out, and takes a bite.

JACK

Yea, he's right, good to go. You still want one?

Dev knocks the bag out of Jack's hand.

DEV

(to Prozak)

I swear to god, if you don't send us back right now!

PROZAK-323

(rolling his eyes)

Meezus Chreestula, do you want proof too?

DEV

Proof? Of what? That you're some kind of alien? Bullshit!

Prozak-323 reluctantly takes his glasses off, gets out of his chair, and walks around the desk.

PROZAK-323

Yes, proof. Every single one of you aaalways wants proof. I swear, everyone's a cynic these days. Used to be, you'd send up some

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PROZAK-323 (cont'd) mud-covered ingrate from their little cave and they'd worship you like a god. But nooo, now everyone has a plastic square in their pocket telling them that nothing is real. So annoying. Oh, and by the

way, those little squares that you talk to your little boyfriends on all the time, well, that's our wheel, okay? Our wheel, dammit!

**JACK** 

You guys have square wheels? Is that why you're so angry? Cuz it took you so long to get here?

DEV

Ha! Nice.

Jack and Dev fist bump.

PROZAK-323

Step back, you degenerates. I'm going to show you my true form so you'll finally understand.

DEV

Please don't show us your dick.

PROZAK-323

You want proof, yes? Watch.

Prozak-323 takes a few deep breaths and grunts like he's taking a big shit. Nothing happens and he just gets out of breath.

**JACK** 

You okay, bud?

DEV

Yea, man, it looks like you're trying to do one of two things and I can't tell which is going to be grosser.

PROZAK-323

Quiet! I need to concentrate. I can't do it with people watching.

Prozac-323 continues to clench and grunt with nothing happening.

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DEV

Um, hey man, we get it. We don't need proof, okay? We believe you. I think we're just gonna go, though.

**JACK** 

Yea, sorry we couldn't help with the uh...ya know, thing you're doin'.

Jack and Dev walk up to get past Prozak-323.

DEV

Just gonna sneak right past ya there.

As the guys walk up, Prozac-323 turns into his original monstrous form. We don't see him transform, but we hear the disturbing crunching and ripping noises his body makes as he does.

Prozac-323's shadow grows and casts over both Jack and Dev as they scream utter terror and grab hold of each other as Prozac-323 makes hellish noises at them.

JACK AND DEV

AAAHHHH!!!

DEV

What the fuuuuuuck!!

Prozak-323 crunches back into his human form and puts his glasses back on. He takes a sip from his coffee cup.

Jack and Dev have both fallen backwards.

DEV (CONT'D)

It's real, dude! It's real! Holy
shit!

JACK

(laughing and clapping)
Hahaaa! That was crazy! Do it
again! Do it again!

DEV

What?? What are you talking about?? We gotta get the hell outta here!

**JACK** 

Dude, calm down! He's fine now. I mean, I gotta admit, I didn't really believe the whole alien (MORE)

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JACK (cont'd)

thing, but God damn! That was insane! You were huge, dude!

PROZAK-323

Thank you. I work out, but just like, twice a week.

Dev is still mortified and pretty shook up.

DEV

We gotta get outta here. We gotta go!

PROZAK-323

That's perfectly fine. I told you, once we get you processed, you'll be on your way.

**JACK** 

I think I'd do what he says, man. Did you see those teeth?

DEV

What's that say?? That sign!

Dev points to a sign hanging over the main doorway . It says, in huge block letters, ANAL EXAMINATION AND PROCESSING.

Under that in smaller letters, PROBES, ETC.

PROZAK-323

That's just our processing center. We may not have green skin or antennas, but orifice probing is a very basic and efficient means of examining all kinds of different species. This method is used all throughout the galaxy. It's not just us, you know.

Dev is starting to hyperventilate while Jack seems calm and interested in what Prozak-323 is saying.

**JACK** 

What do you examine, ya know, up there?

PROZAK-323

Well, all kinds of stuff, really. Height, weight, blood pressure, how to make individualized immunities (MORE)

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PROZAK-323 (cont'd)

for a person's biological dispositions towards certain diseases and genetic ailments, hair color, true sexual identity, favorite food. Ya know, the list goes on, I mean, you should see what's going on in the main Zargon sector. The Legion of Bizznoids can tell a specimin's exact date and time of death just by looking at its anus. I swear, those guys are really ahead of the curve.

**JACK** 

You know my favorite food?

PROZAK-323

(eying Jack's ass)

Not yet we don't.

JACK

(jokingly)

Heeeey, alright Mr. Sneak-a-Peak. I'm watching you!

PROZAK-323

(smirking)

You better.

Dev is still trying to cope with reality.

DEV

Dude, we need to leave. NOW.

JACK

Calm down, Dev. We're gonna be fine.

PROZAK-323

Ya know, you guys seem alright. Why don't you take a seat over here and I'll make a quick call, get this whole shebang over with.

JACK

That'd be great, man. We really gotta get back. We were right about to start a real intense game.

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PROZAK-323

Don't you mean, in tents?

JACK

Haha! Yes! But, actually I kinda lost the board so-

PROZAK-323

Checkers in the dirt, right?

**JACK** 

This guy! You should come play!

PROZAK-323

Ya know, I've always wanted to learn, but you know how it is with work and everything. Bosses, am I right?

**JACK** 

So true. So, so true. Alright then, so what now?

PROZAK-323

Well, we just gotta get you two inside here, so we can, ya know, get inside there.

Prozak-323 points down to the Jack's crotch area.

**JACK** 

Aw, man. I forgot about that.

DEV

Dude! He's going to rape us! We gotta go!

Dev starts to try to find a way out of the window, but it's sealed.

PROZAK-323

(to Jack)

Listen, don't worry. Probing is no big thing. A little lube, a little pressure, and Bob's your uncle. No biggie. Some people enjoy it, actually. Sometimes maybe too much...

Jack looks reluctantly turned on.

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PROZAK-323 (CONT'D)

You on the other hand...

Prozak-323 walks over to Dev who is still frantically trying to escape. Prozak-323 puts a hand on Dev's shoulder and he slowly starts to calm down.

PROZAK-323 (CONT'D)

Come, Devon. This isn't what you think. Everything will be okay.

**JACK** 

Yea, man. It's just like a quick butt plug or something, don't be so close-minded.

PROZAK-323

True, but I think our friend Devon here might be more of an "Etcetera" type of patient.

The sign is shown again. ANAL EXAMINATION AND PROCESSING: PROBES, ETC.

Prozak-323 winks at Jack who doesn't know what to make of it.

PROZAK-323

Anyways, you guys ready?

**JACK** 

Um...Dev?

DEV

It's not real...it's not real....

PROZAK-323

Oh, don't worry. You won't remember any of this. It'll be like that movie, what's it called? The Blackness of Man?

A UNNECESSARILY LOUD AND AGGRESSIVE VOICE comes over a P.A. system.

VOICE

ANAL EXCAVATION SYSTEMS READY AND AWAITING BOWEL SCRUTINIZATION AND JUDGEMENT.

JACK

Um...I dunno, man, I might be having second thoughts- ow!

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Prozak-323 sticks both Jack and Dev with needles at the same time.

PROZAK-323

It's all okay. Sleep now. Forget this ever happened. Just like the Blackness of Man.

Dev tries to swing a punch, but the sedative takes effect immediately and he falls to the ground. Jack also gets woozy.

DEV

Geehh...

**JACK** 

Dude...you can't...say that...they were just...men...n'black... not like...man...with blackness...not that that's...like bad...but like...fuckin'... fuckin' fresh prince man...

Jack falls to the ground. Prozak-323 sighs and grabs each of them by a leg and pulls them towards the door.

EXT. WOODS - SUNSET

The guys wake up on the ground outside the now fully constructed tent. They both are missing their pants.

DEV

Ah, shit. What happened?

JACK

I dunno. Where are my pants?

DEV

Where are my pants?

**JACK** 

Shit. We must've drank so much. I can't remember anything.

DEV

Me either. What the hell did we do?

JACK

Not...sure. I am feeling a lot of pain, though.

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DEV

Same.

Both are starting to feel the pain in their stomachs and asses.

JACK

Does your...uh, ass feel alright?

DEV

It's fine. I mean, it's-shit.

Dev winces in pain.

**JACK** 

You don't think...like, we...

DEV

What? No way!

JACK

I'm just sayin'! Neither of us remember, right?

DEV

Right. But there's no way it was that.

JACK

Alright. Yea... yea, you're right. Totally. Totally right. That's crazy. Heh.

DEV

Can we just go home?

**JACK** 

Yes.

The guys start walking home.

DEV

Should we take the tent?

**JACK** 

Leave it.

The guys walk for a beat, limping and both holding their asses.

DEV

Weird question, but do you want to watch Men in Black when we get home?

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JACK

For some reason, that's the only thing I actually do feel like doing right now.

DEV

Cool.

The guys walk on through the woods as the sun sets.