

Season 3: Episode 8

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FADE IN

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

TUSS and JULIE sit on the couch. They are twenty somethings, dressed like hipsters.

TUSS  
When were you going to tell me?

JULIE  
I don't know.

TUSS  
Ever?

JULIE  
Yes, of course. It just happened.

TUSS  
I don't understand how something like this can just happen. There had to be some kind of premeditated thought.

JULIE  
There wasn't! I promise!

Tuss looks defeated.

TUSS  
I don't know what to do. What am I supposed to do? I've never been in this situation before.

JULIE  
I don't know what to say.

TUSS  
Me either.

JULIE  
I'm sorry. That's all I can say.  
I'm sorry.

TUSS  
(explosive)  
Sorry doesn't buy me a new pair of slacks! You shrunk them so much they look like baby pants!

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JULIE  
(firing back)  
You should be doing your own  
laundry! What's the matter with  
you!?

TUSS  
Me!? You've ruined my life! I  
trusted you!

OPENING CREDITS

INT. COFFEE SHOP - DAY

Tuss and Julie walk into a coffee shop. HARRY and YOLO see them coming. Harry is a gruff looking fellow while Yolo is petite and Asian. Tuss and Julie sit down.

HARRY  
How are you guys?

TUSS  
(disgruntled)  
Never been better.

JULIE  
(rolling her eyes)  
Tuss is having trust issues again.

HARRY  
Tuss, c'mon man. What's wrong now?

TUSS  
(pointing at Julie)  
Why don't you ask the MURDERER!

JULIE  
God, why?

Tuss slams his head onto the table and leaves it there.

JULIE (CONT'D)  
How are you Yoyo?

HARRY  
It's Yolo.

JULIE  
I refuse to call her that.

HARRY  
It's her name.

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JULIE  
Still. Not happening.

YOLO  
Yolo.

JULIE  
Is that still all she can say?

HARRY  
I've taught her a few other phrases.

YOLO  
I make the boom boom!

TUSS  
What is she trying to say?

HARRY  
I really don't know.

JULIE  
How's work, Harry?

HARRY  
Same as always. Work's always the same, life's always the same. That's why I'm so glad to have Yolo in my life.

Harry puts his arm around Yolo. She squeals.

TUSS  
Is she okay?

HARRY  
Yeah, she's just excited. She's always excited to be around me. That's why I love her so much.

JULIE  
You love her? Have you told her that?

HARRY  
Yeah, watch.

Harry turns to face Yolo.

HARRY (CONT'D)  
Honey. I love you.

YOLO

Boom!

TUSS

She's like a parrot.

HARRY

Shut up, man. She's the love of my life. Plus, I don't see you two as happy as we are.

JULIE

You've got us there.

HARRY

We gotta run.

TUSS

Where are you goin?

Harry and Yolo stand up. They're wearing athletic clothing.

HARRY

We've literally gotta run. 5k starts in a few minutes.

JULIE

You guys coming over tonight?

HARRY

Planning on it. Depends how the lady feels.

Yolo is easting garbage out of the trash can.

HARRY (CONT'D)

Hey! C'mon, stop! Come here!

Tuss and Julie look appalled.

INT. GYM - EVENING

Tuss and JAMAL run on treadmills. Tuss flails his arms like a maniac although he's not running fast.

TUSS

I don't know, man. Just kinda feels like it's time for a change. She really broke my heart this morning.

JAMAL

Man, you gotta get over it. Insert generic uplifting phrase spoken by black best friend character here.

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TUSS

Thanks, man. I needed that.

JAMAL

Look, what I'm saying right now isn't necessarily revolutionary, but I'm giving you a fresh perspective on your whole situation.

TUSS

You're right. You're usually right.

JAMAL

Damn straight I'm right! I'm not usually wrong about these things. My character is present just so that you feel like you have options. Which you do. But you've also got to realize the other things that I'm saying.

TUSS

It's a lot to take in. You're a wise man, Fondarius.

JAMAL

My name's Jamal, fool.

Tuss gets off the treadmill.

TUSS

Thanks, Labrunikus.

JAMAL

The fuck?

Tuss leaves.

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Tuss and Julie are setting out snacks and drinks. There's a knock at the door. Julie answers, and Harry and Yolo walk in.

TUSS

Hey guys.

Harry doesn't answer. He looks depressed.

JULIE

What's wrong?

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HARRY

Well, you know how I've been dating  
Yolo for a while?

Yolo is licking the television set.

TUSS

Yeah?

HARRY

Well...turns out. She's not a she.  
He's a he. I mean he's a she. I  
mean him's a her. I mean dude's a  
lady. Whoops. No, SHE is a HE.  
There we go.

JULIE

What?

HARRY

Found out this afternoon.

JULIE

How on earth did you JUST find this  
out?

They all make their way to the sitting area. Yolo is still  
licking the television set in the background.

HARRY

You knew?

TUSS

No, she's saying how did it take  
you this long, ya big dumb stupid  
idiot?

JULIE

Yeah, wouldn't that be something  
you'd find out early on in the  
relationship?

HARRY

Look, I bought her online.

TUSS

You what?

HARRY

Nevermind. The point is, we hadn't  
gotten that far until today. If you  
know what I mean.

(CONTINUED)

TUSS  
And she's definitely a dude?

HARRY  
YES.

JULIE  
Well do you still love her? Him?

HARRY  
That's the thing. I think I do.

JULIE  
Then what's the problem?

Harry ponders for a moment.

HARRY  
Y'know, you're right. What's the  
problem?

Yolo has climbed onto a bookshelf and jumps off across the  
living room.

HARRY (CONT'D)  
I think I do still love him. This  
is weird. I dunno.

TUSS  
No. This is perfect. It's what I've  
been missing.

JULIE  
What?

TUSS  
Julie. I'm sorry I was so upset  
with you! It doesn't matter that  
you shrunk my pants! I still love  
you and accept you for who you are!

Julie looks disgusted at Tuss's simplicity.

HARRY  
That comparison is insulting, Tuss.

TUSS  
Ninety dollar slacks!!

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