

(Snuffy slowly makes his way back to the airport terminal.)

Snuffy: "Oh dear! I just gotta find a way to get to Hawaii! Bird's probably worried sick about me! Oh dear!"

(Just then, Snuffy walks past a man and woman, who stop and turn around to look at the creature that just past them.)

Man: "Great Jumping Jellybeans! Molly, look at that!"

Woman: "Oh goodness! I've NEVER seen a brown elephant before!"

Man: (running to catch Snuffy) "Excuse us! Excuse us, Mr. Elephant!"

Snuffy: (noticing the two people; turning around) "Oh, I'm not an elephant. I'm a Snuffleupagus. It's a common misconception."

Man: "Oh, my apologies. Well, Mr. Snuffleupagus, my name is Derek, and this is my partner, Molly."

Snuffy: "Oh, hi Derek and Molly! It's really nice to meet you!"

Molly: (shaking his snuffle) "Nice to meet you too, Mr. Snuffleupagus! So, what brings such a big fella like you to this airport?"

Snuffy: "Oh, well, I was supposed to get on a plane to Hawaii with my best friend, Bird, and his friends, but I was too late getting here, and my plane took off without me!"

Molly: (gasps) "Oh no! That's bad!"

Snuffy: "Yeah, it is! And I can't pay for a new plane ticket, because I don't have any money! So I don't know what I'm going to do!"

Derek: "Hmmm... That's quite a pickle you got there, Snuff. But you know what?"

Snuffy: "What?"

Derek: "Molly and I might just be able to help you out."

Snuffy: (gasps) "You can?! How?!"

Derek: "Well, as it just so happens, Molly and I were heading off to Hawaii ourselves, and since the three of us are headed in the same direction, why don't we give you a lift?"

Snuffy: (gasps again) “REALLY?! You’d take me to Hawaii?!” (Derek and Molly nod) “Oh boy! This’ll be great! I’ll get to go to Hawaii after all! Where’s your plane?”

Molly: “Oh no, Snuff. We’re not taking a plane, we’re taking a helicopter.”

Snuffy: (confused) “...A heli-what?”

Derek: (laughs) “A helicopter. It’s like a plane, except smaller. Come follow us. We’ll show you.”

Snuffy: “Okay!”

(Snuffy follows Derek and Molly to the left of the screen; Cuts to Derek and Molly’s helicopter and the trio standing in front of it.)

Molly: “Well Snuff, this is our helicopter. Do you like it?”

Snuffy: “Oh yes, I do! But I have a question.”

Derek: “And what question might that be?”

Snuffy: “How does it work?”

Derek: “Ah, that is a great question! Allow us to explain.” (points to the blades on top) “You see those three long things on top? Those are called blades, and they’re what gives a helicopter the ability to fly in the air.”

Snuffy: “How do they do that?”

Molly: “Well, there’s an engine sitting inside the helicopter, and when it’s turned on, it gives power to the blades and makes them spin around really really fast, which causes the machine to levitate off of the ground.” (points to the back) “And see that propeller in the back. That’s called a “tail rotor”, and it helps keep a helicopter balanced when it’s flying, so it can stay on course. Without a tail rotor, our machine would just fly in any direction it pleased.”

Snuffy: “Ohhhhh, that wouldn’t be good, would it?”

Derek: “No, it wouldn’t. You see, helicopters are very different from the jet planes people usually take to get to places. Whereas jet planes can really only fly in a straight line, helicopters can hover around anywhere in the sky.”

Molly: “And instead of using a runway to land, helicopters can land anywhere they want, because instead of wheels, they have these things called “landing skids”, which gives them balance to sit anywhere you want them to.”

Snuffy: "Even in water?"

Molly: "Yep, even in water. At least for two hours."

Derek: (points to the front) "And do you see that area there? That's called the cockpit, and it's where the pilot, that's me, and the co-pilot,"

Molly: (interjecting) "That's me!"

Derek: (continuing) "Sit so we can maneuver our helicopter through the air."

Snuffy: (intrigued) "Ooooh, that sounds fun."

Molly: "It sure is!"

Snuffy: (realizing) "Oh dear, but it looks rather small. Where am I gonna sit? I don't think I can fit in the cockpit!"

Derek: "Ah, don't worry about it, Snuff! You're not sitting in the cockpit! We've got something extra special for you. Molly, get the net."

Molly: "Sure thing, Derek." (goes to the passenger seat to retrieve the net)

Snuffy: "Net? What do you need a net for?"

Derek: "For you, Snuff! We're gonna carry you all the way to Hawaii with our special net."

Snuffy: (gasps) "Really?! Are you sure your helicopter is strong enough to lift me?"

Derek: "Oh, of course! Helicopters can lift things that weigh anywhere from 1,200 to 4,000 pounds. We really only use this net for carrying heavy loads of cargo, but I'm sure it can carry a Snuffleupagus just as well. Now come on, let's get you all hooked up.

Snuffy: (excited) "Oh boy! This is gonna be so exciting! Wait until Bird hears about this!"

(Cuts to a few minutes later where Derek and Molly are sitting in the cockpit, ready for takeoff, after getting Snuffy into the net and securing him into place.)

Derek: (calling out) "Okay, Mr. Snuffleupagus, are you ready?!"

Snuffy: "Yes Derek! I AM ready!"

Derek: (to his co-pilot) "Okay, we are clear for liftoff. Molly, pull the throttle."

Molly: "Roger, captain."

(Molly pulls the throttle, which starts the engine, which causes the blades and tail rotor to slowly start spinning. After a few minutes the blades start spinning faster and faster, which causes the helicopter to slowly lift up into the air.)

Derek: "Next stop: Hawaii!"

(As the helicopter lifts off, the net holding Snuffy lifts up, until it's carrying Snuffy in the air with it.)

Snuffy: "Oh boy! Bird, here I come!"

(And with Derek and Molly's helicopter fully in the air, the three new friends begin their flight to Hawaii, and Big Bird.)

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