

Bizly

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Bizly

And now, on our last episode of Wonderlust, the team followed Grey up into the Harrowed Mountains to the base camp of the Mountaineers, only what they found when they got up there was nothing like they expected. A whole new world of lush greenery in search of this wonderful herb that could possibly save Runt's life. They trekked through the ruins of what seemed like an ancient civilization, discovering artifacts of magical power. Here they also found a Cerberus cub who they kept safe as they pushed forward through the ruins. Eventually, they found this herb they were looking for, guarded by the mother of this cub.

Bizly

Seeing as they protected the cub from harm and returned it to its mother, she allowed them to take the herb and saved them from certain death. And now, my friends, we venture back once again into the world... Of Wonderlust.

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Bizly

A small droplet of water cascades down a green, massive leaf, and it trips onto a tree branch, falls down onto another leaf, and boom, boom, plop. Right onto the nose of Runt, who is looking down at this herb glowing in your hand. You can feel the power emanating from it. You know this won't cure the burning in your lungs, but it may buy you just enough time to do what you need to do.

Grizzly

What's it look like?

Bizly

Glowy and shit? I forgot.

(Laughter)

Bizly

Whatever I said last time.

Grizzly

Runt - Runt just mutters to herself.

Runt

It's... It's... Glowin' instead. It's so beautiful. Just glowing and shit.

Bizly

All those things.

Runt

Wow.

Blink

Have you guys ever seen a blue drink?

Condi

Like, stirring around one of the potions we got yesterday.

Blink

Should I drink it? I'm scared. What if it's poisonous?

Troy

Chug, chug, chug, chug, chug!

Runt

Woah, woah, woah, woah, woah! Woah!

Grizzly

I put the herb in the bag.

Runt

You don't know what that fuckin' does, you're just gonna drink it right now?

Blink

No! Listen, I'm not that impulsive.

Runt

That's like, horribly irresponsible.

Blink

I mean, I guess if Troy wanted to.

Troy

Yeah, I do.

Charlie

I drink it.

(Laughter)

Runt

Chug, chug! Chug, chug, chug, chug!

Charlie

Yeah!!

Condi

One second, I have four potions. I'm going to roll a D4 and see which one I hand.

Charlie

Yeah, just incite me like that, dude.

Condi

Number three. (Laughs)

Bizly

Can you tell me what it is? And I'll-

Condi

Yeah, yeah, I'll just message you. I just rolled it. It's a funny option.

Runt

Chug, chug, chug-

Blink

Chug, I - yeah, chug!

Runt

Chug, chug, chug!

Blink

Yeah! Chug! Chug! Chug!

Bizly

Troy, you pop open the cork on this bottle, and immediately the scent hits your nose. It is a foul odor. As it burns, singes the hairs in your nostrils, you've never been one to shy away from a crowd-chanting chug. So you put it back down into your gullet. It's warm in your belly, and you can feel it kind of churning for a moment, but nothing happens just yet.

Troy

Okay, dude. I mean, that wasn't so bad. Honestly, I didn't even fuckin' feel it.

Blink

How did it taste? I mean, was it good?

Charlie

How did it - How did it taste?

Bizly

Arm pit.

Troy

Dude, it was like a sort of pit punch.

Blink

Like a pit punch?

Troy

Yeah, like a pit punch. Like a punch that tastes sort of like pit. And I don't mean the fun kinda pit where they change the rims of your sled. I'm talkin' stinky, sweaty man, like-

Blink

Like an arm pit is what you're saying.

Troy

Yeah, yeah like - dude, absolutely fucked. Oiled up, like sweaty, gross. Like greasy-

Blink

Okay, so maybe I don't drink-

Troy

Dirty pit, like-

Blink

I'll just hold on to them, I guess. Maybe.

Troy

Day out - y'know, day out at work.

(Laughter)

Blink

Really vivid description here.

Troy

Like, weeks without bathing, like no fuckin' bathing for weeks. Just-

Runt

What do you do in the locker room? Oh my God.

Troy

Dude, it is just guys being guys in there.

Condi

(Laughs)

Troy

Anyway, I feel - I feel fine. So, team huddle, is magic real?

Blink

I don't know. I mean, is this normal up here? I'm assuming no, based on you asking.

Troy

I don't think so. I mean, I didn't even know about all this for sure. I didn't know about any of this at all.

Charlie

Did I know about any of this?

Bizly

Nope.

Troy

I didn't know about any of this.

Bizly

You knew the Wondrous Coal comes from here. That's about it.

Grizzly

Would we even be able to call it magic?

Condi

I mean, magic exi- we know about magic in the real world, but like it's not - we don't have it. Y'know? The concept is there.

Troy

You've never had that thought as a kid of just like, what if I could shoot fuckin' lasers out of my hands and shit?

Blink

Yeah, what if I could like, choke this guy with the air around him?

Troy

Dude, so you also fantasize about killing people with super powers in broad daylight? That's crazy, dude.

Blink

No, I mean, that's just an example.

Troy

Oh, I thought I was really a freak for that. I seriously think about it all the time.

Runt

You're scaring me. Again. Like always.

Blink

Yeah, I think I'm gonna... Let's just move on. Different topic.

Runt

I don't know if you got some dark humor or if you really just go around killin' people all the time.

Blink

Listen, you don't have a great track record.

Troy

I have mostly firsts and a couple of seconds, dude.

Blink

Degree murders??

Charlie

I don't answer.

Blink

What???

Runt

One second. We need to have a separate hurdle real quick. Are we gonna turn him in?

Blink

I mean, does that count as a confession? I mean, we know he killed one person, but that was kind of like self-defense.

Runt

I have it on recordin', I've been recordin' this whole time.

Blink

What??

Runt

Yeah.

Blink

Is this a third-party consent state? Or like-

Runt

We're on a fuckin' mountain right now that doesn't look like to be any state that we belong to.

Blink

You're right. Okay, I just - I don't know how well that recording would hold up in court of law.

Runt

I don't know. I - I'm getting mixed signals. Sometimes he's a really good guy, and he'll give me a coat when I'm cold, and then other times, he'll just admit to killing people all the time.

Troy

You cold, Runt? You cold?

Runt

Sorry. Alright, huddle over.

Troy

What you whispering about?

Runt

What is the forest tellin' you, Troy? We got to go - somewhere.

Charlie

Okay, alright. I'm going to try and tune into the forest and see what it's telling me right now.

Bizly

Roll a Nature check.

Charlie

Dude, it's time to find out if this is a running bit or a one-off. Um...

(Laughter)

Charlie

17.

Bizly

Troy, you lean down to the ground to get a sense of this otherworldly mountain you're on. You hear bugs chirping in the woods around you, scurrying of creatures. You feel everything moving in harmony. As you look down at your hand held against the ground, you see it starts to pulse a little bit? That's weird.

Charlie

My hand or the ground?

Bizly

Yeah, it starts to pulse, your hand. You see the same color liquid from the potion start to move up and around your bones.

Troy

My connection is strengthening.

Bizly

Far away, very distant. You can hear it.

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[echoes] Oo-

Blink

What do you hear, boy?

Charlie

My whole body goes, (briiiiing) and points a certain direction, nose first. I go,

Troy

This way, dudes!

Charlie

And I start running.

Runt

We can I'll talk about the herb later. Come on!

Bizly

You guys notice that as Troy is running away, the steps that he is producing are far louder than before?

Blink

Hey, Troy, you're - you're getting further away.

Runt

Is he also getting bigger a little bit? I mean, um, is he growin'?

Troy

Dude, I'm already huge! What are you talkin' about?

Bizly

Turns around and his head is a little bit bigger.

Runt

No, that's bobblin'. It wasn't bobblin' before.

Bizly

Troy, you're running and it feels like your head is taking up a little more strength to hold up at the moment.

Charlie

Come on, we got to get on. I'm more important than anyone.

Bizly

You're chasing down this sound and you hear,

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(echoed noise)

Troy

Guys, it's like - what is it? Quibble, quibble, quibble, quibble!

(Laughter)

Blink

What are you saying right now?

Grizzly

What is happening to him?

Bizly

You guys are seeing him get bigger.

Charlie

All of me or just or just - am I big head mode?

Bizly

It's like different parts of him at different points are getting bigger.

Charlie

I'm Funko mode.

Blink

Dude, you're a Funko Pop now.

Grizzly

Are we at least getting close enough to the sound to where we can start to hear it, too?

Bizly

Yeah, you guys would actually hear it as well. The-

?

(echoed sound)

Bizly

You guys continue following Troy through the woods, but he's moving at fuckin' break neck speeds. He moves around a tree and a leaf, and you guys lose sight of him for just a second.

Runt

Was it just me or was that sled startin' to look like a fuckin' backpack on him?

Blink

A little bit. (Panting) He's so fast.

Bizly

Troy, you stop here where you think you heard the sound, but there's nothing.

Runt

You need to do more cardio! (Coughs)

Blink

I do plenty of cardio. It's just... (Coughs)

Runt

Look, I'm keepin' up!

Blink

No, you're not. I don't even see him anymore, you're coughing on the ground. Are you sure we should wait on that herb?

Runt

There's so much blood, ough...

Blink

What??

Bizly

Blink the two of you round a corner to see Troy having doubled in size.

Blink

What the fuck?

Runt

Oh my God. Oh my God.

Troy

I thought I heard a sound! Where the fuck is it?

Charlie

And I rip a tree out of the ground.

(Laughter)

Blink

The forest, no!

Runt

Not the forest!!

Bizly

Did you actually rip a tree out of the ground?

Charlie

Oh, shit. No. (Laughs)

Bizly

Okay, okay, okay, good.

Charlie

No. Okay, to be fair, my hands are still so slippery from the potion, so I just kinda start stroking it upwards.

Bizly

Ah- (Laughs)

Troy

Fuck, fuck, fuck, fuck!

Runt

What the fuck are you doin' in the locker room??

Bizly

You guys all hear it now. Muffled this time.

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[muffled] (creature sound)

Blink

What - is that?

Bizly

It's coming from under Troy's foot.

Troy

Where'd that come from?!?

Blink

Troy! Troy! Troy! Troy-

Charlie

I lash out like a Skyrim giant just around me.

Blink

Troy, you got to stop! Stop!

Condi

I put my hands out.

Blink

Uh, there is no logical explanation for any of this!

Blink

I think it's underneath you! And also, I think we need to get off this mountain 'cause I think it made you giant!

Bizly

(Laughs)

Troy

Dude, why are you so fuckin' tiny, bro? (Laughs)

Runt

We - We cannot leave until this is fuckin' fixed.

Troy

I crush da owl- (blows raspberry)

Blink

I think you're standing on the thing that's making the noise, Troy! And also, I want to get off this mountain because what if it's a mountain that makes you old? I don't want to be old.

Runt

What are you talkin' about? You're already old!

Troy

I think you're getting younger, baby bird. Anyway, what's that sound?

Charlie

I'm gonna look down and try to identify it.

Bizly

You to lift up your foot and embedded in the dirt underneath you... Is a little mushroom guy. You see he's got a little head. You see he's got little eyes and a little mouth. And as he looks up at you, he's got these little arms that poke out and he just says,

Mushroom Creature

Grandpa.

Troy

Hi, freak.

(Laughter)

Bizly

He pops up out of the ground and begins waddling his way away.

Troy

I like that thing.

Runt

No fuckin' way. That fuckin' mushroom was talkin'. Oh my fuck.

Bizly

The mushroom stops, turns around and goes to look at you Runt. And he goes,

Mushroom Creature

Grandpa.

Bizly

And puts it's hand on you.

Blink

Wait, did it say grandpa?

Runt

Did you just fuckin' call me grandpa?

Troy

Oh, shit, dude. Maybe it is the forest that makes you old.

Blink

Oh, shit.

Bizly

And you heal...

Grizzly

I heal.

Bizly

4 HP.

Grizzly

Okay. I hope I'm not older, am I?

Mushroom Creature

Grandpa.

Blink

Are you older?

Bizly

No.

Runt

I feel - I'm breathin' a little better. I feel a little like - y'know. My scrapes are closin'. So - stop!
What the fuck did you just do to me?

Bizly

It looks like, kinda scared when you get loud and like - steps back a little.

Runt

No, no, no I'm sorry. Oh my God. Alright, alright, stop. Everyone just like... Sit, sit down for a second.

Bizly

It sits.

Grizzly

I sit.

Bizly

Like, it just kind of plops back.

Troy

Dude, did that thing just heal you? We should keep and milk it.

Blink

Hey, I mean, remember what they said about the forest, okay? I mean... You gotta respect it.
Not step on it.

Troy

Okay, then we respectfully-

Blink

I don't think you're going to respectfully milk it, Troy.

Troy

It's not against the law.

Runt

Technically, we could ask it for consent. Do you want to come with us outside of the mountain?

Mushroom Creature

Grandpa.

Runt

I don't know what that means.

Troy

I don't think it can legally give consent. And if there's one thing I'm not above, it's the law.

(Laughter)

Runt

Even if this all is magic or somethin', there's gotta be a system to it, alright? Nothin' is just created out of nothin'.

Troy

That makes sense.

Blink

Well, maybe it's all around the coal. I mean, it comes from here, right?

Troy

That's a good point. What if because this stuff has grown over the coal, it's imbued with inherent properties of the coal, allowing all of it to be wondrous?

Runt

Did your brain grow as well?

Troy

What? No, he just told me.

Runt

The mushroom told you.

Mushroom Creature

Grandpa.

Troy

They all told me, Runt.

Bizly

You see another little mushroom pop up on Troy's shoulder?

Blink

Like, grow?

Bizly

Another one pops out right next to you and holds onto your arm, starts trying to climb it, Runt.

Mushroom Creatures

Grandpa. Grandpa. Grandpa.

Troy

Perhaps, grandpa, you're so constrained in your thinking scientifically that you refuse to see other viewpoints that could... Logically make sense as well. Perhaps you've trapped yourself in your own box. Now allow yourself to be freed.

Runt

Wait a second... That would explain the power of the wonderous coal. If it all comes from the same place. Troy, is there anywhere up top that produces wonderous coal?

Troy

I do - did I - I don't know.

(Laughter)

Charlie

DM, do I know anywhere that produces wonderous coal?

Bizly

Comes from here.

Troy

Nah, it comes from here. I think da Earth produces it.

Blink

Da Earth...

Bizly

The mountain, specifically.

Troy

Which makes me wonder... I wonder if the coal is even better and richer and cooler... Up dere.

Runt

You mean at the top of the mountain?

Troy

Yeah, I mean, I don't know. You got to wonder if this is only the first part already the mushrooms are calling you grandpa, what sort of wondrous sights would b- would... be held by - be... Oh, my head.

Blink

I think that's a great question, but... Maybe for a different day.

Runt

This could be huge. I mean, like... If we could figure out the source of the wondrous coal here on the mountain, even if it is magic, magic has to have a source of some kind. It has to grow. It has to... The coal, it comes from somewhere. If we could figure that out-

Blink

You're getting ahead of yourself. There's already people who climb this mountain know about the wonderous coal. Surely they've figured out-

Runt

The smartest girl in the world has to climb this fuckin' mountain. Alright?

Blink

Okay, so two days ago, you said-

Runt

Unfortunately, Troy has a point. This place could open my mind to possibilities I didn't even know were possible. And then when we find the end of that, could be the fucking key.

Troy

I'm already intimidated by her Intelligence, so I think we should leave.

(Laughter)

Bizly

All the mushrooms get up and say,

Mushroom Creatures

Grandpa!

Runt

Grandpa!

Bizly

You see all the mushrooms get in a line and there's like fifteen of them now all comin' out the woodwork around you, and they walk in a line.

Troy

Is this startin' to seem like a threat to anyone else?

Runt

We got to follow these mushrooms.

Blink

It is seeming like a little bit of a threat to me.

Troy

Here's another little factoid from ya, from the little Troy pamphlet. Did you know that some of the greatest athletes train at higher altitudes so that their blood... Like the blood vessel - I don't really know, but it's like good for you.

Blink

Thanks, Troy.

Troy

So if we go up there, if we go up to the top, and we sled all the way down... I reckon you guys will probably be the best steam sledders on this freakin' side of the globe.

Runt

Two birds with one stone, eh, Blink?

Troy

Is that fucked up to say?

Runt

Was that offensive?

Blink

That's a little fucked up.

Runt

I'm so fuckin' sorry.

Troy

That's like me saying two rats-

Runt

I'm so fuckin' sorry.

Troy

Two rats with one glue trap.

Runt

Oh my fucking God. Hey! Nobody falls for that shit anymore.

Blink

We'll see.

Blink

Watch your fuckin' mouth.

Charlie

(Wheezes)

Blink

Listen, though. Listen, wait. Okay? We don't even know how many layers there are, let alone what happens on those layers. And they made it seem awfully dangerous compared to this one.

Runt

Blink, one of the greatest authors quoted this, not knowing-

Charlie

Sorry, that's an insane thing to say.

Troy

Who's the fuckin' quote from, Runt? (Charlie laughs)

Runt

I've read so many fuckin' books, I barely remember all their names.

Troy

It doesn't fucking matter how good of an author he was if he was quoting someone fuckin' else.

Blink

Ratticus - Ratticus Finch once said-

Charlie

Yeah, before the fuckin' Elmer's got him.

Runt

Shut the fuck up. Ratticus Finch once said, not knowing is what makes the journey worth it. We got to do this, and we can do it- (Coughs)

Blink

Okay, so what? Not knowing what it feels like to jump off a bridge?

Runt

We could do this fast.

Blink

I should fuckin' jump off a bridge and see how that feels?

Runt

Well, I mean, you could probably assume what the fuck is gonna happen when you jump off the bridge. You're going to hit the bottom, alright? That's how gravity works.

Blink

Okay, well, we have a double-sized Troy right now. I don't know, I just don't think this is going to end well for us.

Runt

Untapped knowledge.

Troy

I'm feelin' big.

Runt

Look, alright? I'll sit down right fuckin' now and I'll make this potion that's gonna like - use the herb and I'll figure this out right now. If I do that, it works. (Coughs) I start feeling better. Will you go to the top of the mountain with me?

Blink

The second it starts to seem dangerous and like our lives are at risk, which I feel like is gonna happen, we're turning back around and going back down.

Runt

Look at my ankle, Blink! Our lives are already at risk-

Blink

By normal things! By normal people with normal weapons! Not - not wondrous - wonderful bullshit!

Bizly

S-word, Blink.

Troy

Whoa, dude. Watch your mouth.

Blink

At least we know what kind of danger we face down there. Okay? We don't know up here. We already saw a cerberus and some weird fuckin' purple bug guys. That's not normal! You don't see that stuff!

Troy

Dude, that was just a regular dog, and you're really high.

Runt

To quote the... Blink.

Charlie

(Laughs)

Runt

Look, I see your point, old man.

Blink

I'm-!

(Laughter)

Blink

I'm only 28!

Troy

I guess he is getting older, too.

Blink

Oh, God. This is the mountain that makes you old. Oh, fuck.

Runt

But let me quote loosely, Sun Tzu's Art Of War, alright?

Blink

Lie to enemy.

Charlie

(Laughing) You're not gonna quote shit.

Runt

A general must know the terrain that he fights on, and he must be well-prepared. There are three of us, Blink.

Blink

No, you just - you just quoted something that-

Runt

Three: me, you, and a psychopath over there.

Charlie

I got to say, that is really not applicable. It was a good quote. (Laughs)

Blink

That's actually arguing the OPPOSITE of what you want to do.

Runt

Let me finish the thought, alright? There are three of us here: you, me... And that guy. There are so many- (Coughs) -other people racing for this secret to the wondrous coal and the Inventor that has the knowledge. If we find more on this mountain, we could have an advantage that they don't expect.

Troy

How did the Art of War know about all this shit?

Blink

I'm tired of arguing. Yeah, I'll go. But literally, the second-

Troy

YES!

Blink

-we see trouble-

Runt

Woo!

Blink

-I am turning around and you're probably coming with me.

Runt

Blink, what are you so scared for?

Blink

My livelihood. Y'know, I want to go back down to Reclaim someday and just live a normal life. But right now, I've been tasked with finding the Inventor.

Runt

A normal life under foot the of that fox lady? What if here... We could find somethin' that could mend that, you know. Toxic relationship?

Troy

Mend that thing you have about feet.

Bizly

Do you have a thing about feet?

Blink

No. It's-

Troy

You're a freak, dude.

(Laughter)

Blink

Why would you say that? Listen, no, it's not about mending anything with her. And it's not about FEET, Troy!

(More laughter)

Blink

Where did that come from?? I DON'T HAVE A THING ABOUT FEETS.

Troy

(Laughing) A lot of aggression from someone I've never seen it from before about something specifically, I've heard that. And I appreciate you standing up for yourself, but it really does make it seem like you for sure have a foot thing.

Condi

(Sighs)

Bizly

No,

Blink

Troy, I-

Bizly

(Laughing) I've known you for so many years, I've never heard you yell like that-

Blink

I do not have a thing about feets. I have a thing about my personal safety and livelihood.

Runt

I was just - I was - I was... Never mind. I don't want to know.

Blink

Listen, I'm not going to argue anymore. Let's just... Go. Before he adds another fetish-

(Laughter)

Blink

-to me that I don't want.

Troy

Dude, I never knew you liked being humiliated so much.

(Laughter)

Bizly

Okay, where are you guys headed? What are you doing?

Grizzly

Let's follow the line of mushrooms.

Bizly

You guys follow the line of grandpa mushrooms. They kind of march their way through the forest, hoppin' over leaves. It seems like they are making the trek of their lives with how tiny they are and it looks like Troy is making about three to five total steps. Troy, you keep hitting your head on a branch every now and again because you're not used to this massive stature.

Grizzly

Oh, fuck.

Charlie

Did you just vocalize for me?

(Laughter)

Grizzly

I may have.

Condi

Yeah.

Charlie

Thank you, guys.

Grizzly

I imagine sounds as he's describing, you cannot help myself from just doing them.

Charlie

No, I love that, though.

Bizly

Eventually, you guys follow the mushrooms to a place where you hear a lot of them in unison.

Bizly

They're just going,

Mushroom Creatures

Grandpa, grandpa, grandpa, grandpa, grandpa.

Bizly

And a bigger mushroom with - probably the size of Runt with like an umbrella-like - head? I don't know what you call the thing on top of the mushroom.

Charlie

Like a mushroom cap?

Bizly

Yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah. And embedded into the stalk, it's almost like, have you ever seen those trees where it looks like they have a face in it? Like a body thing?

Charlie

Oooh. Yeah.

Grizzly

Sure.

Bizly

In this mushroom, you see the humanoid shape, but the stalk of the the mushroom remains of the same consistency, the same textures. And you see two eyes open up, and it looks to you and it starts speaking out in a language you don't understand.

Charlie

Or do I?

Condi

Or do I?

Bizly

This is a language that none of you would be able to speak.

Charlie

I speak quarry.

Condi

What does that mean?

Charlie

It just means I got stuck in a hole once. It's not saying grandpa, right?

Bizly

It's not saying grandpa, but the mushrooms are.

Charlie

Okay well, the mushrooms are saying grandpa, and they seem to understand it, so... I put a hand on the mushroom and I say,

Troy

Grandpa.

Bizly

You say grandpa along with the mushroom. Roll an Arcana check.

Troy

Come on, guys, do it with me. Grandpa.

Runt

Grandpa.

Troy

Grandpa.

Runt

Grandpa.

Troy

Grandpa.

Blink

All of a sudden, I just don't know if I'm in a mood to do grandpa right now.

Troy

Come on, look at all these little mushroom feet between all of them, Blink. Just say grandpa. Look at all them little waddling around on their little mushroom feet.

Blink

Grandpa. Fine, grandpa.

Troy

There we go.

Grizzly

I actually have a plus 4 in Arcana. You sure you don't want me to roll this?

Charlie

You should roll that. (Laughs)

Bizly

Go for it with advantage. Go.

Grizzly

It's 13.

Bizly

The man continues speaking out in this language you don't understand, but as he looks to all of you and sees you touching a mushroom and saying, grandpa. You see there's almost a pause on his face, and he shuts his mouth, and you hear all in your heads.

Large Mushroom

Oh, not you too. All I hear all day, 'grandpa', 'grandpa'.

Blink

Oh, do you not want us to say that? I didn't want to, to be fair, they coaxed me into it.

Runt

Those are not my thoughts!

Grizzly

Start looking around.

Runt

Those are not my thoughts!! Who??

Grandpa

Clearly, you speak another language. This is... Our line of communication for now. I am... Well, grandpa. I had another name once... But that name is gone.

Grizzly

I say out loud.

Runt

Are you in my - are you in my brain?

Troy

Oh, you guys can hear that, too? I thought it was just another voice.

Grandpa

No. Not really.

Grizzly

Still out loud.

Runt

Okay, but you - you're - like... Like mind-linked. Right now. To all of us.

Grandpa

Yes, it is a, uh... One of the only semblances of magic I retain.

Blink

So magic is real.

Runt

I think we've established that already.

Blink

Yeah, I wasn't completely certain, but I guess like-

Troy

Wait, but what did grandpa mean by - by 'retain'?

Grandpa

Well, I once had more. Simple magics.

Runt

How long ago?

Blink

And why are you a mushroom now?

Grandpa

As for the years, I lost count long ago. But how I ended up here... That is a long story. What brings you here?

Runt

Well, I have more questions. How are you transmitting your thoughts into my head?

Blink

Our heads.

Grandpa

Simply put, it is... Magic.

Blink

Well, I guess these guys want to climb further up the mountain. And I'm hoping maybe you'll have some sage advice-

Grandpa

Beyond the cold?

Blink

-about how dangerous - yeah.

Troy

We're trying to get to a high altitude so that we can be better at sledding.

Grandpa

Are you from beyond the cold?

Blink

Is the cold above or below us?

Runt

I think that's the path we took to get here.

Troy

We're from like, beneath the cold.

Blink

Below, yeah, for sure.

Runt

Either way you put it, yes. Yes, beyond the cold.

Grandpa

Then... There's a life out there to be had.

Troy

Oh, yeah. No, you could just go down. I mean, it's like not - it wasn't that bad. Yeah.

Blink

Just a bunch of people down there, yeah.

Grandpa

That is... Great to hear.

Troy

I mean, shit. Do you want to see it? Or...

Grandpa

I believe my station is here now, although I would love to leave and see this world beyond the cold that you speak of. But... I lived my life... And now I am here, a part of the forest, and have been for... Countless years.

Troy

So, um, do you have any advice on like - going further into the cold?

Grandpa

In my time, I was far too scared. Too scared to go beyond the cold, and by the time I'd grown confident enough... I was too old. My body couldn't handle the trek. Some left, others stayed here. I believe the rest are gone now. I am what remains of my people.

Runt

This forest and some of the places we've seen kind of in - crumbled. Did it have a name?

Grandpa

What you see here, these are the vague remnants of Ferindell.

Runt

Wow. What the fuck? That's not anywhere close to where we are.

Grandpa

No. Many, many years ago, I... I took no part in the war, but... My granddaughter, she loved the forest. I had believed it to be the dark elves attacking a light in the sky.

Blink

I'm sorry. What are elves?

Troy

Rewind, rewind. What are elves? What war? What?

Runt

Dark elves?

Grandpa

The war between Ferindell and Holdstead. The dark elves of Holdstead, they had come to take what was ours in the capital city.

Troy

What was yours in the capital city?

Runt

Were you a mushroom then, too?

Grandpa

I was not, please. I am beyond excited to speak to - not mushrooms who just say grandpa, but... One at a time.

Grizzly

Do I know, as a scholar, any world history of where we're from? Is there anywhere called Ferindell? And was there ever any wars?

Bizly

Nothing like this at all. You've maybe heard the term elves in stories.

Charlie

This shit's crazy. Okay.

Grandpa

I had... Taken my granddaughter into the woods outside the city. I believed it to be the dark elves attacking a light in the sky that grew brighter and brighter. And then the ground shook as though the gods had fallen to a knee.

Runt

Gods? No.

Blink

What?

Runt

No, no.

Grandpa

And then the cold. This forest, it remained protected from the cold. But only a few were brave enough to move beyond it. We were isolated. And this, these crystals, had appeared all around. We tried to use them... Understand what they were, but ultimately, those brave enough or smart enough had left or died. I took my final steps into these woods, my granddaughter led me here. This was to be my resting place. But as I took my last breath, I exhaled, almost against my will, inhaled once again, but this time with a force of gusting wind, filling what felt like my lungs. But the feeling continued out past my body. I was enveloped by the forest and these mushrooms...

Blink

Call you grandpa now.

Grandpa

Saved me.

Blink

Oh, okay.

Grandpa

As my granddaughter did, yes.

Blink

Oh, that makes sense. Okay.

Runt

So, all of these little mushrooms are your granddaughter?

Grandpa

No, my granddaughter is... She ventured beyond the cold. Although that was many lifetimes ago.

Runt

Is that a nice way to see she died?

Grandpa

She left, went to wherever wherever you came from. I hope.

Blink

There's only one way, down.

Grandpa

Is it a fair world?

Runt

No.

Troy

Yeah, pretty much 100%.

Runt

Not at all.

Blink

I mean, life has its hardships.

Runt

I currently have this fuckin' bracelet on my ankle because I'm being tracked by an evil guy.

Grandpa

You, you're an adventurer?

Runt

I'm the smartest girl that ever lived.

Grandpa

Well, she'd give you a run for your money.

Runt

Probably not. What's her name?

Bizly

He just looks down for a moment and looks up to you.

Grandpa

It breaks my heart, but... I don't remember.

Blink

That's... That's sad.

Runt

Do you remember your name?

Grandpa

It's grandpa now.

Runt

Right. Right, right, right.

Grandpa

You... Want to move up.

Runt

Yeah. I think so.

Grandpa

I... I can feel a way. I feel everything in this forest now as if a small feather strokes my skin. An opening upward to the east of here.

Grizzly

Twist some knobs on one of my gauntlets, multi-tool. A little compass comes out.

Blink

Well, thank you for answering our questions and leading us the way. We don't necessarily have all the time in the world up here either because we have a business.

Grandpa

Of course.

Blink

Down below.

Grandpa

The adventurer always has a world to save. Thank you for the company. May the glow guide your path.

Troy

Yeah, you too, grandpa. Also, I mean - are you just going to keep getting old forever? Are you sad? Do you want to die?

Grandpa

Well, I believe... Though your words are sharp, there is empathy in them.

Runt

You're a good guy. You - You're a good guy, grandpa.

Bizly

To kill me, I believe, would be to kill the forest.

Runt

He's clearly got a lot of little grandchildren to watch after.

Troy

I know. It's just it seems lonely up here. It would-

Runt

With all these little guys?

Troy

Well, yeah. They call you just grandpa and make you forget your own name.

Runt

I thought you were connected to the forest. You know that - he talks to the trees.

Troy

That was before I knew what a sick pyramid scheme it was. I mean, if I were grandpa, I'd crave death.

Blink

Will we not be disrespecting the forest by doing anything here?

Troy

Grandpa is the forest.

Grandpa

There may have been a time I felt that way, yes, but there's a peace in my place. Though I'll peek into your head if my mind ever changes.

Troy

(Wheezes)

Grandpa

That was a joke.

Troy

Okay, sounds good. What was that last part?

Runt

Look, um... Thank you, grandpa. Let's head east, east. Let's head east.

Blink

Troy,

Condi

As we're walking,

Blink

Troy, I just need to know, was that like genuine concern or just an excuse to murder somebody else?

Runt

Anything you say could possibly be held against you in a court of law.

Troy

Again, dude, Blink, listen. I spent my own time on the mountain. I've got a lot of first and seconds.

Blink

What does that mean?

Runt

I'm not sayin' anything.

Grizzly

Start heading east.

Condi

Yeah.

Runt

After we walk for a while, let's sit down and take a little rest, alright? (Coughs) I don't think I can walk. Well... Yeah, I could use it, but I can walk for a little longer.

Charlie

Okay, cool. So I guess we go east.

Grizzly

Journey to the east.

Condi

The east. I don't know which direction east is.

Grizzly

Technically, anywhere is the east.

Charlie

What?

Condi

That's not true.

Grizzly

It just depends on where you start, dude.

Charlie

What the fuck are you talking about? That doesn't make any sense.

Blink

Dude, there is a true east, and it's real.

Charlie

Any direction is east, it just depends on where you start. Both of those things are completely false.

Condi

Do not let Grizzly have the fucking compass in real life.

Troy

Dude, you are the smartest girl in the world.

Grizzly

Dude, I didn't even say that in character. I said that as me. Because look, look, look, look, look if you're standing in one spot and you're facing north, what are you going to do? Turn to the left.

Condi

Then you're facing west, dude. (Laughs)

(Laughter)

Charlie

We're never getting out of this fuckin' forest!

Bizly

Okay, so you guys leave grandpa. You guys would like to sit down for a while and take a short rest. I'll honestly say sitting down with grandpa and taking a short rest could have been great.

Charlie

I'm going to try I'm going to attune to my Cloak of the Flamed Angel.

Bizly

It doesn't work.

Charlie

Do I know why?

Bizly

Troy, when you go to attune to this cloak, you feel a feeling in the back of your throat, almost like.... Guilt. It leads to a pit in your stomach.

Troy

What is that? What is-?

Charlie

I toss it away.

Bizly

You feel it's hard to swallow.

Troy

What was that? Ew, what- Ough, ough, ogh!

Bizly

You're... Reminded of a time where you chose yourself over others. What's a good example?

Charlie

I think one that hits him immediately is he's... Thinking back to when we were in the study, in the college, and the professor was convincing us to try and save someone and Troy has the brief momentary thought of feeling like, 'Wait, shouldn't we have just helped her anyway?' Then he throws up.

(Laughter)

Troy

Ough... Get out of my head! Get out of my fucking head!

Bizly

So you are unable to attune right now, unfortunately. But it still looks pretty cool. It looks sick.

Troy

It looks really like - I'm never trying that again.

Charlie

I guess I'll just wear it.

Bizly

Okay.

Charlie

But like, I'll take part of the trash bag and I'll put a layer of plastic between me and it so it can't touch me.

Bizly

(Laughs) Alright, Runt, you are holding this herb, you're looking to synthesize a treatment. Go ahead and roll Intelligence plus proficiency to tinker and mess with it. Make it into somethin'.

Grizzly

Cool, cool, cool. Alright.

Bizly

How much you get?

Grizzly

17 plus 7.

Bizly

(Whistles) Okay.

Grizzly

24, I think?

Bizly

What does it look like when you take this herb and synthesize it into something?

Grizzly

Can I also affix the ring into - build it into one of my gauntlets, the ring of Telekinesis?

Bizly

Yeah, totally.

Grizzly

Troy in the background is freakin' out about his morality.

Bizly

Still big.

Grizzly

Blink, if you're just resting, if you're watching, this is what you see - if you see - if you're just watching Runt.

Condi

He's trying to degrump himself.

Runt

She puts her goggles on, gets focused. She sits down, crisscross. And this whole time, she's thinking about the implications and possibly the different routes that something such as telepathy that she was experiencing from Grandpa shroom could exist. She takes out that ring that she traded with Troy, sensing that it is magical as Wondrous Coal or magical as they've been saying. And she, carefully, using her tools, removes that gem or that stone that's in the casing where it sets in the ring. And then she creates... (tinkering sounds) There's a bunch of little tinkering sounds. She creates this indentation in the gauntlet opposite to the gauntlet with the multi-tool - the left or the right one, I don't remember which one it is. And on the backside of the hand, she creates this indentation where she sets the stone. She gets a sense immediately that the magic... I keep doing quotes because, y'know, it's Runt. The magic used from that telepathy is a cousin of the magic in this ring or the stone of this ring.

Runt

And like Troy said, begins to open her mind to new possibilities.

Charlie

Let's go!!

Grizzly

Trying to make sense of this magic system. And while she still has tons of questions, she's able to attune to the Ring of Telekinesis.

Bizly

Yeeeeeah.

Grizzly

Casting the spell immediately. (magic whirring) There's like her... Out from her bag, alchemist supplies and other tools that she uses, learning from her grandmother - an apothecary - they start to float and orbit around her. And she's using her mind to lift these objects and combine ingredients that she took from her grandma's infirmary while using her... It's actually a lot harder to delicately combine or crush an herb into powder. So she's using her mind to do all this at the same time and then she combines the crushed herb while also under her breath, she goes,

Runt

Alright, thank you, Forest. Hopefully this works.

Grizzly

And then different oils, like salt, some alcohol, crushed root. She combines all of these that she thinks based on the herb's appearance and the magic that she feels from it, this is what's going to unlock the full potential of this magical herb. And it starts to sizzle and bubble up, and then it rests after she shakes it around a little bit in the air, and it swirls, and it's just... What liquid color do you think it would be, DM?

Bizly

Dude, blue as hell.

Grizzly

It's super blue. (Laughs) It's just glowing blue ooze.

Bizly

Looks tasty. Like Windex, you want to drink it.

Grizzly

Yeah, you watch all this happen, and then she lets all the tools slowly, almost like fucking Disney or Alice in Wonderland. You know all that? Just one by one, the tools go back into the bag, like floating.

Charlie

Oh, that's cool.

Grizzly

Super magical. (Laughs) And then the potion, the beaker, rests in her hand. Or not the beaker, that weird kind of like fuckin', y'know, the potion bottle. And she just goes,

Runt

Alright, I think I'm done. (Coughs) Um... You should keep an eye on me in case I drink this and fuckin' die.

Blink

Hope not.

Runt

Uh- (Coughs) Bottoms up.

Grizzly

Throws that shit back.

Bizly

Runt, as you go to drink this, the cool liquid runs down your throat and immediately soothes the burning that you've been feeling nonstop. You can feel that cold radiate through your body, and you breathe in for the first time in so long, fully. You feel your lungs fill up fully with air. Your Constitution saving throw DC has been greatly reduced. You now have the option to, three times, override a point of exhaustion.

Grizzly

Let's gooo!

Bizly

If you get a point of exhaustion and you decide, 'Now is not the time, I need this gone', use that.

Condi

You only get three.

Troy

Oh, cool. I see everyone's so connected to their uh... Everyone also felt that, and they felt that, and they're connected to those cool relics we found. That's great...

Runt

I don't understand it. (Laughs) But I'm fuckin' psyched.

Bizly

With a newfound Strength, and also all of your cool items-

Condi

Yaaay. (Laughs)

Bizly

You guys want to move up the mountain, correct?

Condi

(unsure laugh) I guess so.

Bizly

This will be pretty simple. You guys follow the path east as was directed. You see the path moving up is an incline, but not one so steep that it won't be possible to move up. You can see above, above the tree line, this is the first time you're really seeing up out of it and seeing anything other than the fog. You see some kind of like, shimmering reds up there. Go ahead and

roll Athletics checks for me, all of you, and Runt this time roll with advantage. Actually, Blink, you can fly.

Condi

Oh, yeah, I can fly.

Bizly

There's nothing standing in your way right now.

Condi

I'll fly if I can. If I can fly, I'll fly.

Bizly

You're good. You can fly, so there's no reason.

Charlie

I got an 18 on the Athletics check.

Grizzly

I got a 13.

Bizly

So the three of you are able to move up through this little pocket and you see this shimmering red as you make your way up. It's almost like you've moved into another dimension. It's cool here, but not cold. It's just the wind moves through you, it feels like. Looking all around you, it's hard to comprehend what you're looking at. The ground is not exactly the ground these landmasses float and move all about this almost outer space-looking area.

Troy

Whoa...

Bizly

Floating around where that fog was before is now a galaxy of colors, bright reds clashing against dark, vibrant blues. Rivers run through the sky all around here, defying all laws of physics. And as you step up into here, you feel weightless. You begin floating all around. Blink, there is no air beneath your wings, yet you still rise where your mind takes you.

Blink

What is happening?

Troy

I knew guilt wasn't real. I'm flying! I'm really doing it!

Bizly

Troy and Runt, you begin moving, and you lose control of where you're going.

Charlie

Oh, that makes sense.

Condi

That does make sense.

Bizly

Blink, your momentum carries you, but only for a short time. And then you've got to use your wings once again to manoeuvre around.

Charlie

Is it like swimming?

Bizly

Well, no, it's more like - more like zero gravity.

Condi

Like you're on the moon.

Bizly

So you're just floating.

Charlie

Got it.

Bizly

You're just floating.

Charlie

Got it, got it.

Bizly

Not even the moon. There's nothing. You're weightless. But there is technically air. So, Blink, you could move yourself if you'd like.

Blink

Oh, this is easy. This is the easiest I've ever flown.

Troy

No, dude! Dude, fuck!! Grab on!!

Runt

I'm headed right to a fuckin' river!

Troy

Runt, no!!

Runt

What is that river doin'? It's in the fuckin' sky!!

Bizly

Float over to this river against your will, and it starts to carry you. You feel that your clothes haven't gotten wet, but yet the water splashes all around you, and it carries you along in a little loop-de-loop, and you go flying up.

Runt

WhoOaAa-

Blink

(Laughs)

Troy

Dude, I'm gonna yarf! I'm gonna fuckin' yarf!

Runt

(Mario death noise)

Bizly

You see some structures around, but nothing that looks familiar to you. Nothing like a home or a store, a building, anything like that. But you do see shimmering flames moving around and through. One of them moves right up to you, Troy, and just you feel the heat emanating. (beat of silence) You feel like it sees you. And then it flies away.

Troy

I don't know... If we should have gone up the mountain, dudes.

Blink

That's what I was saying!

Troy

I think fire just watched me.

Runt

Look for a path that the mountaineers left, you fuckin' cowards!

Troy

Alright, I'm trying! And there's something I've always wanted to try, too.

Runt

Stop trying! Start Troying!

Charlie

I'm going to unzip my pants, and I'm going to see if-

(Laughter)

Charlie

I'm gonna see if pissing in space pushes you backwards.

Grizzly

No way, dude.

(Laughter)

Bizly

This is like a muscle thing, so roll Strength.

Troy

Okay, I'm going to try and pee really hard to send myself around to try and locate where the next gap is to go up.

Condi

Whaaaat?

Charlie

That's a 23 on pissing hard.

(Laughter)

Bizly

Okay. You're a pretty heavy pisser, so Troy, as you start lettin' it loose.

Grizzly

Heavy fucking pisser.

Condi

Oh my fucking God, dude.

Bizly

You realize you are twice the size that you once were before, and you piss with twice the velocity.

Charlie

Oh my God.

Bizly

I'm going to use this water bottle as an example. Audio listeners, I guess, go fuck yourself. You start pissing and your entire body starts floating up and around like this.

Grizzly

He's pissing on himself.

Charlie

No, I aim it! I aim it! I want to aim it.

Bizly

You aim it? So just before - okay, I need you to roll Sleight of Hand. Need to beat a 15 not to get pissed on.

Charlie

Okay. No, that's fair. I already shit my pants.

Bizly

It was a strong piss. It was a strong stream.

Charlie

I got a 15!

Bizly

With a 15, you just moved that thing at the last second and swerve your way out of the trajectory of your piss!

Troy

Blink, watch out, dude-! Oh, I'm sorry. I'm fuckin' sorry.

Blink

AAAAAAGH!!

(Laughter)

Bizly

You begin floating over to a little patch of grass, and as you do it's almost like a magnet pulls you down to it, and you land onto this soft grass.

Condi

I land next to you.

Blink

Troy, please tell me that was just water that you spilled.

Troy

I see you took the river.

Blink

G-Guh-ugh-

Charlie

(Laughs)

Condi

I'd like to do a Perception check.

Bizly

Go ahead and roll it.

Condi

I just want to see see if I can find the path up with 14.

Bizly

With a 14,

(dog barks)

Bizly

-you're not seeing a way up necessarily, it's almost as if you've entered another plane of existence. Up has kind of lost its meaning to you. But as you're surveying the area, you see a purplish glow coming from a larger landmass that appears to be like a castle, but it's waving and wiggling in the distance, it's hard to tell. There's a purplish glow.

Charlie

Like, jelly car?

Bizly

What?

Condi

What?

Charlie

You guys never played jelly car? Oh, never mind.

Condi

I know what you're talking about now. Okay.

Charlie

There's a car, and you play it on iPhone. If you tap, it grows. But it's like wibbly and wobbly and jelly and stuff.

Bizly

Oh, kind of like that.

Charlie

Yes!

Bizly

You can see that purplish glow is very familiar and is likely another source of wonderous coal. Around it floats those fiery beings.

Blink

I mean, it's emanating a little bit of danger with the fire, guys, but I see an island over there that's glowing, maybe.

Troy

And we already know what puts out fire.

Blink

No.

(Laughter)

Blink

Troy, put your dick away.

Troy

Blink, I actually reckon if we started a stream here, the zero gravity might carry it all the way there.

(Laughter)

Bizly

Runt, for you, there's a comical black bar over Troy. Like-

Grizzly

Oh, I just imagine that I'm not even... I'm still floating somewhere.

Bizly

Yeah.

Grizzly

If I'm still floating, how close is the castle? Can I get to it if I shot a fireball that blasted me back towards it?

Bizly

How about you roll Perception really quickly?

Charlie

I'm going to try and snipe the fire elementals.

Grizzly

12.

Bizly

Okay. Um - You see the castle. What you also see because of, I'd say you're a little closer to it. You can see like, it's kind of moving around the space, and it bumps into something where you see only black. You kind of follow those lines, and it's almost as if you guys are in some kind of donut of space. It's like a donut shape that you're and it revolves around where the actual mountain is, and you need to break out of this bulb that you're in.

Charlie

Super Mario Galaxy.

Grizzly

Okay. Could I shoot fireball opposite of the black hole so that it propels me towards the black hole?

Bizly

Again, it's not exactly a black hole, it's just the space around you. It's almost like this area has walls and it looks like empty space and there's black and colors on the outskirts.

Grizzly

Oh, okay, okay. So can I fire bolt my way towards the castle?

Bizly

Roll to hit.

Charlie

Dude, I miss having magic 'cause now I have to be like, I piss.

Condi

You don't have to be. I mean like, you could just become a good person, use your cape.

Charlie

Ew, what the fuck? Why would I... That's gross. I'd rather piss everywhere.

Condi

This is why you're never going to fly.

Grizzly

16.

Bizly

Okay, you're good.

Grizzly

The finger opens up. Runt points it directly towards Troy.

Charlie

Okay, if Runt is shooting a firebolt at me, I want to try and piss to see if I can stop the firebolt before it gets to me.

Bizly

It propels you, but just a little bit.

Runt

Oh, watch out!

Troy

Incoming!!

Charlie

I'm gonna- Okay, can I actually try and piss the firebolt since it's moving slow 'cause it's space and see if I can piss it on so that it disappears by the time it gets to me?

Bizly

Does the 16 hit you?

Charlie

No.

Bizly

Okay, so you can piss on it.

Charlie

I piss out your fucking firebolt, dude.

Blink

How much do you need to piss?

Bizly

It goes a perfect trajectory going straight for there. You feel a little burning at the tip, but that's pretty normal for you.

Troy

I get travel-related stress, and we've been on a journey for days, so I can't go. But all of this weightlessness is almost causing it to drift right out of the urethra.

Blink

Why would you say that?

Grizzly

See, look, hold on. This is what I'm going to do. Focus my brain on the gauntlet with the telekinesis ring, and I'm going - it has a range of 60 feet. Would they be in 60 feet?

Bizly

Yeah.

Runt

Don't resist!

Blink

Okay...

Grizzly

I'm going to try and lift Troy up in the air with my brain and move him towards the castle.

Charlie

Okay, I don't resist, but this is horrifying.

Troy

Whoa, dude, what's goin' on?

Bizly

Troy, you feel weight return to you, but it goes the wrong way. It's almost as if you're falling in multiple different directions. It feels like you're being shaken around.

Troy

OhHhHhHh, this is awful!

Charlie

Are you doing it smoothly? Or are you just fucking with me.

Grizzly

I'm like, constantly flipping you. Like- (Laughs)

Troy

Runt, do you really have to spin me that many times??

Runt

I haven't done this before!

Troy

I literally saw you flawlessly command like 30 fucking potions earlier!

Runt

I don't know why you won't stop spinning! Whatever I'm imagining is what's happening right now!

Troy

Why are you imagining me spinning this fast?!

Runt

Funny!

Bizly

Runt throws you and you go hurling.

Charlie

(Laughing) I'm gonna start pissin'! I'm gonna start pissing again!

Bizly

You start pissing and going in a circle.

Grizzly

30 feet per round, basically.

Troy

I'm spinning, I'm spinning. The blood is going to my brain and feet. I'm pissing everywhere.

Bizly

Roll Sleight of Hand.

Charlie

Wait, me?

Bizly

How are you controlling the piss?

Charlie

I'm not.

Bizly

You're not controlling it at all?

Grizzly

It looks like a fucking nucleus of piss, dude. Just like- (Laughs)

Charlie

I did get an 18, though, so can it be really aesthetic how it happens? It looks like a fucking Jimmy Neutron atom.

Condi

Yeah, it's like a fuckin' galaxy forming.

Charlie

It looks like you're playing a Touhou game. (Laughs)

Bizly

Here's what I'm going to say, as you're floating over towards and there's piss just comin' out of you.

Charlie

It's like they just booted up a bullet hell.

Bizly

One of these fiery beings moves towards you to get a gauge for what you are. You can tell there's a curiosity to its movement. And as it gets closer, it will be in piss range. Are you lettin' it hit it?

Charlie

Oh, abs- what the fuck am I gonna do? It's-

Bizly

You can move it. You rolled a good enough Sleight of Hand.

Charlie

No, I said it was going ever... It's an AOE burst, so.

Bizly

Troy, the piss-

Condi

Oh no.

Bizly

Hits the fire being and you hear it singe and it lets out a roar that kind of almost comes from behind you and in front of you and all around you. I need you all to roll Initiative.

Blink

Troy! What have you done?!

Troy

Sorry, dudes!

Condi

Natural 20, 22.

Charlie

I got an 18.

Grizzly

I got a 10.

Bizly

Top of the is actually going to be Blink. Blink, you see this fiery creature light up and all around you from the river, a water elemental appears-

Charlie

Oh shit.

Bizly

-and begins moving through like bubbles, all kind of following each other, and it forms up next to you. And another one up next to you out of these little bubbles.

Condi

(whinges)

Bizly

Runt, you see as well, from the earth, a creature - seems like all the grass intertwines together and forms a fist that grabs up out. The actual floating island turns into an entity.

Charlie

Oh, no.

Bizly

And it starts grabbing all around. You see it's coming to grab you.

Troy

Guys, I should have held it! I'm sorry.

(Background laughter)

Blink

That's it! We're gettin' the fuck out of here!

Runt

I don't know how to process this. There's a lot happenin' all at once. Everything, everywhere all at once is happening" right now.

Troy

He touched it! I just want that not to get lost. He touched it!

Condi

I'm gonna fly towards Troy. My intention right now is exactly what I said it was earlier in that the second some life-threatening shit happens, we're getting out of here. So I'm going to try to do that.

Bizly

You'll be able to get over there, but you will provoke attack of opportunity.

Condi

That's fine.

Grizzly

I have actually nothing that could hurt these things.

Charlie

I mean, I don't know. Maybe I can pee on them again... Dude, I don't know, man! I have a sled! I'm a guy with a sled-!

Condi

Peeing got us into this situation!

Charlie

I'm a guy with a sled!

Condi

How's peeing on water going to help you??

Charlie

I don't know...

Bizly

Does a 25 hit your armor class, Blink?

Condi

It surely do!

Bizly

Okay, with a 25!

Charlie

I thought it would be funny!

Condi

Everything's funny, huh? It's all just a big joke.

Charlie

(Laughs)

Bizly

You're gonna take 7 bludgeoning damage as this water, as this water like - all three of them form into a wave and crash down on top of you as you're flying away.

Condi

Oh, thank you. I had 7 temp HP, first of all, so that's awesome. I don't have that anymore. You actually see it soak off all the bits.

Bizly

That's awesome, actually. That's good.

Blink

Oh, thank you!

Bizly

What are you gonna do? Sorry, I forgot.

Condi

That's a good question. How far away is Runt from me?

Grizzly

Probably like 30 feet.

Condi

I'm going to cast Haste again. I'm going to use my last third level, I'm going to cast Haste. I'm going to Twin spell it.

Troy

Hey, Blink, it looks like you're casting a spell and you got room for one more. Come on, Blink. Come on, dude. Room for one more, dude?

Blink

(Stutters) Uuugh...

Troy

Come on, man.

Condi

Runt.

Bizly

That's a good idea.

Troy

Man, fuck you guys, dude! You fuckin' spin me around and make me piss everywhere!

Blink

You're the one who pissed everywhere!

Troy

Oh, right.

Blink

Nobody made you do that!

Troy

At least I don't fucking like feet!

Blink

(Shrieks) I don't like feet, Troy!!

Runt

That's not what Aeon told me!

Blink

You've never talked to her before!!

Troy

Oh, shit, dude! What the fuck!?

Runt

In the combat, she told me. I never told you, but she told me.

Blink

(Stutters angrily) It's not even like that with her!

Runt

She said, 'Really, you're going to help the feet-liker?'

Troy

Dude, every time I tell you to step it up in a fight, I've noticed you get really excited.

Condi

Okay, to end my turn metaphorical arrows hit me, strike me, and I just start floating through space. I go limp and I start floating.

Grizzly

I notice you get really excited when you asked how many feet away I am.

Charlie

When you hit level four, I bet your ass did not take an ability score improvement!

(Laughter)

Bizly

Up next is Troy. What are you doing, Troy?

Charlie

Well, I'm in space, I'm being telekinetically spun around rapidly.

Grizzly

(Laughs) Yeah, that doesn't change.

Bizly

You're pissing yourself.

Charlie

Is there anything I can do at all?

Bizly

Fire elemental right in front of you.

Charlie

Oh, it's right in front of me? Okay. I hit him with a sled.

Bizly

Okay, go ahead.

Charlie

14 to hit.

Bizly

That is gonna hit.

Charlie

And 13 to hit.

Bizly

That's gonna hit, too.

Charlie

Let me look at what I can do here.

Bizly

You're hitting with your sled, which I would technically consider a magical-

Grizzly

Technically, you're also restrained.

Bizly

Wait, why is he restrained?

Grizzly

The spell says until the end of your next turn, the creature is restrained in you telekinetic grip.

Bizly

Oh! That's funny.

Charlie

Alright, so the first one is just a 13 to hit, and then the second one, 17 to hit. Okay, it still works out.

Bizly

You're good, you're good.

Charlie

Okay, I do 30 damage with my sled.

Bizly

You hit the fire elemental with the sled, and it seems like it goes straight through, but your sled is really cool, so some of the fire goes with it.

Charlie

Dude, can I just say, too, I was reading the comments and people were so fucking pissed that I just described it as-

Charlie and Bizly

-a really cool sled-

Charlie

-and moved on.

Bizly

It makes it funnier that they're pissed, I think.

Grizzly

I couldn't tell if they were upset by you or Bizly.

Charlie

I hit him with my cool sled.

Bizly

So you hit it with your really cool sled.

Grizzly

That's really going to date this episode, they'll be like, 'Oh my God, they recorded this so long ago'.

Charlie

This will be comin' out in 2027. My twink death will have been drastic by then.

Bizly

You're gonna take 8 damage, 8 fire damage. You feel like fire moving up the... What are you wearing? Are you still wearing a trash bag?

Charlie

No no no, I'm wearing my suit, and then I'm wearing the cloak, and then I have a layer of trash bag between me and the cloak because it makes me feel an emotion I don't understand.

Bizly

Okay, the suit starts to catch fire.

Charlie

(Wheezes) Dude, I am just the laughing stock.

Runt

Luckily, like the DM said, Runt's goggles - whenever she has them on - there's a blur filter for anything a 16-year-old should not be seeing.

Charlie

Honestly, thank fucking God.

Troy

No, no, no, dude! No, no. I can't pat it out quick enough! Blink, quick! Help me, dude! Help pat it out!

Condi

Blink is still just like, limply flowing.

Troy

I guess we can try and piss on it!

Charlie

I'm - okay, so I'm on fire, my clothes are burning off and I'm pissing on myself.

Bizly

You have moved closer to the castle though, and getting closer you can see it's almost like the structure of the castle exists and doesn't. It's made of this like - yellowish stone, but it almost - it seems like it's almost like moving in and out of existence around you. And you see the purple stones sticking up like shards coming out of the different points of this castle. In the center, you see a yellow stone glowing, and it's almost held up by a pedestal.

Troy

Runt, throw me! Throw me as hard as you can at that castle.

Runt

I-! Uh - I can only throw you so far!

Troy

Just think harder.

Grizzly

My first action, I will move Troy 30 feet towards the castle once more, sticking to the original plan. He will take an attack of opportunity if he's still in range of the fire elemental.

Bizly

Yes, he will.

Charlie

No, it's only if I use my own movement. That's how the rules work. I flip him off and I piss on him all the way out.

Bizly

You piss out and you move.

Grizzly

You move 30 feet closer to the castle.

Charlie

How close am I to the castle now?

Bizly

You are pretty much just on the outside.

Grizzly

With my Haste action?

Bizly

There is an Earth elemental right nearby you.

Grizzly

Earth elemental. Okay. I'll point my... As my other hand moves and flips Troy uncontrollably, the other hand will point at the Earth elemental. And with the Hasted action, one of the fingers lights up and then this electricity begins to build inside of it until it (pew pew) releases, and I use the lightning launcher.

Bizly

Okay.

Grizzly

Natural 20.

Bizly

Do it, do it. Tell me da' damage.

Grizzly

That's gonna be a total of 11 damage.

Bizly

11, on the crit?

Grizzly

Yeah, it's only a one D6, dude.

Bizly

I was so hyped for a moment.

Charlie

No, it still looks cool. It'd still look cool.

Condi

It does still look cool. I mean, for sure.

Charlie

It looks really cool.

Bizly

Okay. You do 11 damage. What does it look like?

Grizzly

Basically, as I described, and then these branches of lightning just shoot out. Because there's low gravity, they kind of don't have anywhere to go. So they kind of branch out at first, and then once they get close enough to the Earth elemental, they just all strike it in at once because it's the only ground nearby.

Charlie

Whoaa...

Condi

That's cool.

Bizly

As this lightning kind of builds in the area, red lightning strikes from that void around it. Some of that color bleeds from these walls into it, and all of your lightning turns red and strikes this Earth elemental, and it explodes.

Grizzly

Like - It died?

Bizly

Mmhm.

Grizzly

Fuck.

Runt

What the fuck?

Troy

What the fuck, dude?

Condi

They're weak as hell. What?

Bizly

You have no idea what happened.

Runt

I'm hurt. I'm fuckin' hurt. I don't know what that was.

Troy

Dude, you fucking did that. You fucking did that Runt. Let's fucking go!!

Runt

Oh my God.

Blink

I'm not sure you did that, but like - you did that, I guess. Let's go.

Runt

Wooo!

Grizzly

Can I use my movement to try and fuckin' swim towards the-

Bizly

Sure. You're going to move at half speed.

Grizzly

The - normal speed then, because I'm Hasted.

Bizly

Yeah, sure.

Grizzly

Okay, so I'll move 35 feet closer to the castle.

Bizly

That'll get you about halfway.

Grizzly

Which means I can move you all the way. Thank you for the Haste.

Condi

I got you.

Bizly

Up next are our little creatures troy, does the 15 hit you?

Charlie

No, it doesn't. I pee on them. (Laughs)

Bizly

Okay, okay, okay. So you don't see anything, but you feel these gusts of wind start to swirl you around, but nothing actually makes contact or damages you.

Troy

Why are you spinning me faster, you dick?

Runt

[spinning effect] Why - are - you-?

Troy

Why I oughta-

Grizzly

Troy is being cranked up like a fucking Donkey Kong punch.

Bizly

Runt, this red lightning kind of explodes the elemental creature, but you can see still some of the electricity is zapping around. Does a 12 hit you?

Grizzly

No.

Bizly

Okay, it just grazes your ear and you feel the heat from it, but it moves past you. Now, Blink. I'm rolling pretty bad, so you guys are pretty like...

Runt

To quote Einstein, 'Luckily, lightning doesn't strike twice.'

Troy

Who even are these people? And why are you like, just lying?

Grizzly

Everybody lies when they attribute quotes to somebody. Like all those images where it's like, MLK said this, but it wasn't.

Troy

'Troy's our boy.', Martin Luther King.

Grizzly

Exactly. But that one's super obvious.

Troy

No, he said that.

Condi

He actually did say that. Yeah, that's real.

Bizly

Blink, go ahead and make a Strength saving throw.

Condi

Ahh- Is a 2 going to do it for you?

Bizly

2 is not going to do it.

Condi

Yeah, um...

Bizly

Go ahead and roll another Strength saving throw for me.

Condi

Yeah, sure. Is a 12 gonna do it?

Bizly

A 12 is not gonna do it.

Bizly

You take 9 damage as the water bubbles up and around towards you and whips around and you feel it holding you. You are grappled.

Condi

I have been fuckin' pissed on, given a foot finish unjustly.

Bizly

Yeah, you take the 9 bludgeoning.

Condi

Mostly that second one, actually. And now I'm grabbed by water.

Troy

Dude it kinda makes sense if that's what you're into, Blink, 'cause you have like-

Blink

Dude!

Troy

You don't have toes. Like, you have like bird feet.

Runt

Talons.

Blink

I'm going to explode you with my brain.

Grizzly

Bebo, are we in the elemental chaos?

Bizly

Kind of. It's my own version of it, but yeah. Wh- how did you know that?

Grizzly

'cause I studied Indie Lore. Started hearing the different elementals and then everything floating around. I was like, 'Oh, the rivers the sky'. It finally clicked.

Bizly

It's - Yeah, it's like - I kinda took that and made it my own. I did the same thing with the Elven City.

Charlie

Oh, cool.

Grizzly

Oh my God, guys, we just need to swim a little further. We'll get back to the material plane.

Charlie

(Laughs)

Bizly

A large ball of fire envelops the area. All you see is bright white light, but nothing impacts you, nothing touches you. The fire doesn't even go on you - if anything, it moves around you. When the light is gone, the entire plane looks completely different. Everything has kind of almost shifted in a circle. Now, the castle that you're looking for is probably about 60 feet from Troy.

Charlie

Oh, my fucking God. Oh, shit.

Bizly

And 90 feet from Runt.

Condi

So, things just kinda moved around is what you're telling me.

Bizly

I rolled a D4, 1 through 3 were hitting you, number 4 was moving shit around. 4 moved shit around.

Condi

So that means it's 60 feet away from me.

Bizly

Yep. But you guys can now clearly see through an opening in the castle that has now turned to a like a greenish hue. There is that yellow stone, and it starts to pulse and get bigger and wider. And Runt, it catches your eye and you want nothing more than to harness that power.

Runt

What the fuck? I don't know what that is, but that's nuclear fission if I've ever seen it.

Blink

We should have gone home. We should have just gone down the mountain. Why didn't I just stick to my guns? Why did I let them give me a foot fetish and then piss on me?

Troy

This is all gonna make you better sledders!

Condi

I'm going to try to escape.

Bizly

Go ahead and roll a Strength saving throw.

Condi

Strength saving throw. Is there any other options? Like maybe an Athletics check? Or like-

Bizly

You could teleport.

Condi

I don't have that right now.

Bizly

Well, I offered the Long Rest, you didn't want it.

Grizzly

Yeah, because it would have taken eight fucking hours.

Charlie

And Bizly makes us do long rest in real time.

Condi

Okay, 16.

Bizly

16 actually gets you out, you're good.

Condi

I have double movement speed. I'm getting to the island right now.

Bizly

With your flying speed, and that's doubled, you can make it over to the castle.

Grizzly

Haste's concentration, right? Did you roll those checks?

Charlie

Bro, it's just playing devil's advocate.

Grizzly

Aaaah! I can't help it anymore!

Charlie

That's okay, I do the same thing.

Grizzly

I've been a play - I've been a player for too long!

Condi

That's a 21 total. I'm - (gay?) a-okay.

Bizly

You're what, dude?

Charlie

I wasn't the only one that heard that, right?

Bizly

No, I heard it.

Charlie

(Laughs)

Grizzly

Wait, what did you hear? Sorry, I didn't hear anything.

Condi

What did you hear?

Bizly

Nothin'.

Charlie

I mean, the comments will be the judge.

Condi

What? What was it?

Grizzly

I missed it.

Condi

What did I say?!

Charlie

(Laughs)

Condi

What the FUCK did I say, guys?! Please enlighten me!

Bizly

You said a-okay, but you added syllables.

Charlie

You definitely added a new consonant that wasn't there at the start.

(Laughter)

Condi

Okay...

Runt

That's a Condi thing to do.

Condi

Yeah, I'll use myself. I'll land on the fucking castle and use my second-level spell slot and open up my little container and it'll- (pew pew pew!) Send out fuckin' four little magic missiles towards - probably ones near Troy 'cause that's where most of them were.

Bizly

Okay, really quickly, you move towards this green, shimmering castle and like a magnet, your foot steps down onto it. In the center, there's just this pedestal. It's extremely small, probably the size of a small room, right? On the inside. But from each corner, you see these stone golems stand in wait.

Blink

God-

Bizly

They all turn to you.

Blink

-Damn it!

Bizly

Each one of them with a yellow circle in their chest that you can kind of see a light shimmering connection between them and the stone.

Condi

They look like they're about to attack me?

Bizly

Uh, they might.

Condi

Oh, cool...

Bizly

Yeah, yeah.

Condi

Cool, cool...

Bizly

Well, like, you guys have shown up, attacked shit, and now you're gunnin' for the stone.

Charlie

Attacked shit is a wild accusation. I peed ONCE.

Charlie

Nobody attacked anything. Piss doesn't do damage.

Bizly

To a fire elemental it might.

Charlie

Well, then that's canon and you can guess what's happening next round.

Condi

I'm going to stop casting the spell, turn around, look at these four fucking gargoyles. I'm going to fall off my knees and grovel and beg for forgiveness.

(Laughter)

Grizzly

Seriously, the most Blink thing you've done since we started the campaign.

Blink

Please forgive us, I'm so sorry, my friend really had to pee he couldn't stop himself! He didn't mean no harm, no harm was meant - it just kind of happened, he just started peeing - he just pulled his penis out and he peed everywhere. And then one of them ran into it and - and I'm sorry it hurt one of your children or whatever. But it - it wasn't intentional, I swear. He's a good guy, probably!

Troy

Dude, it is upsetting how submissive you are!

Runt

Fucking get it together.

Bizly

I would have you roll Persuasion, but they do not understand what you're saying. So instead, I am gonna have you roll Performance. How well do you physically sell this grovel?

Charlie

Grovel is insane, dude.

Condi

18.

Troy

Oh my God. Oh my God.

Runt

I'm startin' to feel bad for him. And I'm like, way over here.

Blink

I'm sorry, I'm sorry!

Troy

Maybe we should stop exposing him about his foot thing.

Bizly

Roll it one more time.

Condi

Okay, that's a 10.

Runt

One thing's for sure. The Blink we met will not be the Blink we know at the end of this story.

Troy

I'm starting to think that I don't even know the Blink I know.

Bizly

With an 18, it looks like they're not going to attack you, but two of them do move over and stand in the way of this stone, and they actually create a formation blocking it.

Grizzly

Blink just groveled so hard, he confused elementals.

Charlie

That's fuckin' insane, dude.

Bizly

Should have seen what would happen on 20.

Bizly

Up next, Troy. Piss on 'em.

Troy

Look, dude, it's a foot elemental!

(Silence)

Troy

Shit, he didn't look. He's actually making a point right now not to make eye contact with us.

Bizly

He's just not looking at all.

Blink

I can't do this. I can't do it.

Troy

Oh my God, it's so big.

Runt

Strange things are AFOOT here at the end of existence.

Troy

Oh, he looked dude! He looked! You're weird, you're weird.

Charlie

Okay, I am going to... Well, since it's canon, I guess I'll piss on the fire elemental.

Bizly

Sure. Sleight of Hand.

Charlie

If I pushed really hard, can I make it an Athletics check? So it was more about the spray?

Bizly

Last time, if we were doing it about the spray, just roll Strength.

Charlie

That I can do. 12.

Bizly

Yeah, you piss on it and it goes. (sss!)

Charlie

(Laughing) I'm gonna Action Surge.

Bizly

(Laughing) Okay-

Condi

What?

Charlie

I'm going to piss on it again. Oh, wait, I get two attacks. Actually, I can piss on it four times.

Bizly

Yeah, go for it.

Charlie

Okay, so the second piss is only an 8.

Bizly

You do take 3 fire damage continuing through this round.

Charlie

That burns through my temp HP.

Bizly

Okay.

Troy

Ah, oo, ah, oo, oh, ah, oo!

Charlie

The third piss is a 23 to hit. I'm going to make this a tripping attack.

Bizly

Okay. I will say fire elemental is immune to the prone condition.

Bizly

That's okay, it's just going to do some extra damage. So that piss is going to do an extra... I don't know how much it's doing, but it's going to do an extra 1 damage. Great. And then my fourth piss is gonna be a natural 1.

Bizly

You run out of juice.

Troy

NOOO!!! Ohh... Fuck.

Condi

Dude, it had to happen eventually. It was coming.

Charlie

I run out of tank. I run out of fuel in the tank. I go - What'd you say?

Condi

Never mind, I don't want to give that any ideas here. I just said it was coming. (Laughs)

Charlie

No, I'm not gonna do that.

Bizly

Dude, cum on it.

Charlie

No, I'm - I'm really stressed. I'm gonna say,

Troy

Looks like I'm - all out.

Charlie

And I curl up into a ball and then all my clothes burn off from the fire. Just holding myself in a foetal position.

Bizly

Aww. You've still got the cloak, though. It's good.

Charlie

I still have the cloak, but you said my clothes were burning off, so I guess they do.

Condi

Yeah, and you feel really guilty right now.

Charlie

I feel so guilty.

Bizly

You feel really guilty. Well you did some damage. I will say if you don't do something to take out the fire, you are going to burn a little more next round as well.

Charlie

Okay. I don't have another action, so it's fine.

Bizly

Well, up next is going to be Runt.

Grizzly

Yeah, I don't know, dude. You said it's now 90 feet away from me and 60 feet from Troy?

Charlie

So far, bro.

Bizly

And Blink is there. Blink is there.

Blink

He's grovelling, he looks pathetic.

Grizzly

So here's the thing, I have half of 35 from being swimming. Haste doubles my speed, brings it back up to normal, okay? So then I use my Haste action to Dash, which gives me 70 movement

speed. Then I'm going to move 70 feet closer to the castle, so then the castle is now 20 feet away.

Bizly

Dude, you can do it. The math hurts my head.

Grizzly

I can move Telekinesis on a new round. I'm going to move it to the object that is the castle with Blink on it. I'm going to move it 30 feet towards me.

Charlie

Yeah, that makes sense.

Bizly

You hold out your gauntlet to move this castle and with ease, it comes flying towards you.

Runt

Come to me!

Bizly

Not only does it go 30 feet towards you, but it continues moving on that trajectory.

Runt

Woah woah woah!

Grizzly

I grab onto the tip of the castle.

Bizly

You're able to grab onto it. And I'll say, along the way, Troy, you land onto the side of it as it's moving.

Charlie

(Laughs) Okay.

Runt

(Laughs) Oh, shit!

Bizly

Up next, we're going to get some elemental stuff really quickly.

Charlie

It's a good day to not be in that castle.

Bizly

You can see sometimes these elementals fully dissipate and then just reappear in different areas. Runt, as this comes flying at you, one of the fire elementals is going to just kind of fly up and try and intercept. I guess I don't really know what it's trying to do, but it flies up and around you and through you? That's going to be a 20 to hit.

Grizzly

Yes. DM, are you cheating?

Bizly

No. Why?

(Laughter)

Charlie

'DM, are you cheating?' Is insane.

Grizzly

That hits. It hits one above my AC right now.

Bizly

Your AC is 19 right now?

Grizzly

With Haste, yes.

Bizly

Holy shit. I didn't actually know that.

Grizzly

I invented armor.

Bizly

I'm not cheating, dude. I'm too stupid.

Grizzly

(Laughs)

Bizly

Take 9 fire damage as it flies through you-

Runt

What-?

Bizly

-and you can feel yourself starting to catch fire.

Runt

(Panicked babbling)

Bizly

That brings it to the top of the round with Blink. You are grovelling, Troy and Runt are there with you. This castle is now flying and almost like, weirdly catching more and more speed. You can

almost hear the sounds of the whipping flames on the back. It seems like the fire elementals are spinning this castle.

Blink

Okay, guys, you're here now. I just grovelled. What now?

Troy

I don't know. Maybe try being more pathetic.

Blink

I'm on it.

Runt

We got to take that gem and then go into the castle!

Bizly

I'm going to say if you try and grovel again, there's probably not much else that's going to happen.

Condi

Yeah, that's fair.

Troy

Dude, I was fucking kidding. Jesus Christ. How are you this so pathetic, man?

Blink

Because I don't want to die. And honestly, this is beyond my understanding because the concept of fire, water, and earth are attacking us right now.

Bizly

(Laughs)

Blink

And is that not insane to you?! Is that not crazy?!?

Runt

We are in it now, man. We have to fuckin' ride the stream. Ride the stream!

Troy

Dude, don't you get it? Sledding is all about enduring and working with the elements, man.

Blink

This isn't working with the elements!

Troy

It's a test. You don't bend to the elements, you make them bend to you.

Runt

You have a set of cards that summoned a giant pet dragon. What? We need to get over it right now and live in the present! There are machinations and work that are beyond our comprehension!

Blink

And we're running right into them!

Runt

Grab that - we need to get that gem and get the fuck in that castle!

Blink

Okay...

Condi

For my first action, I'm going to try to draw the red dragon out of the deck as an illusion as an intede- intimi- (stutters)

Bizly

And what are you looking to accomplish with the red dragon?

Condi

Intimidation or distraction or something.

Bizly

Mmm.

Condi

My spell DC is 15.

Bizly

It has an Intelligence of 5.

Charlie

It is literally dumb as rocks.

Condi

And you said the portal is in this place, too?

Bizly

The portal? There's no portal.

Condi

We're just here because Runt wants more power??

Charlie

That's why we go everywhere.

Condi

I thought there was a portal in here!

Runt

So isn't the entrance to the castle - like something behind it glowing, and then there's also this giant gem that's glowing in the center?

Bizly

I think I've- I think I've-

Condi

Oh, you've led me astray.

Bizly

I think I have led you astray. It is just like a small little castle, like - tiny. I think the word castle made it sound like there was a big, huge castle.

Charlie

I thought it was like bouncy castle size.

Bizly

Yeah, that's exactly what it is. It's like literally the size of an atrium. Like, there's just stone pillars around creating a castle shape, and in the center, there is that yellow gem. It's like one platform. It is the size of this room, and in the center there is a gem. You can see the Wonderous Coal poking out of the other sides.

Condi

Yeah, I'm following through anyways, I guess.

Bizly

Blink, you go to intimidate these creatures with a massive red dragon that sprouts from the card and flies in a circle. You see these creatures kneel, revealing the stone in the center.

Condi

With my Hasted movement, I'm going to run in, try to Dash, and grab it.

Bizly

As you move towards the stone and you put your hand on it, the first thing I need you to do is roll a Wisdom saving throw.

Charlie

I feel like you have a good one of these, right?

Condi

Yeah, no, it's 10. Um-

Charlie

Okay, alright.

Grizzly

Drops his knees, eyes wide open, glow, (pshh) out the eyes.

Bizly

You take 15 damage.

Blink

Ah-!

Bizly

You see the elements swirl around your arm, around your other arm, up into your mouth, out your eyes.

Troy

Ew, he's eating dirt! Ewww!

Bizly

You feel all of this power course through you.

Grizzly

I think he just dies.

Condi

I just died. I grovelled last turn, I grabbed the stone this time, I burn to fucking ash.

Charlie

I remember Blink for his last moments where he was grovelling and then died.

Bizly

Roll one more Wisdom saving throw.

Condi

Dude, I suck. 9.

Bizly

You take another 8 damage.

Condi

Yeah, I'm dead.

Charlie

Oh, shit.

Bizly

You guys see as this stone starts to singe his arm and burn him up. He is turning to dust, full Thanos snap.

Charlie

What the fuck??

Runt

No!! You're not supposed to grab it without gloves!

Troy

What do we do, man? What do we do?

Bizly

Blink, you don't fall unconscious, but you do fall to your knees and these elements lock you down to the ground. Your hand starts to dissipate into embers. Your knees start to merge with the stone beneath you. You are being reduced to your base elements.

Blink

What do I do???

Runt

I don't fucking know!!!

Troy

Think about what you live for, dude!!

Troy

I take my shoes off and go-

Blink

THIS WORLD IS CHAOS. THIS WORLD IS CHAOS AND NOTHING GOOD COMES FROM IT. NOTHING IS PREDICTABLE! NOTHING IS CONTROLLABLE! WHAT DO I DO?!

Bizly

Troy, your movement speed is full speed at this point.

Troy

Don't you get it, dude? It's all about sledding! It's all about keeping your head in the game no matter what with your team!!

Charlie

And I'm going to full-on swan dive and grab the stone.

Bizly

Okay, you're going to grab the stone, roll a Wisdom saving throw - this time with advantage as the energy is moving through another person. And at this point as well, the castle is moving around in these circles and going so much faster to the point where the colors around you are fading into a collage of just colors.

Charlie

I was hoping I'd fail for the bit, but I got a 19.

Bizly

So with a 19, you get the same effects. And honestly, with that good roll, some of the elements that are moving through Blink start to move, whip up and around your arms. And you can see his hand kind of reforms in almost like a flame at first, and then it forms into just a normal hand, and you are harnessing these elements properly.

Troy

Oh my God, you were right, dude. None of it matters. It's all just atoms.

Bizly

Go ahead and roll it again.

Charlie

I got a 3. (Wheezes)

Bizly

You got a 3? You don't feel your body dissipating. If anything, your physical form is harnessing the energy well. But you do feel as though your mind is being overpowered by the stone.

Charlie

That's fair.

Bizly

And you also fall to your knees and just hold on to it and it holds you here.

Troy

It's nothing, it's all nothing, it's all nothing, it's all nothing, it's never mattered, it's never mattered, it's nothing, it's nothing, it's nothing, earth, rock, rock, stone, rock, stone, water, fire.

Bizly

Honestly, your thoughts and Blink's thoughts start to merge around and swirl. You can't tell what thoughts are your own.

Blink

Scream, scream, scream.

Troy

Water, fire, steam.

Blink

A lot of screams, scream, scream, scream, scream-

Grizzly

Feet, feet, feet-

(Laughter)

Condi

No!

Troy

Feet, feet, feet, feet.

Runt

Oh, fuck. Ohh... It's all goin' wrong again! Hold on, boys! Uhhh!

Grizzly

Start dashing through with the kinda clockwork arcane armor. I'm going to take any wondrous coal that's in my bag and just start putting it in the different chambers on the chest and stuff to power up the arcane armor as much as possible. I don't even know if I'll need Strength in this, but I'll use a fucking charge of arcane - or Armor of Strength, and then I'll just go in with the gauntlets,

Runt

Ohhhh!

Grizzly

Put one hand on it. It's basically like we're putting our hands in on a huddle. (Laughs) I just put mine on the stone.

Charlie

Yes! Oh my God!

Bizly

You're going to put your hand in on the stone. I need you to roll a Wisdom saving throw. You get advantage on this.

Grizzly

Okay, okay, Wisdom save. I'll do the first one. First one is a natural 20.

Charlie

Okay!

Grizzly

21, dude! Don't even need to roll twice!

Bizly

You put your hand onto this stone and you can see the energies move up and around the armor and zap in at the wondrous coal that is all in your armor.

Bizly

Nothin' ventured, nothin' gained! Aah-

Bizly

You see as it starts to shift the wondrous coal to this yellow in your armor, with this, can feel the elements all around you. And Blink, Troy, all of these elements, in like a metaphysical way, move beneath you. It's like you have risen above. You were drowning, and now you've burst to the surface to breathe air into your lungs. You are hurtling in a circle, and the three of you in this moment can control the elements around you. What do you want them to do?

Charlie

What are you guys gonna say? Because mine's going to be stupid.

Condi

I mean, I want them to bring us to the exit or like-

Runt

Take us to the highest point of the mountain!

Blink

That works, too. Yeah, that, too...

Troy

Yeah, and then kill yourselves!

(Laughter)

Condi

I'm still - I'm technically unconscious. I don't know, man.

Bizly

I'll say you can come back up to a one HP with this if you want to do something as well.

Condi

I'll stay unconscious for the effect.

Troy

I tell the water elementals I'm thirsty.

Bizly

You want it to take you to the highest point in the mountain and immediately, the flames on the back that we're sending this little castle moving so quickly ignite up, and they go flying up, out, breaking this little bubble. Everything is a flash of colors. You can see almost nothing.

Runt

Whoawhoawhoawhoa-

Grizzly

Strange things are afoot in this circle gated-!

Charlie

(Laughs)

Bizly

Everything goes quiet for a moment. You guys... Fly up into the air. You can barely make out any of the details around you. You get a glimpse of what seems like a flag with a skull waving on it as you go barreling towards the sky. You can't see anything around you until you land at the top in these flames. You feel them dissipate and the stone that you're all holding returns to a dull yellow.

Runt

Up top.

Troy

Let's go, smokestacks! Yes!

Runt

Woo!

Blink

Don't talk to me.

Troy

Startin' to think you guys might have what it takes.

Condi

Yeah, speaking of up top, how does my hand look?

Bizly

Hand's fine. Fine.

Condi

Okay, cool.

Grizzly

Speaking of up top, what's around us?

Bizly

You see, beneath you is a strange platform of concrete. Trying to make sense of it, it's kinda hard to, there are weird metal boxes with like - grates on the front and inside. There's little like - metal leaves, it looks like. You see some of this concrete is fallen apart. It's just that one little

opening to go down. And if you peak down in there, you see wooden tables with strange boxes on top of them. It's really hard to tell what it is, it's a material you've never seen before, and the front has - almost like a glass, but it's completely black. Looking around, there's tons of these different tables lining this room.

Grizzly

So... Are we inside or are we outside?

Bizly

You're outside right now, but you could go down into this if you wanted to.

Charlie

And there's nothing above us?

Bizly

Nope, we're at the highest point.

Charlie

What the fuck?

Grizzly

So like, is the sky above us? Are we outside of a building or in a building?

Bizly

You're on top of a building, pretty much, and the sky is above you. In front of you is just a field of clouds.

Blink

We're up here. Might as well go inside. Doesn't get much worse than everything that just happened to me.

Troy

Blink, dude, are you okay?

Blink

Don't talk to me.

Runt

No, like ser- like, come on. Tell me that wasn't the fuckin' sickest shit you've ever been through.

Troy

That was pretty sick. Multiple times over. It was sick, yeah.

Blink

You're sick. You're sick!

Troy

Dude, hey, buddy, buddy. What's wrong?

Runt

Do you want some choc- Do you want some choccy milk?

Blink

No!

Runt

I can make it. I have some in my... Look, alright hold on. I have, uh, Cheez-Its?

Troy

I still put things in the snack bag.

Blink

I need some time, okay? I need some time. Listen, you peed on me. Uh-

Troy

Not on purpose.

Blink

I almost got - turned into the elements. Um... I need a bit.

Grizzly

Did we unlock any secret knowledge of the universe in our brain during that?

Troy

I did, but I can't verbalize it. (Laughs)

Bizly

Nothing that you know, but you can definitely feel that this stone connects you to the elements.

Grizzly

Pop it in the Bag of Holding.

Bizly

Okay.

Grizzly

Runt's bag of infinite holding.

Troy

Blink, do... Are you sure you're okay?

Runt

I think we should give him a second.

Bizly

Are you guys moving down into the building?

Runt

Maybe next session, we can go in.

Condi

Yeah, I mean, we can go in. I'm just... Blink is visibly upset.

Runt

Could be worse.

Troy

Yeah, Runt is right. I think your feelings are pretty invalid. Uh-

(Laughter)

Bizly

You guys move down and jump down into this into this room, and it for everyone else, it's a uh... This is a skyscraper you're in, pretty much. This is a little office section.

Charlie

The fuck?

Bizly

There's an opened up elevator shaft that you can move down.

Troy

Okay. Um... Is this wiggin' anyone out a little bit?

Runt

Looks like the pulley devices I invented in the bottom of - in Reclaim, but I don't hear any steam, and I don't see any gears.

Troy

Why is everything all weird and silver? Everything should be all bronze and steamy.

Runt

This place looks like it's made of glass.

Bizly

Runt, it would be pretty easy for you to operate this elevator and make it useful to you.

Grizzly

Yeah.

Bizly

It doesn't seem to work in the traditional sense, but it like - there is a platform that will move down if you just crank it.

Grizzly

There's not a down arrow button or anything?

Bizly

No, it seems the mechanism is long broken.

Runt

The structure isn't powered, so we'll have to hand pull - we'll have to hand pulley our way down.

Bizly

You guys move this elevator down and you lose hold of it for a second, and you feel the ground give beneath your feet, and you come crashing down. But without too much distance you don't take any damage, it just shakes you for a moment. And that creates an opening to the biggest room you have ever seen with marble floors. As you step in, you see four statues on either side. The first statue seems to have a head of fire with a little hood coming up over and all made of stone. Next to that is a cloaked figure with a dagger at the side. To the left is a shorter statue with a jacket, some big, puffer pants, and some fiery hair. In front of that as well is a long, flowy cloak with hair that moves back down. Right in front of you, in front of the big glass door, there's

an emblem that seems to have broken down and rusted and fallen to the ground, and it just reads 'The Prime Force'.

Grizzly

(Breathes out)

Condi

Hehehehehe...

Bizly

And with that, my friends, our time together is up.

Blink

What the fuck is this?

Troy

Who are these idiots?

Blink

They look stupid. I hate them.

Charlie

I start pissing on them.

(Laughter)

Runt

Where are we?

Charlie

Who's up fuckin' defending they Prime?

Grizzly

Who's up lusting their wonder right now in the multiverse?

Runt

What the scallop? What was goin' on there? Oh man, I guess you'll just have to wait another two weeks until the next episode. But in the meantime, we got to shout out the \$50 members on jrwishow.com, as well as the \$50 patrons over at patreon.com/justrollwithit. We're gon' to start with the members. We're gonna start members over at jrwishow.com. So shout out to M4500N, Beans, Sereezaku, Ketsu, Cinnabunny03, Vernon is Burnin'. Ooo, I like that name, that's a good name. Mr. C's Mirror Image, Pupper in a Space-suit, Ammo and Vinnie, Bloke Fiery Reborn 2.0, The Second. I added The Second, you didn't write that. Cranky Martin, Cals. Is that Cals the Folded Pizza Zone? You can't fucking fool me. Sea Fresh, WeWoo, Insomnia draws, Era the King, Silvesoul, ItDemo, Yedium type Z, Hee Hoo, Elvish Cyborg, Bazozo, Golden Block 12, Pink Tucky, Awesome Man, Tooney Looney, Bacca7, Camden Kamik, Twisted Crow, Some Guy Liam.

Runt

Blue Alien Fox, Wild James. Fungus Night, Erin Moment, Luke P571. Luke Har 4334, Bebson, Joy Key, Bran Nyan, Unstable Chaotic Cracker, Val Punk, That One Guy, Sumpfee, King Little Man, It's Albert, Teeny Ghost, Stinky Man, Eeby Deeby 52, Cry Says Sunny Stinks, Jason the Fricker, Joshua Mills, Greg Lee, L-V-K-I-E.

Bizly

I don't know how to say that. Jayvick975, Limb Muncher, Bouncy Burb, Ajay and Emy Fishmas, Tired Eldrich Horror. Get some sleep, buddy. You got time. I'm pretty sure you're immortal. Cody The Cheese King, I'm Rollin' Cu. Why you... You just want to hear me say shit. Narwhal Shellfish, That One Person, 712, Gemet, Mario Craft 6000, Hibiscus, Kedis Bades, The Loot Goblin, Jordan Darlin', Alister Suzie, Retro Steals Your Wallet, Pine T, Jojo Jordan 123. Whoa, wait. Pine T, Jojo Jordan 123. Did that feel powerful to any of you? Because that felt powerful to me. Those are two different names. Abby E. Oh my God! And it go... Oh my God. Wait, check it out. Pine T, Jojo Jordan 123, Abby E. Oh my fucking God! That's crazy. You guys get a gold star, the three of you. Chronus 513! Dude! No fucking way!

Bizly

I'm freaking out right now. Okay, I'm going to do all four of them. Pine T, Jojo Jordan 123, Abby E, Chronus 513. It didn't go that well. That's okay. That's okay. Vapor Slash, you fucked it up, person.

Bizly

You yourself did that. I can't believe this. It is your fault. It is your fault. Mr. Mustaleed, Mustalid? Questionable, to say the least. Staniel the Maniel, Kojot, Nyx, Dev the Dolphin, Cheezus. Okay, and now we got to switch over to Patreon. You get it second, but you still get it, baby. Cage Blakene, Liam Osborne, Shacko Seek, Boxfish, the Megabat Ako, Leaky Liqueur, Swirly is a Confirmed Guest on JRWI, Basic Blur, The Fallen Vines, Mason, Era the King, The Rubik's Cuber, Canonical JRWI Jesus, Viper Hypnotic, Icky Clover, Al Major, Type 2 Tiabetes, Kingdom Games, Voy Essence, Rock Stoneson, Haze Roper, Gillion's Rich Cousin Billion, Heck of a Gecko, I'm just a Burb, Goose, Lightning Deathbringer, Lexie, Cheezus, It's Albert, it's Zeena Scythe, Agar Steeljaw, Limb Muncher, Morbius. Dude, no fucking way. I loved you in Morbius.

Bizly

Mr. Anderson 1078, Oliver Lolly, Aaron Moment, Alastair Susie, Broderick Motif, Falugash, Constantina- I don't know how to say it. Misty Butterfly, Aldrich, It's Sefena, Mr. C, I didn't Forget a Week. Also, oh seven (o7) Jay Newell. You get me. You get me. Sif the Game Hunter, Teeny Ghost, It's Sea Fresh, Me Forever Mate, Sereezaku, Charlie Darling Songbird, Eclipse 1680 Gaming, The Oval Lord, Quinn Gibson, Epic Chris, Motor Musker, Leftover Rice, You Will Rue the Day, Hmberger, Mr. Unpredictable, Jonathan Bleek, Luke Pierce, Thomas Pierce, Lemon Leviathan, Beebnis, Dapper, Bre Lee, Daxie Boy, O'Kerberos, Flooffle Boo, Beans, Kerbwin, Walfie, Pippin the Vagabond, Tane Lambert the Snazziest, Sweet Cacti, Bacca7, The Awesome Man, Fbomb02, you can't say that. Amber Curry, Robert Gangwere, Shrimps Is Bugs, Abby Kate and Elliott, Sarah Lester, Mr.

Bizly

Nacho, Sammy Bo II, Funny Dog, Finrua, Mitchell Iverson, Bosco, Derpy Tricks, Zero Codex, Sandy 007, William Smith, Apple, Soul of a Pep, Big Man Christian, Blueblenblop,

Bizly

Elys the Washed Up Bard, Zerberus. Some of you all getting it twice. Some of you all getting it twice. You're cheating the system. By cheating the system, and I mean, giving \$50 twice. So it's not cheating. As a matter of fact, you're paying for it twice. So fucking thank you. I'll say your name as many times as you want, as long as you give me \$50 every time I fucking say it. So

stupid. Obligatory References, Cryasonus Sin, Spinyax, E, Jacob Martínez, Kirby Wafro, Gillian's Biggest Fan, The Godly King, Cornier Comet, Charmer the Bard, Kitsune, Nonzlotl, Asteria Nyx, George Benji, JRWI Enjoy, and Devinator. Oh my God! The list grows. The list grows, and I appreciate each and every one of you. I'll pick you up in my hand and mush you around like Playdough. Kind of a crazy ending there, but I wonder where it will go. Probably not where you expect.

Bizly

Okay, I need to be so clear with you. This episode, specifically, is where shit got really stupid. I didn't plan for it to go this way, but I kinda love it. I kinda love how dumb it is. I hope you guys still enjoy this next couple of episodes.

Bizly

I do this sometimes where I'll get into a flow of really grounded story and we're following something that's pretty easy. Then I'm like, 'But what if the sun exploded and the moon was there and you lived on the moon and actually you were just an ant the entire time?' I don't know why I do it, but I love doing it. At the end of the day, we all got to have fun. This is how I'm having my fun. It's crazy, we are - we just recorded episode 21 of Wonderlust. There's only about three left, and I'm freaking. I'm freaking. They actually only just now figured out The Twist. Oh, man. It took them a long fucking time. I wonder if anybody, any of you have guessed it. I haven't seen any of you guessing anything. None of you have caught onto my tricks. Onto my tricks... And even if you did, I wouldn't let on. I wouldn't let on another thought.

Bizly

Thank you for enjoying Wonderlust. We're hoping to take it weekly soon. Don't listen to me just yet, though. Wait for an official announcement. I'm just saying that's a hope. That's a hope. That's a prayer. That's a prayer. Praise up. Praise up. Okay, um...

Bizly

I never know how to fucking end it. Alright, goodbye. Get out of here. Why do you listen this far into the episode? It's so far. It's so deep. You listen to all the names, and you just listen to me blabber? Ugh... That's crazy. It's crazy you just do that. I feel like we've really grown closer in this time. You know what I mean? It's been a while. It's been - this is like the 13th time I've done this. Y'know? Like 26 weeks we've been doing this, going back and forth, me and you. It's powerful. Powerful.