

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS BAND?

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FADE IN:

INT. HIGH SCHOOL - SENIOR ROOM

Two friends are talking. They are talking about music. ANDY interrupts RICH.

ANDY

Dude you have to hear this band!

RICH

Who are they?

ANDY

They are this band from the 80's. They are all from Leeds. Their drummer was imprisoned in Syria for 4 years! And their singer sold his soul to bail him out.

RICH

That's hardcore.

ANDY

I have never heard a band that is this

serious about music.

RICH

What did you say their name was?

ANDY

(with glee)

Anwar The Horror.

RICH

What kind of music is this?

ANDY

Heavy.

ANDY reaches into his backpack and pulls out a CD player and some headphones. He fumbles around and checks to make sure it is the right CD. He presses play and clicks around for the right track.

RICH

Why don't you have this on your iPod?

ANDY

You HAVE to listen to the original sound.

ANDY hands the CD player and the headphones over. Rich plugs the headphones in. He puts them on and plays with the volume.

He holds the CD Player awkwardly as they stand around. Because that is how we used to have to do it.

RICH

I don't hear anything.

ANDY

They start quiet.

RICH

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ANDY

It takes awhile to build.

RICH

Dude I am telling you I don't hear anything.  
Just some buzzing.

ANDY

That is how they start.

RICH

I think something is wrong.

ANDY

Just give it a minute.

RICH

Man-

ANDY

It is experimental at times. You are  
listening to it wrong.

RICH  
This is really experimental.

ANDY  
You are listening to it wrong. Just let it  
sink in.

RICH  
I thought you said this as heavy.

RICH plays with the CD Player.

RICH  
Oh wait...

ANDY  
What?

RICH  
I'm listening to it wrong.

RICH unplugs the headphones and puts them in the other jack.

ANDY  
...

RICH

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ANDY

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RICH

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ANDY

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RICH

This is crap.

FADE TO BLACK: