

Grizzly

The memory, Gillion, it goes into your brain, into your mind. And certainly, despite being disguised as Elder Celeste, you know that this is a memory from Elder Ceredian Odelath. You know that's who you are in this moment. You're meeting with the Elder privately, not sure exactly when or where, You're just getting this first person view of a conversation. And this is short snippet. It's not the whole thing. This is the most evidential criminalizing part of it. You have this orb.

Charlie

Yeah.

Grizzly

It's essentially a mix between an arcane eye and a scry.

Charlie

That's Took's orb, right?

Grizzly

Right. It is extremely hard to use, requires powerful magic, powerful connection to magic, but you're Ceredian Odelath. There is no magic that you can't access. You've worked hard to be as powerful as you are. You showed the Admiral through the eyes of Took, writing prophecies, one that sort of details the release of this entity that was fought thousands and thousands of years ago. Then you discuss with the Admiral a plan, a course of action, how the two of you can essentially convince the entire Undersea city that the only course of action is to ally with those above the sea. It's going to be extremely difficult to undo many, many, many years of isolation and division. Everyone in the undersea believes this prophecy and that the chosen one will make sure the undersea survives no matter what, because it can only be one or the other. You and the Admiral don't believe that. You and the Admiral don't believe in prophecy. So then you show Dugon, not newborn, but newly grown into the size and equal power of a Leviathan, unnaturally so, as Dugon normally would never have access to anything powerful enough to consume to reach that level of sea creature.

Grizzly

But in the stomach is the Luxurious Pearl, fed by Gillion.

Charlie

Yup.

Grizzly

You go over the details of where Dugon currently is, how to slay despite the power, and the admiral speaks of where the remains will be taken. You pitch that you would like the head for your own reasons, and then the memory It begins to close. And you come back into your vision and you're inside the library once more, having this sort of almost, it's not out of body, but it's such a strange experience to live through someone else's mind. You almost feel that this memory, it's like conflicting because it's not from your brain. It's like your memories and this memory are sort of like fighting against each other.

Charlie

Oh, okay. Can I ask, in the memory, is it just like, I remember what I was actively doing and feeling, or can I also remember what I was thinking? Like, was there an element of it where he was thinking about what he had to gain out of the, or I guess, would I remember what I,

Grizzly

See how confusing it is.

Charlie

Yeah, I guess, like, in that moment, living that memory, did I feel strongly like I was driven towards any one thing in particular? Like there was some sort of goal I was chasing there or...

Grizzly

Just from the first memory, because you were actively engaged, it's hard to remember, like, what subconsciously you might have been thinking or feeling.

Charlie

Sure.

Grizzly

It wasn't like a memory where he was just sitting around thinking, you know what I mean?

Charlie

Yeah.

Grizzly

So that part of it is hard to hard to grasp. Let's just give it an insight role.

Charlie

Okay.

Bizly

Easy.

Charlie

Okay. Okay.

Bizly

Easy. Destiny.

Charlie

It is my bah, I don't believe in. Wait. No, no, I did. Wait. Wait. Ah, ah, ah, ah! It's very confusing experience all around. That is a natural 20.

Condi

Dude!

Grizzly

No fucking way!

Charlie

Easy destiny.

Grizzly

Why is it always these sessions?

Condi

Dude, it's always the long sessions.

Charlie

That is a natural 20 DM. I'm him, literally. Odelath [lip trill sound].

Bizly

I said it. Maybe I'm the Oracle. I don't know.

Milo

Maybe you're Took, bro.

Bizly

I don't know.

Charlie

I want my full Light Yagami internal monologue while I'm in this moment, betraying the undersea, trying to move things towards progress working with R.A.F.T.

Grizzly

Okay, in your subconscious, just from this one memory, this part of the plan, your long game strategy for maybe the last 20 or 30 years, okay, of the maybe 40 or 60 that you've been an elder?

Charlie

Yes, I remember it clearly.

Grizzly

You tried to do things correctly. Your entire being is about pushing the undersea forward. All throughout recent history, and I say recent, I mean hundreds of years, the undersea has been about survival, preservation. But you know it's stagnant. You study education, you study science, you study history, you study ancient history. You oppose things such as destiny and fate because they can't be explained through any sort of rational thought or tangible evidence. Why trust the visions of just one oracle who claims to be connected to divinity when anyone could be connected to divinity with enough study, you think. What proof is there that even the goddesses are real, they don't speak or make their presence known.

Charlie

Blasphemer.

Grizzly

The Leviathans themselves. How are they different from you? They're highly intelligent, old creatures. They give no inclination that they recall or communicate with the Lunar Mother or the Solar Mother. They're simply animals, as we all are. So why, why should a boy born of unique, lucky happenstance be deserving of all their power and hold the choice for what will happen to the undersea society? You know that the prophecy that you have followed, that your entire city, your entire people have followed and feared, calls for division, but the smartest course would be to unify, to open up, to work with those of the Oversea as you had in ancient history. To sacrifice, make necessary sacrifices. Slay the evil that could not be beaten in ancient past. It can't be sealed, it must be defeated. The Admiral knows how to do this because the Admiral is the most connected to the sun, or whatever divine power. So all you need to do, and all you've been working towards, is get rid of anyone who would stop this and convince the Undersea that this is the only way they will survive.

Charlie

Oh my god, DM, can I make an intelligence saving throw as you put Gillion into the mind of an atheist that's spitting?

[laughter]

Grizzly

Go ahead and roll it.

Bizly

Yeah, unfortunately...

Charlie

I'm being so real.

Bizly

Unfortunately, bars.

Milo

I do agree.

Charlie

Unfortunately, bars.

Bizly

I just wish he wasn't so evil about it, or the way he did it.

Charlie

Maybe.

Bizly

'Cause he's so real for that.

Charlie

I know, like, he's not wrong.

Milo

He is absolutely spitting. It's just, like, unfortunate that he's just like, you!

Grizzly

What did I do, I don't know!

Grizzly

One more thing on the natural 20, I guess, when I mentioned that he's tried to do things the right way, he has tried to communicate with the other elders. They are so stuck in their ways, the other elders.

Bizly

Oh, fuck.

Charlie

Oh, fuck. Fuck! Shit.

Bizly

Oh, wait, wait, wait, wait, wait.

Charlie

Get it out of my head. Get it out of my head.

Bizly

It's in my head too, I feel it.

Grizzly

They fully believed that this all had to ride on you. Your circumstance of being born, the connection to the Leviathans would corroborate the prophecy or prophecies.

Charlie

Oh, my god.

Grizzly

So that's just from the first memory on a natural 20.

Milo

Jesus Christ. There's nineteen.

Charlie

I'm making an intelligence saving throw.

Grizzly

Yeah, go for it.

Charlie

I got a 10.

Grizzly

All right. Would you like to take psychic damage?

Charlie

Yes.

Grizzly

Or just be stunned?

Charlie

Both.

Grizzly

Okay.

Charlie

This is like...

Grizzly

We'll improvise. We'll do some improvised damage here.

Charlie

I mean, it's just like-

Grizzly

Fifteen psychic damage.

Charlie

Yeah, imagine those videos where it's like, you know, the one guy versus the 99. It's like one-

Grizzly

[spits out his water] Oh my god.

Milo

What? A fucking Jubilee video.

Charlie

It's a Jubilee video. It's like, One evidence-based researcher versus 99 Leviathan-pilled, like, destiny maxers. And I think I just get so owned.

[laughter]

Charlie

Like, in my mind, it's like, imagine through this memory, like, while I'm having it, I think it's like almost, I'm fighting through it like it's an imaginary shower argument, but I keep losing against myself. And I take 15 psychic damage As I'm kind of forced to admit that, like, he's got a really good point.

Bizly

That's a really good point.

Charlie

He's got a really good point.

Bizly

Yeah, a real good point.

Grizzly

Honestly, in his subconscious, you know, he's done so much more that you could probably get from more of the memories.

Charlie

Bro, I don't even know if he should. Yeah, so how much time passes as Gillion, like, hooks up to the...

Grizzly

I mean, that's like, that's like, that's about as much time to recall it.

Charlie

Is it like instant, or is it like the memory's length.

Grizzly

It takes about a minute, and you have to concentrate as you do it.

Charlie

Yeah. You see Gillion's eyes, that cloudiness over them sort of fades to the edges of his eyes and disappears. He drops the Anemonemory, falls to his hands and knees, like sweat beading on his forehead.

Gillion

He mogs me.

Jay

Gillion, what happened? What'd you see?

Gillion

[stuttering] I, he, the, the, but he, and I, when I,

Jay

Gillion, come on.

Gillion

When I went to the, and I got, and I was,

Jay

Come on.

Chip

Full sentences, please.

Jay

Full sentences, snap out of it.

Charlie

[lip trill sound] I went Odelath, went to the, man, this is confusing. Is there a god?

Finn

There possibly isn't.

Jay

What?

Gillion

No! Don't do this right now.

Finn

But the sea gods are very real.

Gillion

Right, right. But they're just fish like, they're not fish, they're not fish. [He grabs his head and starts freaking out]

Jay

Gillion.

Charlie

Odelath, your grandma, R.A.F.T., wait.

Jay

R.A.F.T., my grandma? He's what?

Grizzly

[laughing and mimicking Charlie] Your grandma!

Chip

Odelath is your grandma?

Gillion

No! Stop it. He went, he's working with R.A.F.T. They're working together, but don't you get it? It's like the old prophecy. They're trying to unify. They're trying to unify, unification is good.
[heavy breathing]

Bizly

So he's gone mad, I think we need to put him and his grandfather in here.

Gillion

That's not-

Jay

Do you have anything to help with like psychosis?

Gillion

Oh, that's not all.

Finn

Rahhh. [He waves his hands around in a circle]

Bizly

Big time. Big time, just shut the door.

Grizzly

He casts, calm emotions. Blah! And then, one sec, one sec, one sec, one sec, one sec.

Charlie

Yes.

Grizzly

He has to actually roll to see if he can cast any spells.

Charlie

That's so funny.

Grizzly

That's a natural fucking 20.

[everyone] Woah!

Grizzly

Destiny!

Charlie

Do I have to make a save for calm emotions?

Grizzly

It is a charisma saving throw.

Charlie

Okay.

Grizzly

Unless you want to fail.

Charlie

I want to fail because it's funnier. You see, as Gillion kind of [whoosh] feels that, stands upright,

Gillion

Looking at the evidence with a logic-based mindset.

Aurora

Oh, I like this less.

Charlie

One can assume the presence of a chosen one in history is not something that can be typically proved by facts or logic.

Chip

No, stop.

Charlie

Using this approach, Odelath met with your grandmother, the Admiral of R.A.F.T., scrying on the other Admirals because they are stuck in their ways, believing in prophecy, history, and things that cannot be truly scientifically tested. Moving forward with my hypothesis, I do believe that Odelath had this meeting in order to unify both Undersea and the Oversea to show himself and the world that we need not rely on a prophecy that facilitates the necessary removal of one sea or land. Therefore, Odelath may have engaged in suspicious activity involving such herbs and spices as those seven in that original recipe [groans] to aid along the removal of a chosen one, an independent variable that could not be controlled and could not be scientifically measured when they had a reliable method in which to potentially destroy, not seal, like the ones of old, this evil that we have released.

Finn

He was always an intelligent man, that Odelath.

Gillion

Thank you. I mean-

[laughter]

Chip

That's great. But, I mean, the way he's going about it is terrible. And he's working with the Navy. They do it even worse.

Jay

Yeah, actually, no, but unity's good, too.

Chip

Unity's good, but if it means cloning his sister and making her a goo monster, and murdering him and framing people and lying...

Gillion

But what if it also means saving the world?

Grizzly

Fish Cop says,

Fish Cop

But the leviathans, they are children of the moon goddess, and even if they weren't, they have done nothing but protect us.

Grizzly

And Finn says,

Finn

There's more. The Leviathans are important to the cycle of the Undersea. You see, the magic in Mana is so dense that without the Leviathans purifying it, we would all suffocate and die. I believe that if they're, what are they, how are they, what, why are they killing them? Why would they kill them?

Chip

To take their power?

Gillion

Dugon was a false Leviathan, something outside the natural food chain they could remove without impact. A way for them to merge the power of the Undersea and the Oversea like they did.

Finn

Merge it into where? Merge it into what?

Gillion

In the olden times, to create something that could destroy this prince.

Chip

False leviathan?

Jay

Well yeah, the artificial on.

Gillion

The artificial Leviathan.

Finn

What?

Jay

There's an artificial Leviathan that the Navy is trying to create using the power of the real Leviathans.

Gillion

They're making a Mecha Dugon.

Finn

No, no, no, no.

Jay

And they're trying to use. And from what I understand from the logbook we got from Celeste, you need the power of a Ferin and the power of Leviathan to get rid of the corruption.

Gillion

And they did it, it works.

Jay

Wait, so that's the power of lunar and solar mother in order...

Charlie

Assuming God is real.

Charlie

Assuming God.

Finn

[He starts freaking out]

Jay

Finn? Finn, oh, he's foaming.

Finn

Inspiration has struck!

Charlie

How long does calm emotions last, by the way?

Grizzly

Up to a minute, but your grandfather is losing concentration.

[laughter]

Grizzly

That's a four. It dissipates.

Gillion

Assuming my hypothesis is correct, we are fucked! It's all fucked. [panicked breathing]

Chip

You know, Aurora, what do you think about all this? Do you think-

Jay

Yeah.

Chip

Do you think they're right for going up and working with the Navy or what would you do, you know, in that situation? If you had, say, a couple options.

Jay

The way I look at it, we do find ourselves at a fork in the road. We can either--

Chip

There's a fork.

Finn

Fork.

Chip

A fork has multiple paths. You gotta go down one, you can only go down one.

Aurora

A fork has a middle path. I hate to say that I agree with everything that he's saying, but surely there's a way to go about it without you getting caught in the mix. It's not like you chose to be the chosen one.

Gillion

He was always kind to me. What if he was just, what if he just thought he was doing what he had to do?

Jay

He could have been manipulating you the entire time.

Fish Cop

I feel compelled to point something out.

Grizzly

Fish Cop says.

Jay

Yes, Fish Cop?

Fish Cop

Based on what Master Tidesrider has said, the Leviathans, if they are killed and combined into this weapon as you have described, Not only will they have the power to cure the corruption you have mentioned, they will also control our, well, they will basically control the air we breathe.

Gillion

Fuck.

Jay

Yeah.

Gillion

This is why the two-party system doesn't work. It's, it's, it's, we gotta meet in the middle here.

Jay

I mean, it's essentially consolidating power.

Fish Cop

The Leviathans have their own will, and the artificial one would be controlled, so that puts the power in the Elder and the Admiral's hand. And at any point, they could use that against us.

Charlie

Would I know, I mean, based on what I saw in the vision, did it seem like Odelath would be willing to kill any of the Leviathans?

Grizzly

Yeah, I mean, still using on natural 20, Odelath is prepared to sacrifice all of them for this.

Charlie

Yeah, like whatever he's got to do basically to fulfill it.

Bizly

I think it's to take all the Leviathans into one big Leviathan.

Condi

Into one big one.

Grizzly

The Leviathans have been so passive, and they only grant blessings, boons to those who they deem worthy.

Charlie

He wants to control all of it.

Bizly

Yeah.

Charlie

Which I, yeah.

Condi

Kind of hard work over.

Chip

Gillion, how does your power work again? You channel your magic from all the Leviathans.

Gillion

Yes, there was my oath, and you've met many knights, including probably you, Fish Cop, that have taken the same one, an oath to protect the undersea, its creatures, not just the Leviathans, but all those who dwell under here, and then there's, there's something else. Something I was born with. The thing the elders tried to shape and mold that comes from somewhere else. I still don't know where.

Fish Cop

Do you remember the circumstances of your birth?

Gillion

No, I was just born.

Fish Cop

Fuck that.

[laughter]

Gillion

No, like really no.

Fish Cop

Oh well but maybe you do, and we could pull it out of you.

Aurora

[gasps]

Gillion

What?

Chip

Well, you'd have to pick it in his head, right?

Fish Cop

Unless we use it against you and pull it out without your consent.

Gillion

Without my consent? You want to make me remember, okay, hang on. So you want to take out my memory of me being a baby and then give me back my memory of me being a baby so I remember being a baby?

Fish Cop

Well, we go in and we get to the memory to change it, but then we just change our mind and we just see it, but we don't, I don't know.

Gillion

I don't know what the fuck you're talking about.

Jay

Close it out like...

Gillion

But if it's possible, and you guys want to go, okay.

Finn

There's also all these other memories of Odelath's that we can perceive. But we might not be able to pull them back out.

Gillion

I think we, I mean, I'm scared to go back in there that he'll start making more and more sense. Even this in my head feels wrong.

Finn

But right.

Gillion

Did inspiration just strike?

Aurora

If we do not pursue knowledge any further, then we won't get any further.

Gillion

Oh, you sound like me. I mean him. Aurora, I think these memories-

Finn

Knowledge.

Gillion

I don't know if I'm strong enough to take more of these, but maybe who you are aligns better. Maybe you could do more with them. I feel like I'm fighting with myself to even figure out what I saw, what I believe.

Jay

You are a scholarly type, so maybe you can understand more.

Aurora

I do hate to think I'd agree with him even further.

Jay

I'm a totally unbiased fence sitter so...

Gillion

Maybe he's right. I mean, we went to the end of the world, and I made the wrong choice. But maybe you're right, too. Maybe the way he's going about it isn't. If anyone can figure it out, I'm sure they're right here. And also, I guess you could go meet me as a baby if you want it.

Chip

If you're just this vessel for all the magic of the Leviathans and they're trying to make something that's the same, wouldn't they just be trying to make a chosen one that they can control, that they can use, and then they'll have all this power and they'll stomp on the world however they see fit. Would you do that? If you had the power to control the world, would you do it?

Gillion

Of course not, but should that power really fall on one person?

Chip

No, it shouldn't have to fall on anybody.

Gillion

I agree.

Chip

But if it was gonna fall on somebody, I think it should be you, not them.

Gillion

I am not so sure Chip.

Fish Cop

Maybe it doesn't fall on one person because if what you say about ancient history is true, then it wasn't one person before, it was a united force, right? So maybe the chosen one was, maybe you carry the bones of the Leviathan if deemed worthy, and then you unify with...

Charlie

Okay, yeah, so, all right, all right, okay, so you're the best fucking pirate of all time. You see the sun when you go to sleep, even if we use blackout curtains, nothing fucking works for you. I've got the underwater shit, you like have the stars. That feels important somehow.

Jay

Connection to the world tree, yeah.

Chip

Yeah, you're an archdruid.

Jay

Yeah, archdruid.

Chip

I think the best course of action right now is to make sure people like Odelath, people like the Navy don't have this kind of power. If we tell the rest of the council everything we know, maybe that could get us in their good graces enough that they can have some sort of faith in you, in us to do something, that they can help us. I still think Odelath is wrong. Even if his intentions are good, what he's doing is wrong. And the end result won't be any better than this nameless prince. I think we fucking kill them all.

Gillion

Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa.

Chip

Sorry, last part. I got excited. I got excited.

Gillion

That's why we need checks and balances. Checks and balances.

Chip

Checks and balances.

Gillion

Checks and balances.

Finn

Yeah.

Gillion

We could kill some of them.

Chip

Yeah.

Jay

Maybe it's one.

Fish Cop

Only the-

Chip

Odelath.

Jay

Yeah.

Fish Cop

Those who are evil we will slay. That is part of our oath.

Gillion

It is.

Fish Cop

And I wanted to mention something strange on you. Kind of evil.

Chip

[bouncing up and down] What do you mean?

Fish Cop

I don't know.

Chip

I don't either. I think I'm fine.

Charlie

I'm gonna step kind of in front of Chip, just kind of like, in case he gives me the vibe that he's gonna be like, mmm. Like when, you know when the shark smells blood in Finding Nemo?

Bizly

Oh my god, like, my pupils get really small.

Charlie

No, I was gonna say, in case Fish Cop gets a whiff of your evil and goes, oh, that's good.

Bizly

Oh, I see, I see, I see.

Charlie

Because I used to be like that.

Bizly

Yeah, no, that's fair.

Charlie

Yeah.

Bizly

That's fair.

Fish Cop

Something just came to me, sorry. Never mind.

Jay

Okay.

Gillion

Okay.

Fish Cop

Wait.

Jay

Floor's yours Fish Cop.

Fish Cop

So I just feel as if you want to convince the Undersea there is corruption, even with all of the evidence, do we have enough? Your credibility as a banished and failed chosen is not very high.

Gillion

It's non-existent.

Fish Cop

You're outsiders, and well, they don't know you very well yet, so I don't even know you very well.

Chip

That's why I think if we expose this, we'll have at least some credibility, enough that they'll believe us when we tell them about the nameless prince, when we tell them everything that's happened.

Gillion

We need an elder on our side, or it won't matter. They won't want to hear it from us.

Fish Cop

This could be true, yes.

Chip

Who do you trust the most?

Fish Cop

Who?

Jay

There was a time personally where I thought Celeste was the worst possible person to talk to, but she's probably gonna be the easiest to convince.

Chip

She's the most strong in her convictions.

Fish Cop

She is head of defense, powerful fighter, and still the youngest elder to ever have taken a seat after the previous one died suddenly.

Gillion

What?

Charlie

Wait, hang on, hang on, hang on, hang on. Was I around when the previous one died suddenly?

Grizzly

Uh, uh, roll history.

Charlie

Okay. 'Cause that feels, dude, when the previous one dies suddenly, it sounds crazy.

Condi

It sounds like some shit happened.

Bizly

Yeah, yeah.

Charlie

When they suddenly, inexplicably die.

Grizzly

Dude, the Fish Cop and Finn take over my brain and start saying things that I have not written down, and then I have to fucking...

Charlie

That's so funny. I don't think we should ever leave those two in a room alone by the way.

Condi

No.

Bizly

I think we should totally-

Charlie

That would worse version of both of them.

Bizly

I think we should leave them in this library for the next 100 years.

Charlie

I agree.

Condi

There's always gonna be a copy of them in this library, and they're always-

Bizly

It's so funny.

Charlie

Okay, I'm gonna cast guidance. It is my hypothesis. That is a three. I shouldn't do that ever again.

Grizzly

I mean, you barely remember pretty much fucking anything because you were a child when you were brought to the elders like really, really young.

Charlie

I just remember how good that soup was.

Grizzly

You barely even remember your own parents because you were raised by the elders, essentially, and stuff like that. But you do remember that even with the three, there was three elders for a brief time before Celeste took the seat of the head of defense.

Charlie

Do I remember anyone else training me besides Celeste or is Celeste kind of the only person I remember?

Grizzly

Right around the time when training began is when Elder Celeste took the seat. So Elder Celeste would be your trainer. And she would have been around like. So when she took the seat, she was the youngest elder, early 30's, 13 or so years ago, yeah.

Charlie

Okay, then I'll just say that Celeste is probably the person that, and I think the memories are probably so emotionally charged for me because of how hard she was on me, so I don't know that I would even remember.

Grizzly

She's extremely strict and very high expectations, at least within training, very little compassion that you would see.

Gillion

I can't say I like it, but if anyone would protect the Leviathans and what we stand for at any cost, it would be her.

Milo

You said that this Leviathan, this mega Leviathan, would cure corruption.

Grizzly

Artificial one.

Charlie

Yeah.

Condi

The artificial one.

Charlie

The one that they combined the powers of, yeah.

Grizzly

Fish Cop mentioned that, so Finn said that the Leviathans, and you know this, they allow for people to live under the Undersea without being intoxicated by like mana sickness.

Milo

Right.

Grizzly

You know that if they all died and were put into a mech, like a, I don't know, like a controlled artificial Leviathan that would put that power in whoever controlled that too.

Charlie

It would turn into a water filter.

Grizzly

It'd be two, it would be two things, a water filter and like a nuke for corruption.

Charlie

Yeah.

Charlie

So they're kind of like trees for the sea.

Grizzly

It does seem like an option to completely avoid the prophecy, but it is at the expense of like possible freedom and all the sea gods that are really ancient. It's like they'd be killing innocent creatures, really.

Charlie

They're mega whaling.

Milo

Yeah.

Charlie

They're mega whaling.

Milo

I was just thinking about if it would restore health to this tree.

Charlie

It would remove corruption from trying to kill it.

Milo

Yeah.

Bizly

The tree would stop having to fight it.

Milo

Yeah.

Charlie

It would probably restore some kind of balance.

Charlie

It would also send it to that extreme though, like the other one.

Milo

Yeah.

Charlie

This is literally like, do you want big government?

Milo

Yeah.

Charlie

Big government, small government.

Bizly

I'm a fucking pirate. Hell, like, I'm never gonna be that guy.

Grizzly

I will ask too, like, did Aurora want to read any more of those memories?

Milo

I feel like I'd be too curious not to.

Charlie

Okay, Aurora, here is everything. I hope that it's easier for you than it was for me.

Milo

I doubt it will be, but.

Charlie

I'll go to give you the marbles, and then I'll kind of back up a little, and I'll start stepping back.

Finn

He's in your mind.

Charlie

And I'll take one of them, and I'll look at it for a second, frantically around, and I'll put it on the track, and it'll [whoosh, bing, bong] and it'll bounce into your hands.

Gillion

It works! Let's go! Yes!

Chip

Yes!

Charlie

Alright and I marble race them all over to Aurora.

Jay

I think we can put another bounce here, though, and maybe like...

Grizzly

Are you not choosing one for her, or?

Charlie

No, I just wanted to give her all of them in a stupid way that pays off the dumb ass Hot Wheels track we made.

Grizzly

I would make you choose, but you can also just roll a D6 and then pick one at random.

Milo

Okay.

Charlie

'Cause I don't know what they all are, right?

Jay

Yeah, there's no way to tell what they are. They all look the same, right?

Grizzly

True.

Milo

That's a five.

Grizzly

You grab a fish-like looking orb and begin the focusing on the process to basically use the modify memory. Roll Arcana just to use the Anemonemory.

Charlie

Does it require an arcana check every time to use it?

Grizzly

Yeah, I think maybe just for the first time.

Milo

That's a 30.

Grizzly

Okay, so it begins. You concentrate on the process. The little nodes or tiny little orange tentacles begin to come up and suction onto your forehead and around your-

Aurora

[giggles] It tickles.

Grizzly

Mask-like, they're kind of like a visor over your face. And your eyes roll back in your head. Charlie.

Charlie

Yes?

Grizzly

Give me an example or set the scene of a combat trial that Gillion went through.

Charlie

Ooh. Okay. Early or late?

Grizzly

Early.

Charlie

Okay.

Grizzly

And tell me how he failed.

Milo

Oh, god.

Grizzly

How he screwed it up.

Charlie

You see what is obviously a young Gillion. His hair is actually a bit longer. His patterns are a little more faded, not as pronounced. He only has, like, nubs where that coral is now, just little nubs. You see that behind him is this kind of construct made of this watery light, what looks like almost like an unnamed elder, like a shadowy civilian or like a person of import. You see as

they're both sort of making their way across this room that is not detailed at all. You can tell the attention is not meant to be on the details as there are other sort of constructs of this watery light that look very clearly like humans, kind of rushing towards Gillion with chipped blades and like iron weapons and things. And you can tell that this is some sort of trial where Gillion needs to protect this important figure. Gillion is struggling a lot to even take one at first, a second starts to flank him, and he manages just very luckily to get a lucky blow into this one's side as it kind of evaporates into bubbles.

Charlie

And as soon as he does that, there's almost a look of, like, shock, like he didn't even mean to or didn't know that would happen on his face. And then it turns into very quickly an overconfident smile as his coral begins to light up. This lightning begins to form around him. He rears his sword back with this grin to. Swing through the other one, and he backswings way too hard and cuts the head off the elder behind him.

[laughter]

Charlie

[whoosh] The elder explodes into light. He turns around,

Gillion

[panicked] Oh no!

Charlie

Falls to his knees as the fake coral blade drops to the floor, and he starts trying to put the head back on before Celeste turns and notices.

Grizzly

You would hear Celeste shout,

Celeste

Enough!

Grizzly

And then she begins to storm over and coming in. Now you're in the perspective of Ceredian. Coming in, you're watching all of this happen from the side. You're seeing Gillion struggle in

combat and that makes sense to you. And then you see that he's about to do something good, access power.

Charlie

No.

Grizzly

And so using your own magic, you adjust the distance of the construct of the elder or the important person ever so slightly. And Gillion accidentally swings and stabs it and falls apart. And right as Celeste is coming in to scold Gillion, you walk up and start to defuse the situation.

Odelath

Now hold on, he's just a child. Gillion, Gillion, calm down.

Grizzly

And he kneels down and puts a hand on your back.

Odelath

How about you stay hydrated, all right? You don't have to...

Grizzly

He hands you something sort of like a bubble or glass that keeps liquid in.

Charlie

Oh, fuck!

Condi

Dude, the short and stupid potion!

Grizzly

And he consoles you, and Celeste is just wondering how-- she says,

Celeste

I don't understand how someone can be so unfortunately, unlucky just,

Grizzly

She's actually almost trembling in frustration because she sees potential in you and every time you're about to access it, you fuck it up.

Charlie

Did she say that out loud?

Grizzly

Pretty much.

Charlie

Oh my god. I don't even think Gillion says a word. I think he just hangs his head and quietly accepts the bottle.

Odelath

How about a break? All right, we'll continue this in a moment.

Charlie

He just nods and shuffles off.

Grizzly

Shuffles off with the little-

Charlie

With the stupid juice.

Grizzly

-glass bowl of and

Condi

I can't believe.

Milo

It's fucking real!?

Charlie

That's fucking nuts.

Grizzly

And Ceredian talks to Celeste,

Odelath

Maybe consider this, consider that perhaps a child born of this prophecy is just not the way. I mean, this continues to happen. If it continues to happen for the next few years, it's going to be more of a liability than anything. And I don't want the poor child to, for the worse to happen to him. You send him out there and he's killed or makes the wrong choice or worse leads something back to all of us.

Grizzly

And Celeste says,

Celeste

He was born of the god's egg. He is connected to the divine. I will not give up on this until he gets it right. Stop babying the champion. Foolish old man.

Grizzly

She just walks away, and that's the memory. And you come back and you're like-

Milo

You, see, she takes it off. There's, like, tears on her face.

Gillion

Are you okay?

Aurora

Are you okay?

Charlie

Yeah, just a little stupid. No, I don't say that. I don't say that. I don't say that.

Gillion

The memory rattled me, but I think so.

Aurora

Odelath has been playing you.

Gillion

He's been playing all of us since we got here.

Aurora

No, no, Gill, since the start, I saw you.

Grizzly

Oh, oh, roll insight to get into his monologue.

Charlie

Oh, right, right, right.

Charlie

Celeste, you don't know a thing, do you?

Milo

Oh, that is a 24.

Bizly

You're crazy town with that.

Charlie

Whoa!

Condi

She doesn't know.

Grizzly

[evil laughter]

Charlie

Is that the monologue?

Grizzly

Inside his mind, the reverb.

Charlie

Yes, drink your Gatorade.

Grizzly

Aw dude I'm going to fucking pee myself, stop.

Charlie

Dude, because as soon as you described him giving me that juice, I pictured Gillion in like athletic football, like trial games, dumping it on his head afterwards, like they do with fucking gatorade dumps. Stupid juice all over him.

Milo

You watch him shrink a full inch.

[laughter]

Grizzly

In your subconscious, as you're watching Gillion train, and you know that you've been trying to sabotage the champion's development for some time now, just so there's no possible way he gets strong enough, and for second reason, so that he is clearly without any reasonable doubt, going to be too much of an unpredictable, chaotic liability to guarantee the safety of the Undersea. And you also know this isn't the first time Tidestrider you've had to deal with. And you're thinking to yourself that it basically angers you that it wasn't you.

[all the players] Oh.

Milo

Oh, there it is.

Charlie

Yeah, makes sense.

Grizzly

And so part of this is like a mixture of like, this is what's best. I have to do this for the Undersea. And part of it is like, I just kind of fucking hate him.

Milo

Wow, jealousy is a fucking...

Condi

Crazy envy shit. Dude, does he know that's a sin?

Charlie

Dude.

Aurora

Not the first Tidestrider.

Finn

What is it? What's going on?

Charlie

How tall is my grandpa?

Grizzly

About as tall as you.

Charlie

No! This is him stupid?

Charlie

Yo. Dude, why do you think he's so yaoi brain?

Grizzly

Why would that be stupid?

Charlie

Do you think they fed him boy juice?

Condi

They fed him boy juice dude.

Aurora

Gillion.

Gillion

Aurora.

Aurora

I saw him actively sabotage you.

Gillion

What? When? He was always there for me.

Aurora

Yes, he was there. Fucking with you.

Gillion

He wasn't. He wasn't.

Aurora

I saw you.

Gillion

He wasn't ever fucking with me.

Aurora

I saw you decapitate an elder.

Gillion

Which one? What time?

[laughter]

Jay

Wait, sorry. How many times did that happen?

Aurora

It was some form of test, but...

Fish Cop

At least 57 by my count.

Aurora

You weren't meant to. You were meant to...

Gillion

It's 58, including the old...

Fish Cop

Oh, right.

Gillion

The old elder.

Fish Cop

Oh, whoops.

Charlie

That's not canon, but...

Aurora

He made you look bad in front of Celeste.

Jay

You mean, he sabotaged?

Gillion

He sabotaged me?

Aurora

And then he fed you stupid juice.

Gillion

The stupid juice is real?

Aurora

I think it's real.

Gillion

Oh, gods.

Jay

And you drank it?

Gillion

I mean, yeah, it tasted so fucking good and it was so hydrating.

Aurora

Look, I hate to call him a jealous bitch, but I think he is.

Chip

Boom.

Aurora

Look, he's, he had me in the first half. I'm not gonna lie.

Jay

Yeah.

Aurora

But this is pure jealousy. It's pure...

Chip

Evil.

Jay

Hatred. Vitriol.

Chip

Evil.

Gillion

I only ever tried my best for him.

Aurora

You tried your best for everyone. And he-

Gillion

Of course.

Aurora

He swooped in.

Gillion

So what does that mean? Does that mean I'm not who I'm supposed to be because of him?

Aurora

No, Gillion.

Gillion

Am I wrong?

Grizzly

You feel your grandfather touch your shoulder,

Finn

I think I've been drinking the same juice. You know, it was Ceredian that approved the reefsearchers.

Gillion

But, grandfather, all you ever stood for was progress. Why would he want to stunt that?

Finn

I always wondered the same thing. Before he allowed myself to venture out, It was against the law to leave Bubbletrench. And it became, well, I assume it's not any better that I never came back.

Jay

You said that he had dealt with Tidestridders before, right?

Aurora

He may have sent you away in a kinder way.

Finn

Well, I wanted to study more of the prophecy and more of our history, and I had to get the other side of the story.

Aurora

He sent you on a wild...

Gillion

Why wouldn't he want that? If anything, it would be proving his point more, right? If everyone here is stuck in their ways.

Chip

I don't think he has a point. I think he has a goal.

Aurora

I think he wants more than unity.

Chip

[inaudible 00:40:08]

Milo

Hell, I don't think he wants unity.

Jay

I think he wants power.

Gillion

[sighs] Grandfather.

Finn

Yes, grandson?

Gillion

Why'd he make the flavor so good? Blubber blast. Shrimp surprise.

Chip

It's for growth, right? So if we drank some now, it would be fine.

Jay

Yeah.

Aurora

For growth? No.

Jay

The frontal lobe-

Chip

Well, no, like, it didn't make you, it's like development.

Jay

It doesn't stop developing until 25, see.

Gillion

He had to poison me over the series of years. It must have been every day I drank that.

Aurora

Then why was the recipe written recently? Why was the recipe we found written recently?

Gillion

Because maybe-

Aurora

He's been using it.

Gillion

He knew we would be He knew I was too short and stupid for it to go unnoticed, so he figured he might as well pin it on the others.

Chip

And then he could say the others sabotaged the chosen one. All hope was lost, and the only way forward was this. Was what he, was the artificial Leviathan.

Gillion

Aurora, do you want to keep going with those?

Aurora

Would one of you like?

Jay

I wouldn't mind taking a look, I guess.

Finn

Grandson.

Gillion

Yes, Grandpeepaw.

Grizzly

Something you said. I don't believe it's true.

Finn

I think-

Gillion

It really was that good.

Finn

I think-

Grizzly

He put his hands on your face.

Gillion

Yes, Grandpeepaw.

Finn

It is because you are exactly who you are supposed to be. What he has done, what he has done to you. And he must pay for this. I'll kill him. I'll blow him up.

Chip

I'll blow him up.

Finn

I'll blow him up.

Chip

I'll blow him up!

Gillion

Thank you.

Finn

Let's all blow him up.

Gillion

Thank you but-

Finn

That's what the captain would do.

Gillion

He would blow him up?

Finn

We have to find Captain Rose, he would know exactly how to blow him up.

Chip

Oooo.

Finn

Wait.

Chip

We move on from that.

Finn

It's all coming back to me.

Charlie

You say that in character?

Bizly

Totally.

Gillion

Good idea. Thank you, Grandpeepaw. I just, I can't shake the feeling that, I'm not, I've never been able to shake the feeling I'm not what anyone wanted. And now I know why. Do you guys think that I'm, like, short and stupid?

Jay

No.

Aurora

No.

Chip

Sometimes.

Jay

Well, I mean...

Gillion

Let me ask you a better question. Do you think I'm short and stupid because I drank a lot of bad juice, or do you think I'm short and stupid because I'm. Gillion.

Chip

I think that if this is you after drinking short and stupid juice-

Finn

You've been severely nerfed. Severely nerfed.

Chip

Then the world's in good hands.

Jay

I think he miscalculated by getting you banished, because I feel with everyone you've met and everywhere you've seen, you've grown more as a person and more into someone who could make the choices needed than ever before.

Aurora

Standing with the world on your shoulders is not an easy feat, and you have made it quite far.

Gillion

Thank you all.

Chip

Gotcha, bro.

Jay

And you know you don't have to bear that weight alone, never.

Gillion

Of course.

Jay

We're always-

Gillion

I know. I've got you.

Jay

-right next to you.

Gillion

And you now. You're really cool, by the way. Thanks for saying that stuff.

Finn

This would have never happened if I didn't leave you, my boy.

Gillion

It's not your fault, Grandpa.

Jay

Maybe that was also why he approved it.

Gillion

Oh my god.

Grizzly

Little tears.

Gillion

He gave me my flu vaccines. Oh my god.

[laughter]

Bizly

Where is this going?

Condi

Oh my god.

Charlie

I'm sorry. I had to throw it out. I had to throw out the craziest.

Bizly

I knew it was in there and I knew it had to come out.

Charlie

The craziest bit of all time.

Condi

I'm gonna go ahead and start the next memory if we're good with that, yeah.

Grizzly

So you've already rolled the arcana check to be able to use the Anemonemory. And once again, instead of pulling a memory out, you are going to insert a memory in. Just roll one d, well, the list is shortened, so let's do 1d4.

Charlie

Four.

Grizzly

You pick the orange glowing orb, set it in the Anemonemory. Yeah I got it. And the process begins. I didn't?

Bizly

No.

[They all start trying to pronounce Anemonemory]

Charlie

You say it different every time.

Milo

Anemonemory?

Charlie

I thought it was Anemonemory.

Grizzly

It's ana-

Bizly

Anemonemory. You said anamemory.

Grizzly

Okay, so it's anamem-it's...

[everyone tries to pronounce it again]

Grizzly

How do you say the normal one?

Milo

Anemone.

Grizzly

.Anemone. Anemonemory.

[all of the together] Anemonemory. Anemonemory.

Grizzly

That's what, you use-

[players talking over Grizzly] Anemonemory. Anemonemory. Anemonemory. Anemonemory.

Grizzly

You haven't seen this before, but it is a private, undisclosed, underwater location in a bubble of air. You hear, and Jay, even though this is someone else's memory, her voice shakes you to your core. You hear the Admiral speak.

Faye

Your research on the magic from the abyss and the design for the spell. It's worked perfectly. The real one wasn't going to be loyal or strong enough to get what we need done. So I believe that this one will suit your needs better.

Grizzly

And you, as Ceredian, walk around the Admiral You turn basically from the admiral speaking, you look just standing blank, Dopple Edyn.

Charlie

Yeah.

Condi

Yeah.

Odelath

Where's the real one?

Grizzly

The admiral says,

Faye

Are you sure you want me to tell you?

Bizly

Yeah.

Milo

Mmmh.

Condi

I do.

Odelath

Actually, it's probably better I don't know.

[all the players get visibly angry, pounding the table]

Milo

Fuck.

Odelath

On the off chance that things go awry in the most unexpected way, it's hard to predict that party. What of the ever elusive tiefling?

Faye

It's been a while since I had any sort of contact with him. Hendrix has been pulling strings of his own, but swears that the corruption will release in time. The gateway will open, and the calamity will be imminent. Perfect catalyst. Perfect spell of doom for our plan. Because when everyone else is in a state of disarray and panic, we will bring them order.

Charlie

Uh huh.

Milo

Mmmh.

Bizly

There we go.

Milo

Mmh.

Bizly

There we go.

Charlie

Uh-huh.

Bizly

Uh-huh.

Odelath

Sublime.

[laughter]

Milo

Sublime!

Charlie

Sublime!

Grizzly

And the memory ends there.

Milo

Fuck!

Bizly

Yeah, that sounds about right.

Jay

We were so close. They almost said where Edyn was.

Gillion

[stuttering] Did-

Jay

No, because Odelath fucking, he said he didn't want to know. The bitch, the stupid bitch. This fucker.

Aurora

Why would you want to not know something?

Jay

I don't know, but the Navy has her is at least what I can say.

Gillion

As I feared.

Chip

It's not a truth thing.

Jay

Yeah.

Chip

That's why he gets his memories out.

Aurora

I want to know everything.

Jay

Also, I know you said Niklaus was chill as fuck, but-

Chip

So chill.

Gillion

He was pretty chill.

Jay

He was also working with the Navy to make sure that everything that happened happened.

Chip

Well, he said he promised the nameless prince a vessel.

Jay

Yeah.

Chip

That was me.

Jay

And he promised the Navy that chaos would take the land.

Chip

Boom.

Gillion

Boom.

Jay

So, like, really, he was just kind of playing every angle at once.

Charlie

To do what? Get absorbed by a big goo monster? It doesn't make sense.

Chip

Well, he wasn't gonna initially, but he fucked with us.

Jay

Do we know that?

Gillion

He fucked with us, but he'd throw all of it He'd throw all of that away, all of those plans at the end, at the finish line, to go, Eh, maybe I'll be goo.

Chip

What if he, this is kind of out of left field and a little off track, but what if he let it get released and let us stay out there, 'cause he knew we would kill it and we're awesome.

Gillion

Yeah, I buy it.

[laughter]

Gillion

I buy it, honestly. I buy it. That seems like him.

Jay

Sure.

Chip

He was so chill.

Gillion

But he also let this all happen.

Jay

Yeah.

Aurora

What did this Niklaus fellow want at all?

Chip

Tattoo on my butt.

Aurora

I'm sorry?

Gillion

Tattoo on my wrist. Sword and the egg. Beast from the Mist. What?

Jay

I don't-

Gillion

Word.

Chip

What?

Gillion

I thought we were doing bars.

Chip

I thought we were doing bars too, but I thought it was--

Gillion

Oh, it was your turn.

Chip

I thought it was-

Jay

No, you go ahead. If you're doing bars, I don't do bars.

Chip

When was the last rhyme?

Gillion

No, you're on a new rhyme scheme now. You can do whatever you want.

Chip

Oh.

Gillion

We're doing ABAB, I think.

Bizly

Okay. What are we talking about?

Jay

I don't know. I don't know. Listen, Niklaus, nobody knows what he wants.

Bizly

I'm sorry, I've stopped functioning for a second.

Jay

Nobody knows what he wants. He's just kind of chaotic.

Gillion

Even at the end, he wouldn't tell me.

Aurora

Hmm.

Gillion

So we've got two little tentacles, it looks like wiggling around left, so maybe that's two more memories. One we should save for, the Elders, right?

Jay

Yeah.

Gillion

And we've got one to play with. Any bright ideas?

Jay

Chip, you haven't seen-

Gillion

Why are you looking at me like that?

Chip

I haven't got to play with it yet.

Jay

Yeah.

Gillion

Well, okay, here, I'll-

Aurora

It's not something to play with, it's knowledge.

Charlie

I give Chip the Anemonemory.

Chip

Let it on. [squelching sound]

Grizzly

So it's either watch another memory or see Baby Gillion. Which one did you wanna do?

Bizly

Oh, totally Baby Gillion.

Condi

Baby Gillion.

Charlie

Okay. Can you see Baby Gillion?

Grizzly

You would have to use the--

Charlie

Or would you be me as a baby?

Bizly

I would like that.

Grizzly

Yeah.

Charlie

Oh my god. Oh my god, you would be me as a baby.

Bizly

I would like that. I would like that.

Grizzly

You would have to use it on Gillion and with the intention to modify that memory and then not modify it. Does that make sense?

Bizly

Yeah.

Charlie

Yeah.

Grizzly

If you want to use it yourself, you have to roll the arcana.

Milo

Can we pull something out that far back?

Grizzly

No. Right. I keep forgetting that this is how this works.

Milo

Sorry. Teacher, did we have homework today?

Grizzly

No, no, for sure. You would need to go that far back, probably, yeah, ninth level.

Bizly

Maybe we just go.

Charlie

Do you want to look at one memory?

Grizzly

That's how it works.

Bizly

It doesn't matter.

Milo

Hold on, ninth level.

Charlie

What if I think about being a baby, and then you take that memory?

Bizly

You just tell me about it.

Charlie

Oh, well...

Grizzly

Yeah, when I described Jay pulling memory from, like, really far in the past, normally that would take a ninth level spell slot.

Charlie

I think you just suggested the baby thing, so I think we thought it could happen.

Grizzly

Yeah, well,

Finn

I did.

Bizly

Yeah, Grandpeepaw.

Charlie

Grandpeepaw.

Bizly

Grandpeepaw says stuff like-

Charlie

Grandpa-

Bizly

Do you remember when we were a baby?

Gillion

Yeah, Grandpeepaw, your magic is all powerful, right?

Finn

I am the sorcerer supreme.

Gillion

So do you...

[laughter]

Gillion

Do you think that you could take this and let Chip use it for whatever you're kind of looking at me weird for?

Chip

I wanna be you as a baby.

Gillion

Huh?

Chip

Yeah.

Aurora

Well, I don't know if that'd be possible.

Chip

Well, no, I don't want to, I just wanna see the memory of him as a baby.

Gillion

It's pretty crazy. It would make a good story.

Finn

Why are you looking at me like I'm in the class?

Gillion

You're the sorcerer supreme, right?

Finn

Okay, I might fucking blow up.

Chip

That's a risk we gotta take.

Condi

This guy keeps on blowing up, dude.

Charlie

No, it's not. What is this, fucking [inaudible 00:52:00] ?

Bizly

Dude, I don't know. I thought we agreed out there that we were gonna watch this.

Milo

You're going to pull this memory out of it, out of Gillion's head, and it's gonna be like, [baby cooing sounds] and then it's gonna end.

[laughter]

Charlie

Let's do it.

Milo

Here comes the airplane!

Charlie

It's literally getting...it's literally, ahh [mimes crawling out of something]. But it was an egg.

Finn

Okay.

Condi

It was an egg, yeah.

Charlie

It might be awesome.

Milo

[baby crying noise]

Bizly

It might be awesome.

Charlie

It might be awesome.

Bizly

Moonlight, Storm and Sea.

Finn

Yes my connection to magic has been severely fucked with. I can do my absolute best, and if the worst comes to worst, I will blow up.

Gillion

Grandpeepaw, don't blow up. Are you serious about blowing up?

Finn

Very, very serious. Ninth level magic is not something to fuck around with.

Gillion

Grandpeepaw, I'm right here. I'll help how I can.

Charlie

And I will give him destiny. D4.

Grizzly

That's a three.

Charlie

All right, we're sticking with a three.

Grizzly

[in the Finn voice] I will now take the Anemonemory and cast the spell. I grab both of your heads. I grab both of your heads, and the Anemonemory just floats in between, and then they begin to [boop, boop, boop] connect both of your minds. And, that's, fuck, that's, fuck.

Charlie

[nervous laughter]

Condi

He blows up.

Grizzly

So, so, so, here's the problem.

Gillion

Gill, what's going on?

Chip

I don't know Chip.

Finn

I would like to have advantage, DM.

Charlie

Well, I guess, could we technically be taking, like, the help action.

Grizzly

Yes. I rolled a natural one, and he really will blow up.

[laughter]

Charlie

We'll all die.

Bizly

In the library.

Grizzly

I set the stakes in. They're real. They're real. Okay, let me roll one more time.

Finn

Oh, brother, that's much better. That is much better. That is a 16 total.

Grizzly

Suddenly, after a bright, glowing orange light, Chip, you are baby Gillion. [baby crying] You are, you have just opened your eyes for the first time.

[everyone except Bizly is laughing]

Bizly

You can't be doing that, bro.

[laughter]

Grizzly

Yo, yo, yo.

Bizly

You can't be doing that.

Grizzly

You have just opened your eyes for the first time. You are, you see like broken shards around you of some, of some massive egg-like shape. And you are outside of a few homes in a sub bubble outside of the main city. And there are two aquatic Tritons that look similar to Gillion, but not quite. There are some, there are a bit of differences, specifically how the corals grow out of Gillion's head this early on in age. But it looks like those are his parents. What's odd about that is those are both of his parents, but it's not who's picking up Gillion to hold. The first face you ever see is Elder Odelath.

Bizly

Holy!

Condi

He's everywhere.

Milo

Jesus Christ!

Condi

He's fucking everywhere.

Charlie

He's the first face I ever saw??

Grizzly

He speaks out.

Odelath

Just to make sure, we will leave him with you for some time. A baby's growth could be stunted, if not with the natural parents that he was born from. It seems to me that this egg was, in fact, blessed or meshed fused with the Leviathan's essence. Have you contacted any Leviathans in your past, Mr. Tidestrider?

Reed Tidestrider

Well...

Charlie

I did not have relations with that Leviathan.

Grizzly

He looks at his wife.

Reed Tidestrider

No?

Charlie

What?

Milo

Wait...

Charlie

What?

Bizly

Is that real? Is that real? Is that real?

Grizzly

Why are you asking me if that's real?

Milo

Can the baby insight check it?

Bizly

Did he fuck the Leviathan?

Charlie

Is my dad fucking? Oh my god.

Grizzly

Well, give me a second. Let me finish the memory. She kind of nudges him.

Reed Tidestrider

I have had dreams. I have had dreams. Communication with the sea dragon, Pelagus.

Charlie

Oh, my god.

Odelath

Then that should just about confirm it,

Grizzly

Elder Odelath says.

Odelath

We will need time, myself and the other elders. Rest assured that when we do come to collect the chosen one, we will take very, very good care of him.

Grizzly

And that is where the memory ends.

[Chip and Gillion together] Gah!

Chip

[choking sound]

Jay

Did you just cry like a baby for a second?

Chip

No.

Chip

It's kind of like an adult baby. He was weird.

Gillion

Huh. So what did you see? Or do you remember? 'Cause you were a baby.

Chip

There was an egg-like shape. Probably an egg.

Gillion

Probably an egg.

Chip

And you're, okay, okay. You're my, bleh, you,'re.

Grizzly

It's not in your brain. You just saw it.

Chip

Okay.

Charlie

Call them Mama and Dada.

Chip

Well, Mama and Dada and I were there.

Gillion

They were?

Chip

But the first face I saw was Odelath.

Gillion

Odelath. I don't remember that.

Chip

Well, yeah, you were, yeah.

Aurora

You were just born.

Jay

Literally just born.

Gillion

Right.

Jay

Yeah.

Gillion

He was the first face I saw?

Chip

He picked you up, and your father, he sounded very macho.

Gillion

Papa.

Chip

He said he had communications with and dreams of a Leviathan named Pelagus?

Charlie

I think back to when you guys rescued me from the Luxbris Pearl. And that red lightning that was going all around, and when we saw Pelagus.

Condi

We did see Pelagus, yeah.

Grizzly

He called out to you.

Charlie

He did, and I chose not to answer so that I could, I think, save you guys.

Gillion

I think we found the sperm donor? I don't know how this works.

Chip

I don't either. Maybe just the one who chose you.

Jay

Maybe.

Gillion

Maybe. Thank you, Grandpeepaw. Are you okay?

Milo

Is that the sound of him exploding?

Condi

Steam coming out of his ears.

Gillion

Grandpeepaw?

Milo

He's turned so red that he's purple.

Finn

Grandson.

Gillion

Grandfather? You still there?

Finn

Where are we?

Gillion

We're in your library.

Finn

Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, wiggle.

Gillion

I-

Finn

I must rest.

Gillion

Oh, I see.

Grizzly

Oh, he like floats up like fucking-- you- know what the ascension meme? Like Gojo?

Charlie

Yeah. He just [puts arms outstretched at this side.]

Grizzly

He just starts to float up with his hands behind his back.

Gillion

I'm sure that's fine.

Chip

Yeah, that's fine. He didn't blow up.

Jay

He didn't blow up.

Chip

He said he was gonna blow up.

Jay

He keeps saying that.

Grizzly

He should have.

[laughter]

Charlie

That would have been so stupid. The last thing you see is [baby crying sound] the baby. You come to. [boom]

Bizly

Just bits of him floating. That's horrible.

Finn

I'm an old man, and some time is gonna come.

Bizly

One of the people who helped raise me is just like, guts everywhere.

Condi

He's just like-

Bizly

Oh, yeah, let's go do this other thing now.

Charlie

I'm glad my grandad didn't pop.

Grizzly

Yeah, me too.

Charlie

Okay, all right.

Aurora

No wonder you thought Odelath was so chill, you imprinted on him.

Gillion

Shit!

Chip

He imprinted on, wait, what? Is that how that works?

Gillion

Wait no, because I didn't see him first anymore. Chip did.

Chip

Yeah.

Gillion

Oh man.

Grizzly

The memory's still in your brain.

Charlie

Oh, it's still in my brain?

Grizzly

Yeah, yeah.

Gillion

Fuck, now we're both imprinted.

Chip

Am I the chosen one?

Gillion

Maybe.

Aurora

No.

Jay

Were you born, like, in an egg or-

Chip

Yeah, I was.

[laughter]

Milo

This doesn't write over his own.

Chip

It is my destiny. Let's go.

Grizzly

If you guys would like now, you can start to head to your next destination for your next objective. Where are you gonna try and go?

Jay

I think we need to find Celeste alone, which means we either have to catch her in her office or do they go anywhere else alone? Do you know?

Gillion

Not the office. We've already been there. They'll be keeping that place on high alert.

Bizly

Is there a kind of distraction that would lead most of the elders away.

Grizzly

This.

Charlie

This.

Grizzly

Prisoners basically, I mean like prisoners have escaped, one of them is missing, all of them are missing.

Charlie

They would be put in some secure place, right? The elders probably.

Grizzly

Yeah, probably their private quarters and like the housing chambers of the Sea-tadel.

Chip

So where would they go?

Gillion

The only place they'd be is in their private quarters though, knowing Celeste, I mean she could be out there looking for us.

Grizzly

True.

Gillion

Only one way to find out.

Condi

Did we take our chances? Do we like get caught and see if that...

Grizzly

She may have some sort of separate-

Charlie

Like task force or something?

Grizzly

Yeah, or office in the barracks of the Sea-tadel or similar?

Charlie

Oooooo.

Grizzly

Yeah?

Charlie

I reach over to the silvery gray orb that Took has.

Grizzly

Yeah.

Charlie

And I go,

Gillion

[waving his hand around the orb] Show me Celeste, and where she resides. 3-2-1, go!

Grizzly

Here's what I'll say, Gill.

Charlie

Yes?

Grizzly

Do you got a fifth level spell slot?

Charlie

I have one fifth level spell slot left.

Grizzly

You can mark it to scry on Elder Celeste if you'd like.

Charlie

Ooh. Yeah, I'm gonna do it.

Grizzly

She does get a save. What's your save DC for wisdom save?

Charlie

Eighteen.

Grizzly

Just for brevity, let's give this like a plus 10. So she needs to roll a seven, or is it eight or lower?

Charlie

'Cause she has a plus 10 to her save.

Grizzly

Yeah, it's likely even higher, but I'm just gonna say that it's-

Charlie

So doesn't scry have something with like how familiar you are with the person?

Grizzly

Actually, I believe it does. Let me see.

Charlie

Yeah, we spent like she literally trained me my whole life.

Grizzly

If you have a likeness or picture, possession or garment, body part, lock of hair, bit of nail, or et cetera, like something actually from her DNA, those things subtract from her save. And then you also subtract five because you're familiar and know the target well.

Charlie

Okay, so it's minus five. And then can we use a possession that we got from her office when we were there?

Grizzly

I don't think you have anything that actually belongs to her.

Charlie

Oh, okay.

Bizly

Is there anything she gave you when you were young?

Charlie

I was thinking about that.

Grizzly

Scars? [laughs]

Charlie

That's crazy. Yeah. What happened to Gillion's old sword?

Grizzly

Still in Jayson.

Charlie

Right.

Condi

You're right.

Charlie

I put it in your dad.

Condi

You put it in my dad.

Bizly

Is it still sticking out of his chest?

Grizzly

It was.

Condi

It was.

Bizly

Oh, my god, that's so funny.

Grizzly

Maybe not anymore, but it was.

Charlie

When he got banished from the Undersea, he kind of just had what was on him. I think his only possession was literally the clothes on his back and that, like, sword. So I think--

Grizzly

Let's give her the minus five.

Charlie

Yeah, yeah, I think so.

Grizzly

I will roll on the table.

Charlie

Okay.

Grizzly

So you can all can see it's 12 or lower, right?

Charlie

Eighteen.

Grizzly

So if she rolls at 13 or higher, she passes.

Condi

Yep.

Grizzly

Oh, that's not cool. It was a seven. We'll go with that seven.

Charlie

Okay.

Grizzly

I just didn't roll it dramatic enough but...

Condi

You just kind of dropped it.

Charlie

I didn't even get a chance to read it. You just went, nope.

Grizzly

It was a seven. Okay, so scrying on Elder Celeste.

Charlie

Does it count as rolling on the table if he takes it back up right away?

[laughter]

Grizzly

So I just-

Charlie

I just have to believe you.

Grizzly

I just sort of dropped it and realized it didn't go anywhere like I hoped.

Bizly

I'm gonna roll it in front of you guys. [mimes rolling and immediately taking dice back]

[laughter]

Charlie

Okay, I believe you. I believe you.

Condi

It was a seven, I saw it.

Charlie

I believe you.

Grizzly

And then I was like, fuck. And then I was like, ah, well, I mean, I read it, so.

Grizzly

That's really funny.

Grizzly

Scrying on Elder Celeste. [clears throat] How much time do you think you guys think has passed?

Charlie

I think, like, everything we've done, just kind of looking over this stuff, going over with each other, like maybe two, three hours.

Grizzly

In this case, then, I say that when you scry on Elder Celeste, you find her sort of pacing back and forth and contemplating things in her mind in her own. It looks like a private chamber. There's a bed, there is a, you know, vanity, there is dressers. There is. But how would they sleep underwater? Is it. How would, like, it's basically the underwater version of, like, a bedroom.

Charlie

Honestly, when I pictured Bubbletrench, I kind of pictured that there was like air or something inside the cities. I never really thought about it, like they were just swimming everywhere.

Grizzly

There used to be, yeah, and when you created it, it was.

Charlie

I think the realistic answer is like they sleep how fish do, so they just kind of like stop moving and float.

Grizzly

Yeah?

Charlie

They probably have some kind of bed that is kind of like a little reef or a little anemone that they kind of sleep on and don't drift away from, if that makes sense.

Milo

Sea bed.

Grizzly

Sea bed. She would be very clearly in her private quarters, which is just under the audience chamber, the big council room, which is the top dome of this building, the Sea-tadel. Just under that is a floor that has four different extended buildings, rooms that you can get to.

Gillion

I see something.

Jay

What do you see?

Gillion

Mah-dee in Che-nah.

Jay

Huh?

Chip

What?

Charlie

Oh, made in China. She's in her private quarters below the chamber we were earlier.

Jay

Below the chamber.

Gillion

Now, how to get there?

Chip

What's she doing in there?

Charlie

What is she doing in there?

Grizzly

I told you that she seems to be like, like the swimming version of pacing. She's in thinking to herself and almost looking like, like concerned, a bit frustrated.

Gillion

She looks worried. Seems to just be thinking to herself, worried about something. If we're gonna go see her, now's the best time.

Jay

Yeah.

Grizzly

Just to describe a little bit more. It's like a half cut-off clamshell is what the bed would look like, and that just kind of floats. It's like affixed to the wall.

Charlie

Cool.

Grizzly

So they have somewhere stationary that they can...

Chip

We can't just go right back into the chambers. Is there a spell we can use to send a message to her?

Gillion

[talking into the orb] Uh, hello!

Chip

Can you talk to her?

Gillion

Hello, Celeste. It is I, Celeste. No, I'm seeing anything.

Condi

Unless Aurora's got something, I don't think there is.

Milo

Looking.

Bizly

What is the spell? Is it sending?

Charlie

It's sending.

Charlie

I don't, yeah.

Condi

I think.

Grizzly

I think that's like clerics, sorcerers, wizards. I don't think druids have sending.

Milo

I don't believe I have that.

Grizzly

She does have message, but she need to be close and see.

Milo

Yeah, I need to be in the same room.

Bizly

Scrying is...

Milo

Scrying is just looking at them.

Bizly

Okay.

Charlie

I think we're just gonna have to take our chances.

Bizly

We could do the same thing we did with the library, where not everybody has to roll a stealth check Gillion.

Charlie

You just keep us in the card?

Bizly

Yeah.

Charlie

That's kind of cool.

Grizzly

Alright.

Condi

I mean, I can do pass without trace one more time today.

Bizly

Okay. Do you have to be with me?

Condi

Yeah.

Bizly

Okay, then come with me.

Condi

Yeah.

Gillion

Okay, so we stay in here, Aurora and I, and you two get us there through the card.

Jay

Okay.

Chip

[rubbing hands together] Easy.

Charlie

I don't know if this will help, but I know they're actively searching for Gillion and Fish Cop, because it's really easy, and they have some sort of magical means to do so. So whenever you come out of the library, I want you to be wearing the Celestine's bracelet of proof against. I can't read the rest of it because it has ellipses, but it protects from being targeted by divination spells or perceived through magical scrying.

Charlie

I was going to say I feel like the part that comes after against is the most important part.

Condi

I know, right? It's just, look-

Charlie

Proof against, and it kind of sort of squiggles out. It could be anything.

Grizzly

You'd have to attune to it, I think.

Charlie

I don't think it just says when wearing.

Grizzly

No, I'm pretty sure it's attuned 'cause it's powerful.

Charlie

Well, I've got great news. I've had a slot open up recently.

Grizzly

You take your helping hands off?

Charlie

No, I took the sword off because it exploded, DM.

Grizzly

Right.

Charlie

If you remember that.

Condi

If you wanted to attune to that, I guess.

Grizzly

Did you guys ever, Chip, did you ever bring Finn's trident?

Bizly

I gave it to Gillion so he would have it.

Charlie

Oh yeah, I guess I still have it.

Grizzly

Yeah.

Charlie

Dude, I kind of forgot.

Bizly

Yeah, me too.

Charlie

We're bad at items. Yeah, we're really bad at items.

Grizzly

I'm pretty sure the trident still exists in D&D Beyond, if you'd like to equip it.

Charlie

Oh, yeah. Was the trident even special? Might have just been a Trident.

Grizzly

No dude, I think it was just a trident.

Charlie

Okay.

Bizly

We could get it enchanted.

Grizzly

Dude, add a trident to your...

Charlie

Yeah, sure.

Grizzly

I think the trident would probably be corrupted at this point anyways.

Charlie

Oh, it'd probably be so corrupted.

Bizly

It has been sitting in there.

Charlie

For like ever.

Grizzly

So to even use it safely, it's like a remove curse.

Charlie

To use the regular trident.

Grizzly

The regular trident. Or you can try and attune to a corrupted trident and see what happens.

Bizly

That'd be cool.

Charlie

Man, why the fuck would I do that?

Grizzly

Yeah, probably not.

Charlie

Jay offers me this amulet. Oh, look down at the trident I've got that is kind of black and throbbing and evil and pulsing.

Grizzly

It kind of whispers. [whispers nonsense words].

Gillion

The amulet sounds pretty good.

Charlie

Take that instead of this thing.

Gillion

Thank you, Jay. Put it on. [boop]

Jay

It's an amulet bracelet.

Aurora

On your neck? How big is your neck?

Gillion

It's kind of hard. [strains to fit it over his head] I got it. [He starts to choke]

Grizzly

It's like a choker.

Aurora

Oh, god. Oh, god.

Gillion

I can breathe if I kind of hold it like this.

Aurora

Yeah.

Gillion

Is it supposed to go like this?

Aurora

Probably not but...

Jay

I'm pretty sure it's for your arm.

Gillion

Oh, okay. [He tries to pull it off, it gets stuck at his chin] I got a chin thing.

Jay

Do I have butter? Do you have any butter?

Chip

I got soap.

Charlie

[lip thrill sound] Oh, it's in my gills. It's in my gills.

Chip

[sound of soap rubbing against skin as he tries to loosen the necklace]

Gillion

[choking noises] Okay. Take it off.

Bizly

Nobody can grab it. We're covered in soap.

Fish Cop

Okay. So does that mean that I will have to stay in here? I think that I could ease you in convincing Elder Celeste.

Gillion

I think we're all going to stay in here until Chip and Jay get us there, and then why don't you join us?

Jay

Do you want to give, you have the same thing I do from Celeste, right, not Celeste,

Milo

Oh, that wasn't Finn.

Jay

From Celesteine.

Chip

Yeah.

Jay

So maybe we could lend it to Fish Cop for when we go out, just in case the alarms go off.

Chip

Yeah, sure, here you go.

Grizzly

Fish Cop bracelets up. You guys, if you're going to be heading to Celeste, I knew I was gonna get confused between Celestine and Celeste, and I had no idea that they were going to somehow-

Condi

Somehow end up, yeah.

Grizzly

Be linked in the same scene. But go ahead and make a stealth check now that you've left the library and you are leaving the infirmary.

Bizly

Chibo, Chibo, Chibo.

Condi

So DM-

Bizly

Natural 20!

Charlie

Oh!

[all the other players clap]

Grizzly

Oh!

Condi

That's really good.

Grizzly

So 30.

Condi

Does a plus 24 outweigh a natural one?

Grizzly

Natural 20 cancels out a natural one.

Bizly

Check out what I've got. All right, I've got a natural 20, I have a plus 13, and I have a plus ten. 20, 33, 43.

Grizzly

Describe how you fix Jay's natural one.

Bizly

Mmm.

Condi

I'm at your mercy, I guess.

Chip

I want to go to Jay and be like, look, if we do get caught, frankly, you're not very good at doing the talking.

Jay

What do you mean?

Chip

I've got an idea. What do you think, I mean?

Jay

I don't know, I always thought I was good at talking.

Chip

Not like out of a situation that's stressful like that, like lying.

Jay

Okay, yeah maybe.

Chip

You get scared. It's okay, it's all right. I've got a solution.

Bizly

Pull out a large trench coat.

Charlie

Okay. Okay.

[laughter]

Jay

What are you doing?

Charlie

No.

Bizly

[giggling] I get up on your shoulders.

Charlie

No, no, no, no, no, no.

Bizly

I put it over-

Charlie

Oh my god. Wait, but if you do this because of how your head is, you're gonna look like just a regular fish.

Bizly

I know. I know.

Charlie

Oh, it's brilliant.

Bizly

I know. I'm a really tall fish.

Charlie

It's brilliant.

Grizzly

Okay.

Bizly

We just cut to a scene of us walking around My arms are out like this. These tiny little legs are walking for this huge body. And I walk by someone,

Chip

Good morning.

Grizzly

You see a small, like a short axolotl-looking humanoid that's kind of bright pink and has a little hat on.

Axolotl-looking Humanoid

Good morning. It's a pleasant and chaotic day here in the Sea-tadel, isn't it?

Chip

Yeah.

[laughter]

Bizly

Move faster, faster, faster.

Axolotl-looking Humanoid

I hope they find the criminals.

Chip

Me too. I hope that.

Grizzly

So you're gonna...

Bizly

Yeah, we're gonna sneak to the chamber.

Grizzly

Just to. Yeah, I'll just say that, like, with that, you eventually will find your way to the floor just underneath the audience chamber. Last time you were just fucking teleported there.

Condi

Yeah.

Grizzly

This time you kind of have to look around for a little bit, try and figure out how to navigate the Sea-tadel. But eventually you'll find your way there to the four chambers. It's strange because. It says so much about Bubbletrench and how it's oriented, how it's structured, how the Sea-tadel is in the middle, how the currents go through it, how there are four chambers here at this floor for the elders, and you remember the four offices for the vice admirals for R.A.F.T. It just feels similar in design. And because of that, you can see that there are these-- it's not a hallway, but it's an open hall. Where people can traverse through to get to the top audience chamber or go down. There's also some, I guess, kind of like a break room sort of vibe. It's basically the antechamber before their private chambers that just has sort of comfortable furniture and the like where they can pass each other. It's like sharing a dorm almost, and this is the living room, if that makes sense.

Grizzly

But you can see through to the entryways into the chambers that each elder is currently in their own private quarters.

Grizzly

Cool.

Jay

Okay. How are we gonna do this? Do we wanna get them out before we go into Celeste's room? Or do we run into Celeste's room and get them out?

Chip

I think we run into Celeste's room, get them out and that way no one can leave because the door is into the library?

Jay

That's so smart. That's so smart. Okay.

Chip

I'm kind of fucked up, but like--

Jay

Okay, are you ready?

Chip

I'm ready.

Jay

Okay, let's do this.

Condi

I trip and fall over and then get back on my feet and start running.

Grizzly

How do you trip underwater?

Charlie

I don't know, but I do it.

Grizzly

Whoa!

Condi

Whoa! Like really slowly topple.

Grizzly

I'll say that all of their chamber doors are locked, but most of the knights are currently searching the city for you. So just give me a thief's tools check to get in there.

Bizly

Sure. I just kind of go up [whistling] like, right behind my back.

Grizzly

Apologies, I'm simplifying getting access to the most powerful people in the city.

Condi

That's okay. Dangerous people are-

Charlie

I did think, like, wow, is it really this easy? That's awesome.

Bizly

That's 28.

Grizzly

Twenty-eight. I'll also say that you're like, there are, you are passing by on your way here and even in this antechamber, you're passing by knights and the like and just sort of timing everything. You are timing everything perfectly. You are being led to time everything perfectly.

Condi

I can't see anything. I can't see anything.

Bizly

I have you under a blanket using you like a motor.

Grizzly

You're Ratatouille'ing me. Yes, you're Ratatouille'ing me.

Grizzly

This is not your first time's infiltrating, you know, some sort of stronghold. So you make your way over to the door. Just as nobody is really looking and turning their heads in that direction, and you quickly [lock noises] open the door, get in, and as soon as you do, I'm just gonna see if she rolls a natural 20, she'll notice you come in.

Bizly

I did roll like a 43 last time.

Grizzly

So you get in quietly. She has not the perception, and she's too lost in her own mind palace to notice. You can shut the door, and you can library card it if you'd like.

Bizly

Yeah, sure. And I open up the library door, I go,

Chip

[quietly] Surprise.

Gillion

Surprise?

Chip

She's right there, surprise.

Aurora

Surprise?

Fish Cop

No, we should be forthcoming.

Jay

I agree we shouldn't surprise her.

Chip

Okay, but I don't know what if she has-

Fish Cop

Elder Celeste. Fish Cop.

Chip

Oh, my god.

Gillion

Oh. All right, yeah it's happening.

Charlie

Okay, we're doing it.

Grizzly

Yeah. You begin to walk out as Fish Cop calls out, she stops thinking to herself, she turns around rapidly, summons the silver trident, and then swirls it around and then points it at everybody in the group and takes this combat stance.

Bizly

I lift my arms up, a pair of arms go up underneath the trenchcoat.

[laughter]

Bizly

Sorry. I want to take it off in disguise as normal me, by the way.

Charlie

Pretzel puts all the tentacles up.

Condi

All four.

Grizzly

Her hood is down. You can see intricately, tightly braided white hair that makes patterns in the way that they are overlapped in the spaces in between. Her face is thin but sharp. Her eyes are narrow, but there's light that comes out of them as she looks around. She's a beautiful person and just like physically strong and imposing.

Celeste

One good reason, one good reason why I shouldn't stun you all here.

Gillion

I've got this.

Jay

Do you? I believe it, I think.

Gillion

I do.

Celeste

With the snap of a finger in the blink of an eye, I could summon us all to the audience chamber and begin prosecuting you.

Charlie

Okay, so I probably shouldn't say what I was gonna say.

Condi

What were you gonna say?

Charlie

Something along the lines of Baja Blast.

Condi

What?

Charlie

It's like, I was gonna say, like, one of the flavors. It just wouldn't have made any sense. We would have died.

Bizly

That's so funny. I was gonna say, I have the only way out. You're stuck in here.

Charlie

Okay, so, don't say that.

Bizly

I'm not gonna do that either.

Condi

That won't work, cause she can just snap her fingers.

Bizly

I know, I know.

Charlie

Okay.

Gillion

You've known me your whole life. I've been a failure, but I've never been a liar.

Celeste

You've been constantly unpredictable.

Gillion

I know, I know.

Celeste

And you remain to be so.

Gillion

And I'm sorry for that, but I've never lied to you. I've always tried my best, and there's going to be a coup.

Milo

[giggles slightly]

Charlie

Is the word funny?

Bizly

Yeah.

Condi

From one of the elders, not like us.

Charlie

I've said it to, oh, right. Oh, sorry. Oh, no god. Oh, god.

[laughter]

Milo

That's why I laughed.

Grizzly

[pew pew pew pew] No she's not-

Charlie

Ahhh!

Milo

No, no, no, no, no.

Condi

No, yeah, like instantly, like,

Jay

From one of the Elders, not us.

Charlie

Oh, yeah, that's what I meant, not from us.

Grizzly

Uh, Gillion.

Charlie

Yes.

Grizzly

With advantage, because Jay's helping.

Charlie

Thank you, by the way.

Grizzly

Persuasion.

Charlie

Persuasion. [rolls die] Okay. [rolls die again] Okay. 21.

Grizzly

She keeps the trident out.

Celeste

At ease. I sense something is awry. Explain. Where is the other one? The missing prisoner that was detained?

Jay

Edyn?

Gillion

Oh. There's--

Fish Cop

She blew up.

Grizzly

Fishcop says.

[laughter]

Gillion

Thank you, Fishcop. It's true.

Celeste

What?

Gillion

She blew up. Well, rather, she wasn't [pause] she wasn't Edyn. I will let my friend explain because there's a lot going on. And I think she's got the best grasp on it.

Condi

So many pages.

Jay

Where do I even begin? Let's start with Edyn. First of all, that was not Edyn. She was a doppelganger of Edyn sent here.

Celeste

A what?

Jay

A doppelganger.

Celeste

Explain.

Jay

The Navy has technology to--

Celeste

The what?

Jay

Technology?

Celeste

The Navy?

Jay

Navy, R.A.F.T.

Celeste

Oh, the Oversears.

Jay

Yeah, has technology to essentially duplicate another person with their memories to send them in undercover. And that is what Edyn was. They still have the true Edyn with them.

Gillion

Here, and if you're having trouble believing us, Zone of Truth!

[whoosh]

Charlie

I actually can't cast it because I'm not a paladin anymore. But I forgot that for a second.

Celeste

Fair idea.

Grizzly

And she [thung] and then this zone begins to [buzzing noise] It's like a it's like a miniature version of the diamond that's in-

Charlie

Yeah.

Grizzly

The council room or the council chamber.

Charlie

Yeah.

Grizzly

So everybody what's let me let me just pull up what that save is.

Charlie

I would auto fail it.

Condi

Auto fail, yeah.

Bizly

Auto fail it.

Milo

I would auto fail.

Grizzly

Oh.

Charlie

I think she also knows if we fail it or pass it.

Grizzly

Correct.

Charlie

So roll, I want to fail it.

Grizzly

Okay. She also fails.

Charlie

Pretzel's gonna roll a save.

Grizzly

Well, I guess you wouldn't know, but I'll tell you. Pretzel's resisting.

Charlie

What's the save on it?

Grizzly

DC 18.

Charlie

Wisdom or intelligence, or?

Grizzly

Charisma.

Charlie

Oh, yeah, I think Pretzel fails.

Celeste

The frogtopus tried to resist.

Gillion

What? Why would she, no, she'd never...

Jay

Pretzel.

Fish Cop

I also fail.

Gillion

[to Pretzel plushie] Stop resisting.

[laughter]

[Milo and Condi pretend to tase Pretzel]

Charlie

That's crazy.

Celeste

Repeat.

Grizzly

She asks you to repeat what you have said now in the zone, and you do so, I believe.

Jay

Yeah, I do. I do it.

Celeste

For what reason would a false Edyn be here and turn herself in?

Charlie

For the last 20 plus years, one of the elders has been working to try and sabotage not just the Undersea, not just the natural order, but the chosen one himself. And in order to do that, in order to get the power he searched for, he needed outside help. And that outside help came from R.A.F.T.

Celeste

You say he like you already know which Elder.

Jay

Yes.

Celeste

Before you speak further, I believe you believe you are telling the truth, but I require physical proof and proof that it hasn't been created by your own hands.

Jay

The elder in question had his memories removed, and the Edyn that you met was searching to extract them, getting them away from here. And I think it might have been to avoid a situation where he was in a zone of truth.

Celeste

Where were they hidden?

Jay

Within the archive, there's a secret room. And behind that door is where I believe he was hiding them.

Grizzly

Are you gonna show her the evidence?

Condi

Yeah. I'll present to her the Anemonemory.

Celeste

What is this?

Aurora

It transfers memory through these orbs. We've got many of them, but I believe the one that I viewed was quite damning.

Celeste

Memories can be modified. Are you able to prove that these weren't? I'm willing to see it.

Chip

We can say within the Zone that we didn't modify it.

Aurora

We did not.

Chip

It's the best we've got, I think.

Celeste

You're saying the evidence is in your mind?

Aurora

Yes.

Milo

Aurora lays a hand on her head and a bright twinkle kind of starts to form around her fingertips and then slowly wrap around her head, almost like the rings of Saturn. And they wisp around and around and around, and they come from this point from her finger and so and soon it [snap] severs and it floats there for a moment. She lifts it like a crown of stars off of her head and passes it to her.

Grizzly

No need for persuasion in a zone of truth. This one she knows works because it comes from her. And then it floats over and she simply just like, as she puts it on, her eyes begin to glow white. And then after a moment, they dim and the crown just sort of fades away or into stardust. She grits her teeth, starts to crack her neck.

Celeste

Anything else that you have, I would save for the trial.

Gillion

So that means you believe us?

Celeste

I am not particularly the most magical of the elders, but I have sensed for some time that there are gaps in my memory.

[all the players in unison] Oh.

Celeste

And this feeling is familiar enough to justify those feelings of mine.

Charlie

Oh, my god.

Milo

I was thinking 20 orbs is kind of crazy, for one dude.

Gillion

So does this mean you forgive me for cutting that guy's head off?

Grizzly

She looks at you, Gillion.

Celeste

Still, I can tell that your connection is broken. You have betrayed your oath, and you have broken laws. You've broken exile, even if such a banishment was possibly,

Grizzly

She looks so irritated.

Celeste

A mistake. What have you done?

Charlie

Oh, she's asking about like what I did to break them. Oh, fuck.

Bizly

You got this, bro.

Condi

You got this.

Charlie

Yeah, give me a second.

Bizly

All right.

Charlie

Not that it matters, we're in a zone of truth anyway, 'cause Gillion's not gonna lie, but...

Condi

Yeah.

Gillion

I had a choice. I had a choice between doing something that would serve all of you down here and doing something that would save a friend. And I made the choice. I thought was right. Because that friend is the only reason I'm here today. And I wish I regretted it more, but it's hard to regret it when I just found out someone's been feeding me stupid juice for 20 years. I wanted to give everything for this place, and I did, and then it threw me away. So I'm sorry. Maybe I'm just not worthy of those oaths anymore. I don't know if I ever could have been. That choice was taken from me. Whatever punishment you decide or the Elders decide for breaking them, I accept it with open arms.

Celeste

You have unleashed an evil.

Gillion

Yeah. Yeah, if we just want to cut right to it, I'm like the evil. Like the evil. Yes. Yes, I have.

Celeste

Such a prophesized evil. Everything that I have learned, it is undefeatable. However, a fitting punishment could never be fairly decided with one of the Elders being a shady fuck.

Charlie

Never heard her. I think even let that much slip before.

Celeste

Tell me something. How do you expect, even with memories and possibly doctored and tailored evidence, how do you expect to make not only myself, but the other elders who may be victims, and the people of the Undersea believe in you when you don't believe in yourself? You have no power to justify that your direction or your methods would for all we know, for all they will know by stepping into the zone, you have doomed us all.

Gillion

You're right. But I do have one thing, two actually. The right to remain silent and a really good lawyer.

[laughter]

Chip

We believe in him. I think a part of you does too.

Aurora

That memory, you were furious that he couldn't get it right. It's because you believe in him.

Celeste

I would never doubt the Leviathans. And they chose him. This I know to be true. However, as high as my expectations were, not only do I know you never met them, but I know why you never met them. If there are more of those memories, it means that I have failed as an Elder, a trainer, and a warrior, too blind by my own pride to see that such sabotage was happening in the shadows.

Gillion

If you had such faith in the Leviathans and our gods, then why were you the one to make the decision to cast me out?

Celeste

Ceredian proposed to us that we meet with an official from the Oversea and discuss the potential possibility of collaboration in the event of a calamity. Such a council was interrupted and never finished when you unexpectedly stormed in and struck such an official. I never wanted to give up on you. I would never give up on any of my, of any of the soldiers under me, any of the knights. Because I believe discipline, strength, it is only won through constant failure. A pearl requires a lot of pressure to be polished. Some require more than others. But at that point, the Elders were convinced, and myself, too, at the time.

Grizzly

She looks to, she sort of, like, stares off blankly as if she's trying to recall the meeting for your banishment.

Condi

I was actually about to ask about seeing that meeting.

Grizzly

And she sort of disassociates for a minute, and she tries to recall, like, the details of it of why it was decided and when and who.

Charlie

Yeah.

Celeste

This is another gap. All I remember is being convinced that you were too much of a liability.

Charlie

I think Gillion hears that and like, you could see he was getting tenser. His fists were closing. He was almost ready to, in this moment of Celeste being finally proven wrong about something to lay in, and he sees that. That she doesn't remember, and he loosens again and...

Gillion

[relieved sigh] I thought you all hated me. I thought you all hated me this whole time, even now, even until seconds ago. I was ready to just finally catch you wrong about something about me, it was all him. You don't remember, so it was all *him*.

Celeste

Convicting an Elder of treason would send the entire city into panic. If we cannot be trusted, how can any of our order, our structure, our past, we speak for the Leviathans and guide the people. It will be very, very, very, very difficult to sway or calm anyone with not only this information, the more that you might have, but whatever about the prophecy you were going to exclaim on your arrival.

Grizzly

She thinks.

Celeste

But if this is the truth, and you have all the cards, and that fool doesn't have anything else on his sleeve, the people must know. If it means new elders may be decided, one step at a time, I believe. Ceredian cannot continue to be on his seat, on the high pillar, the high pillar throne. And if this entity, this evil, has truly been released, then all of my feelings of something being wrong, we must begin preparation to shield Bubbletrench and warn the Leviathans at a time of calamity approaching. He must be dealt with first. Typically, in such a room, violence, aggression is disallowed. It would have to be attacked for defense to be justified. How confident are you that you could push him enough to reveal his truth? The truth. Even if he doesn't remember these things, there is that part of him that is ingrained in his soul. How confident are you that you could even convince the other elders? Without having to transfer a memory.

Celeste

How confident are you that you could sway the other leaders in the city, the forum? Because if you're confident you can do that, I will summon us all to trial.

Gillion

This place, I come back here and it's still the same. He can't see it coming. Call me to trial instead. Call us, he'll think he's won, and we'll flip the rules.

Celeste

You suggest I proceed as normal and try you as criminals. And you, a failed champion.

Gillion

Yes.

Celeste

And you're confident you could sway it in the other direction?

Gillion

Everyone knows how far I've fallen. We just have to show them why.

Grizzly

Very well. I presume you're ready. I will push hard to try you.

Gillion

You always did. If I get thirsty, during the trial,

[laughter]

Gillion

Could you give me something to drink?

Celeste

You really don't want to screw this one up.

Grizzly

And she [ding][black screen][Grizzly appears on screen again, now wearing a wizard robe] Now, in a flash, the blink of an eye, just as Elder Celeste said, you four, [shot of all the players wearing suits like it's Law and Order] with Fishcop at the rear, now stand in the central diamond of this audience council chamber. The very top of the Sea-tadel. Above you is that dome, that glass dome, the stained glass. You can even see as you look around, there are audience members here, Undersea citizens, Undersea leaders, Undersea officials. They all watch as the trial is about to begin. Gillion, you stand in the center. Jay, you stand in the front. Chip, I believe you stand to Gillion's right and Aurora to his left. There is a bit of murmuring and chatter, but as all the Elders together raise their hands, it silences. You hear Elder Celeste speak,

Celeste

The criminals have been detained once more, and the zone of truth has been properly inspected. Anyone inside the zone must speak true or accept the gravest of consequences. Though I would have preferred to prosecute the Tidestrider siblings together, she is missing,

while the rest of you have been found. We will begin the trial of Tidestrider v Bubbletrench. To be clear, since,

Grizzly

And she kind of like gestures to the rest of you, and she sort of like sorrowfully hovers over Fish Cop.

Celeste

Since you find yourself as accomplices to breaking exile, escaping a holding cell, and taking from the Elder Archives. Those in the Zone may speak on his behalf, but this conversation will be one singular speaker at a time. Your respective punishments post this trial have already been decided as banishment. Unless there are drastic shifts and justifiable reasons in your defense. Though the evidence against you, Gillion, is pretty damning. We will begin discussion around your first sin.

Grizzly

So she floats back into her chair and Allaroc, the turtle, floats a bit out of his.

Allaroc

[speaking super slow] Court is

Condi

Keep it together. Keep it together.

Allaroc

Now in

Charlie

Can I cast haste?

Allaroc

Session

Grizzly

Rings the bells on the staff that he holds, ding, ding, ding, floats back down. Ceredian floats upwards.

Charlie

Not a good start.

Odelath

[sighs] Gillion, you have not only broken exile, but all of us here can tell You have broken your oath as one of the gravest sins in Bubbletrench for any knight, including you, Fish Cop. How do you defend?

Grizzly

He sits back down in his chair. Seems almost like the light of the moon that shines through the glass spotlights you.

Gillion

Odelath, I'm pained to admit it, especially in front of the one who was there for me the most. But I have broken my oaths. However, based on what I've read about fish law in the past 20 minutes, I'm entitled to a lawyer and a defense. It's good to know you're here, but I'm going to let my lawyer, Jay Ferrin, take the stand in defense of me breaking my oaths to the undersea, to its people, and to you all.

Grizzly

The light switches back to him.

Odelath

Very well. This lawyer, please state your name for all in this chamber, and where, from where do you hail?

Jay

I am Jay of the Oversea, and I will be representing my client, Gillion Tidestrider, in all the proceedings to come today.

Grizzly

You hear there start to be a little bit of murmuring, like from the Oversea, from, is that even allowed? And then you hear once more the bells jingle.

Allaroc

Silence. Proceed.

Charlie

Elders, I stand before you today having learned a history, one which could be described as a forsaken hero who has admonished his oath, but from other points of view, one could view it as a tale of treachery, of treason, and of betrayal to the undersea, but not by my client, Elders. Rather, I ask if it was indeed Gillion who has let down the undersea, or yourselves.

Grizzly

Once again, there is chatter and a murmuring that starts to bubble up from around in the audience, these Undersea citizens. Allaroc jingles the bells,

Allaroc

Si-

Grizzly

He gets cut off by Ceredian's hands.

Odelath

Bold claim. You would seek to sow distrust among the Elders.

Grizzly

And then, Elder Celeste raises her hand.

Celeste

I would hear more of this claim as ridiculous as it may be. And what evidence you have to provide.

Grizzly

Ceredian looks over, shrugs, and then gets back in that, kind of floats back into the chair. Back to you.

Jay

Well, Celeste, I'm rather glad you asked. See, not long ago, as you may have noticed, me and my friends entered your archive. Look through your rooms, found all of your dirty little secrets. And let me tell you, you really leave things where you shouldn't leave them, easily found by anybody.

Charlie

I want to lean forward and look at Celeste and just like, glare.

Jay

It's a shame. You seem like such a careful woman. And yet,

Jay

I pull out of my bag a tape recorder, or a conch recorder.

Grizzly

Okay.

Jay

You would leave something like this so brazenly on your desk. As I say that, I give her a little smirk, press the button to play it, and I raise it up to the sky so all in this stadium can hear, basically.

Grizzly

The recording plays. Celeste's voice, revealing exactly what we had heard before.

Condi

Took says they're on their way, which is regarding us. A double crosser has been dropped off. We need witnesses in the council chamber that they need to falsify a misalignment with the zone of truth, forge a crime of lying, and something about something she's hidden, basically.

Grizzly

The room hears this, once again, murmurs rise. Elder Celeste juts forward,

Celeste

Hearsay. What proof is this, that this shell or this recording has not been crafted and planted by your own hands after escaping the holding cell?

Grizzly

And then the bells ring,

Allaroc

Silence. Order, order in the court. [ring, ring, ring, ring]

Grizzly

People begin to settle down in the moment.

Allaroc

Proceed.

Grizzly

Allaroc says. Took remains strangely quiet, and Ceredian looks wide-eyed, shocked.

[laughter]

Jay

A brazen question to ask me on a zone of truth, no less. So let me state it as clear as I possibly can. Me, nor anybody in my party, has fabricated any such thing.

Grizzly

Ceredian floats forward. Celeste looks like stunned. He holds his hand up and she respects it.

Odelath

Wow. I cannot say I was expecting this. Defense on Gillion being banished and breaking exile. So you would claim that whatever information Gillion so desperately needed to share was true and they did not want anyone to hear it. I think they should proceed.

Grizzly

The light switches back to you.

Jay

That is correct, Elder Odelath. And not just that, I would claim that some among the Elders have, for as long as Gillion has been the chosen one, would sabotage them. That they believe not in the religions of the undersea or the gods of the seas, but instead in sabotaging it and undermining Gillion's credibility. I would like to hand the floor to my new friend Aurora, who has found something in your office, Elder Allaroc.

Grizzly

The light switches back for one moment. Allaroc sort of drifts [slowly] slowly forward.

[laughter]

Allaroc

Proceed with evidence. State your name where you hail, for the record.

Grizzly

The light switches to you, Aurora.

Allaroc

I am Aurora Primrose. I hail from the Primrose Archipelago, and I reign as the current Archdruid. And I have found damning evidence that you have been giving Gillion Tidestrider, the chosen one, stupid and short juice for his entire life.

Grizzly

At this point, you can see on the face of Allaroc pure terror and shock. He has no idea what the fuck you're talking about, this old turtle.

Condi

This poor guy, I'm so sorry, Allaroc.

Milo

Sorry, bro, I found this in your place.

Grizzly

He's looking around at the other elders. Ceredian raises both hands to take it.

Odelath

Please, by all means, if you have evidence to prove this claim.

Aurora

In Allaroc's study, I found recipes. One moment.

Milo

You see she flips through.

Grizzly

Yeah.

Milo

Hundreds of pages.

Grizzly

While you're flipping through, can I just say that you guys notice that, so like the knights aren't around, and I think that you gage it might be a choice decision made by Elder Celeste.

Charlie

Oh.

Condi

Okay. Interesting.

Aurora

I found three small scrolls, all of which detailing odorless spices and dry poisons meant to inhibit development. After further research, I found that specifically they were made to slow brain development and height growth.

Condi

And everybody looks to Gillion. He's so small.

Charlie

[He's sunk down in his chair so he appears super short]

[laughter]

Milo

I have one more. I have one more thing.

Grizzly

Okay.

Aurora

I believe our short king was fed these for his entire life.

Grizzly

There is murmur. And you can kind of pick up. Well, I mean he is pretty short. But why would they do that? But that doesn't make any sense. And Ceredian once again takes the floor.

Odelath

Even if this is to be true, how can well you are in the zone, so it must be. The zone was checked, as stated at the introductory, and I'm curious, how would you have even been motivated to find such damning evidence after just arriving in the city and being put in a cell? Did you escape knowing that you would find these?

Jay

Sadly, the one who led us into your chambers can't be here today, for she wasn't even really who she said she was. Rather, she was was a doppelganger created by the Navy to do none less than kill Gillion Tidestrider, the chosen one.

Grizzly

It switches back over to them for a moment. Elder Celeste raises her hand.

Celeste

Yes, the Navy, which we all know is what they refer to themselves as in the Oversea, R.A.F.T. Even if somehow true, I fail to see how this defends Gillion breaking his oath to the Undersea.

Jay

Ooo, they're hitting me with irrelevancy.

Celeste

Relevancy.

Jay

Relevancy.

Celeste

Your defendant.

Grizzly

You hear some murmurs. Huh? Yeah. Good point. Maybe we still can. Maybe. Maybe they have made all this somehow and they believe that they believe.

Purple Grung

Well, I don't know. I mean, it's the Zone of Truth. You can't just fucking lie in that place.

Charlie

Who said that?

Grizzly

Those are just fucking people in the-

Charlie

Just people?

Grizzly

Yeah, but if you want me to point to a specific one, it's-

Charlie

Oh, it's just an interesting voice you chose.

[laughter]

Condi

Felipe.

Grizzly

Yeah. It's a purple grung.

Purple Grung

Well, I think we should kill him, though.

Charlie

Yeah, you hear him throw a dagger.

[laughter]

Grizzly

Can you imagine that's how he shows up?

Charlie

That'd be fucking insane.

Grizzly

No, I didn't plan for that sorry.

Jay

Elders, I promise, if you give me patience, all will come together. As I promise, everything I say and show here today does have a point. I do ask of you, though, do you four take the same oath that a knight of the Undersea would take?

Grizzly

It shines back on Elder Celeste.

Celeste

Despite the fact you are requesting I allow you to continue to essentially prosecute me and some of my fellow elders.

Grizzly

She eyes you in this way that's like, what the fuck are you doing?

Condi

I give her a little knowing smile.

Grizzly

And she says,

Celeste

To answer your question, we are not bound by an oath.

Condi

Damn.

Celeste

We instead take a long and arduous journey to earn the blessing of the Leviathans. The sea gods and children of not only the world but the moon, the sister goddess who created us all.

Jay

Those very same Leviathans that you would have killed to give R.A.F.T. For their power over the Undersea.

Grizzly

There's like a [nonsense words], I can't even, uproar.

Allaroc

Silence.

Grizzly

The bells ring.

Allaroc

[panicked noises]

Grizzly

Ceredian holds his hand out, calming or holding back Alorak's ecstatic reaction.

Odelath

Surely if a Leviathan sea god was killed, we would feel that imbalance here in Bubbletrench
How could you ever possibly prove such a claim?

Charlie

Quite simple. For once again, Celeste, you must be more careful. Fresh logbook on your desk.
It says here that R.A.F.T. Has been studying in the east, and after helping them slay the newly
found false Leviathan, you called it otherwise known as Dugon, they have found a way to
convert their power into an energy that they can use for themselves.

Gillion

Unforgivable.

Jay

Gillion here was actually friends with this new Leviathan. If he would like to take the stand.

Gillion

He didn't even have a chance to come around to me. He would have. I know it.

Jay

He's in the zone of truth. It's just facts.

Gillion

I just know it. It's true. A Leviathan is dead.

Chip

[gasps]

Gillion

The reason you felt no imbalance is because he laid outside our pantheon. Outside the five. I may have fed a sea serpent, a pearl from the Luxbris Clam, which was bad.

[laughter]

Gillion

But this creature was able to harness its power and turn it into into a Leviathan, transform into one of great power, one that when this plot was executed, the perpetrators knew would have no impact on our religion, as it was a newly born god. And I saw his head mounted in your offices.

Charlie

And you know what? If we're doing it, doing it, I'm going to cast Cast minor illusion, and I'm going to say.

Gillion

You would see our gods slain.

Charlie

And I will [psssh] cast minor illusion and create a, it's actually pretty big, it's like a five-foot cube, an image of exactly what I saw, Dugon's head removed from its body, mounted.

Grizzly

Yeah, you do so, although, just the fact that you stand in the zone and say this so clearly, so distinctly. Yeah, I think that that is enough to send this council, this chamber, into an uproar. I mean, people start to stand up and shout and wonder, like, what is the meaning of this? I thought that this was the, like, I thought we were prosecuting a failed champion for breaking oath. Why is there so much, like, evidence against the, I guess, so far, two of you. It is very confusing and starts to get a bit chaotic. So once again, you hear the bells. [ring, ring, ring, ring].

Allaroc

Order.

Grizzly

And it's much harder for Allaroc to even silence everyone in the audience. But eventually, the calm does come again. Ceredian floats forward, puts both hands up.

Odelath

Much of this information comes as a shock to myself and to all. However, I would like to hear, since we are only on the first sin, closing statements on how this all ties together. Why have you broken exile? Why have you broken oath? Why have you essentially come here to out lies and secrets of our peaceful and stable way of life?

Grizzly

And then he floats back down, kind of smirks, goes back to you Jay.

Jay

Elder Odelath. What I mean to say here today is that Gillion Tidestrider, champion of the Undersea, did not fail his oath by his own means, but rather he was set up to fail by you, the Elders. And not just that, among you are those who don't even believe in the values, principles, or even the prophecy of the Undersea that we reside in.

Gillion

I couldn't have known something was amiss. I was just a child for so long, kept only within that palace. But Celeste, you're always so hard on me, unrelenting in your challenge to turn me no matter how much pressure it was under, you were going to get that pearl. And how could I have known? How would I have known? I chanted your chants, prayed your prayers, ate your food, drank your drink. How was I supposed to know what you were hiding inside it? The only one who, no matter what, always seemed to be there was you, Odelath. You were the only one that was kind to me, that seemed to always be ready to pick me up when I would fall down. And I never stopped falling down. It was like a staircase, covered in butter. I rest.

Jay

And I thank you for mentioning Odelath because we found something in your office, too. We sadly do not have it here today, but within your notebook, you also had suspicions of the other Elders, of treason, of betrayal, of working with R.A.F.T. above to ruin the natural order of the undersea. So in its stead, I would like to invite you down here into the zone of truth to testify.

Grizzly

Whoa, okay, there's a bit of, how many times am I gonna come back over to me and say everybody's murmuring?

Condi

I don't know, we're dropping bombshells.

Grizzly

But there's some bombshells going on, and all three elders, minus Took, who just seems to kind of stand there with a mask and a hood.

Condi

Is he dead? Is he just dead?

[laughter]

Charlie

This guy does not know what's going on.

Grizzly

They just kind of stare and move. They don't move too much. The only time you've seen them move is when they did so during the last time that you were in this room. But Celeste and Allarok look towards Ceredian, Elder Odelath, and he doesn't even look back at them, just sort of holds his hands out. Hold his hands up.

Odelath

Order, order, everyone. Everyone, my people. My people. With a heavy heart, I have to say it's true. And I have had suspicions about the actions of the other elders.

Odelath

And he sort of looks like, hold on, roll insight everybody. I'll just have everybody roll insight.

Charlie

Natural 20.

Condi

No fucking way.

Milo

Oh, no way.

Grizzly

No fucking way.

Charlie

Natural 20.

Condi

You'd love to see that. I got an eight.

Charlie

What do I see?

Grizzly

Honestly, yeah, guilt. You see in the eyes, and you know him well now that you have one of his memories. You see that--so things he knows, you can see in his eyes that he knows that some things are missing in what's happening. It seems-- he almost seems just too proudly overconfident, and you would gage, maybe it's because he just doesn't have some memories that he was supposed to in this moment, but he knows this is how it's supposed to go.

Charlie

I see, I see, I see.

Grizzly

So he seems extremely cooperative and nonchalant. And so I think he finishes talking,

Odelath

I would move to a vote, not just to the Elders, but the entire chamber. Perhaps we should switch our focus, not on Gillion, but on us Elders. If such evidence is to be properly investigated, properly spotlighted, we can't prosecute the exiled chosen if the prosecutors are not to be trusted. All in the chamber, please say aye or nay.

Grizzly

You just hear the whole room go aye. Yeah.

Condi

What the fuck?

Grizzly

He begins to float down towards the zone, and he doesn't ever face the other elders, but instead he just sits, he gets on the very front tip of the diamond shape, and stands and just looks at you all. The light goes from him slash elders back to either one of you, Jay, Gillion, yeah.

Charlie

I just want to say something to him. As he floats down.

Gillion

I know the focus has shifted Odelath, but I still failed, and I'm sorry. I've failed so many times, and so many times I've thought and still think it shouldn't have been me. And so many times when I was young and you picked me up and you showed me what these oaths should mean, I thought it should have been you.

[laughter]

Grizzly

What a pass to dunk. Odelath, you guys are speaking very quietly, I assume, right? Or are you trying to let everyone hear this?

Charlie

I think Gillion would say this quietly to Odelath.

Grizzly

The way that this works in the chamber is that the light that shines through the glass, if it's not on you in this chamber, you are pretty much silenced.

Charlie

Yes.

Grizzly

Not like actually magically silenced, 'cause otherwise you wouldn't hear murmurs and such. Everyone has the impression that's how the rules work, that is how the order works. So in the transition of the light, you say this as it follows him, he hears you quietly, and he just looks solemnly at you and puts a hand on your face.

Odelath

Even if you've lost the connection, I still believe. I still believe you'll find it again. And I'm glad it chose you, but if it's too much, we'll figure something out.

Gillion

Thank you.

Milo

Is he standing on the zone of truth when he says that, or is he still above that?

Grizzly

He is in the zone of truth when he speaks to Gillion. But another thing you got on the natural 20, not only does he most certainly believe this is how it's supposed to go, you know that he's most certainly got a card up his sleeve.

Charlie

Oh, fuck.

Milo

We gotta find the card.

Charlie

The card might be that he can lie on the zone.

Bizly

Yeah.

Milo

Woof.

Condi

Which could, that paints a little bit of a different picture for us.

Charlie

Oh, shit.

Condi

That kills them.

Charlie

We might have accidentally just, I mean, we might have, oops.

[laughter]

Condi

No, don't worry, don't worry, don't worry. No, don't worry.

Milo

I'd like to insight check him saying that he wishes, or he's glad that Gillion is the chosen one.

Grizzly

All right, grand. Insight check.

Milo

That's a 16.

Grizzly

Most I can tell you is this. He got in the zone. You believe 100% he told the truth because he's in the zone. I'll also tell you that I just rolled a natural 20 on something.

Condi

Okay.

Grizzly

Natural 20. Can't even make it up. I rolled it.

Charlie

Oh, fuck.

Grizzly

Nat 20. You wouldn't know who would know if you choose to like break the zone or the law of it, you wouldn't know who would know that.

Charlie

What if we just keep them from finding the marbles ever again?

Milo

We could, dude, we change it.

Charlie

What if we just accept that we accidentally overthrew the government and we keep him from the marbles always.

Condi

No, no, don't worry about it, okay?

Charlie

Okay.

Condi

Don't worry about it.

Charlie

It's just not looking good.

Condi

No, it's fine. Have faith, my friends.

Grizzly

So, okay, after he says this to Gill.

Odelath

I am cooperative, ask any questions that you need from me. And all I say, my people, as this is not the first time that I have stepped down from my throne to join you. I will be truthful.

Grizzly

Back to you, Jay.

Jay

Thank you, Elder Odelath. I would like to give the floor to Chip, who is rather an expert at cross-examining.

Chip

Elder Odelath, if that is your real name.

Grizzly

Are you a fish?

[laughter]

Charlie

Oh, fuck.

Condi

You sure are.

Milo

[making a fish with hands] Elder Odelath.

Bizly

Yes.

Chip

A terrible injustice has taken place. Please enlighten us all on the damning things you've found.

Odelath

Well, I started having my suspicions once Gillion was irrevocably banished. Suddenly, It felt as if the decision was made despite my concerns. I asked them to reconsider because banishing the hero might give the impression we don't believe in the prophecy. And to me it seemed that perhaps it wasn't the prophecy they didn't believe in, but just the choice the Leviathans made and they doubted the Chosen One. And so, I began to do research into ancient history. And as I was doing so, I found things. I found things that could change our way of life, the way our culture is, the separation we have. It could push us forward, bring us progress, bring us more connection. Even outside Bubbletrench, but the other Elders, the other Elders don't believe that anyone, anyone except for those below the surface can be trusted. And without a chosen one in the event of calamity, we would have to find some other way to survive. They had me do something. But I'm having trouble remembering.

Odelath

I can't even remember the history that I studied. And when I was motivated to find the research again, it was all gone. All that history, nothing I could find. I could find nothing. And I never managed to find such damning evidence as you have. It is part of our agreement and tradition that we trust each other blindly, as we trust the decisions of the Leviathans. They chose us to be the Elders, so why would I ever, ever enter another Elder's study or private chambers or question them at all, as I'm sure they would never question me.

Grizzly

The light goes back to you, Chip.

Chip

Very interesting. This lack of memory. What would you say is the cause of that? Why would you lose these memories?

Odelath

I have had suspicions. As a powerful mage myself, scholar and sorcerer, there is such a spell, such an enchantment. Modify memory is one of the most powerful magics, in existence. And if anyone would be close enough to the divine to not only see the future but control the present, I believe, though I have no proof, Elder Took wants to control the history, the present, and the future. And that includes controlling all of our memories. But I don't have proof, only my feelings.

Chip

The banishment, it seems like that was a turning point for the Elders and all of you here in the Undersea. What do you remember about the banishment?

Odelath

I remember a conversation we had considered because of the danger because Gillion's development as the Chosen was low, and there was uncertainty about whether or not he could, he would be ready in time should calamity, should the prophecy arrive in our time. I remember we were speaking. It was after we had met with someone above, Gillion, charged and sensed evil. After that, struck without permission or direction. After that, we held a private meeting. This is when they spoke that communication with the Oversea was pointless. And they were convinced at that moment that the Chosen was too unpredictable, and the consensus for the safety of Bubbletrench was banishment.

Chip

They, can you be more specific? Could you tell us who specifically made the decision?

Odelath

Why, my fellow Elders. We usually, we make these decisions together, but it is Typically a majority vote. I would never vote to banish Gillion. But Elder Celeste pushed hard, being the one with the most experience in training him, seeing how much he had screwed up in her own words.

Chip

So you voted no. But you were overruled by the other three elders, mainly Celeste. Celeste, I'd like to give you the floor and perhaps explain that decision.

Grizzly

Elder Odelath looks at you, raises an eyebrow, and before he speaks, the light shines on Elder Celeste.

Celeste

Very well.

Grizzly

And then she begins to float down. Elder Odelath, I guess, steps to, I guess he'll float back up to his chair at that point. She stands in the zone. She looks at everyone, looks in the chamber, and then turns around to look at the Elders. And then she looks forward. And then she turns back around to look at you, Chip.

Chip

Elder Celeste, the banishment, a terrible moment for all the people of the undersea. Why did you push so hard for it? Why did you seek to banish the Chosen One? Is it because you yourself did not believe in the prophecy? And sought to get rid of the Leviathans and the old ways.

Celeste

First of all, consider me impressed that you and your group have somehow managed to take complete control over this council. I truthfully can say I have never doubted the prophecy nor the Leviathans. I do remember feeling doubt of the chosen one, but never doubt in the prophecy or the Leviathans. My doubt, my worry was that I only remember feeling like he had to be banished. I don't remember the conversation that Odelath speaks of.

Grizzly

You hear people start to mumble. Odelath looks around, begins to raise his hand, but I'm gonna say that the light actually switches back to you.

[Milo whispers something to Bizly]

Chip

Aha!

Grizzly

Ah, fuck! Everyone jumps, including me.

Chip

You don't remember?

Celeste

Correct. I too have gaps in my memory.

Grizzly

The chatter picks up, light shines on Allaroc who says,

Allaroc

Order. [Ring, ring, ring]

Grizzly

Light moves back to you, Chip.

Jay

Sorry, can I?

Condi

I put my hand up actually.

Grizzly

Light moves back to you, Jay.

Jay

Sorry, can we just get a wellness check on Took?

[laughter]

Chip

Please, a wellness check in the court.

Jay

They just haven't moved at all.

Gillion

If it pleases the court.

Jay

If it pleases the court, check for his pulse.

Milo

Is bro good?

Jay

Check their pulse.

Chip

A wellness check or a treachery check? Took you're accused by one of the elders of tampering with memories. First of Odelath, but now Celeste seems to not remember the moment of great importance that was the banishing of the Chosen One. Now why would that be? Perhaps it was not a huge fucking deal like it really seems to be. Or perhaps her memories were altered.

Grizzly

Light shines on Took.

[laughter]

Bizly

You gotta do it.

Condi

I'm so curious.

Took

Hmmm.

[laughter]

Charlie

Yeah, okay. Thought so.

Condi

Oh, they're alive. Good.

Grizzly

That's all they say.

Condi

Okay.

Chip

Remember, elders, you are compelled by the magic in here to tell the truth and only the truth. Nothing but the truth. So help you gods. I ask you-

[laughter]

Chip

I ask you this, in front of your people, How did you vote on the Chosen One matter? Did you vote to banish? Yay or nay?

Grizzly

Light switches on to-- it kind of moves to Took and then Allaroc, but Odelath holds his hands and it kind of fades over to him.

Odelath

I am confused. I thought that we were--I thought that we were trying to prove...

Grizzly

And then he stops for a moment as the two, Allaroc and Took begin to float over to the zone. And they stand in the zone. Allaroc speaks first. Next is Celeste. They all kind of turn back and look up at the pillars.

Allaroc

I voted.

[laughter]

Charlie

Can I cast haste on him?

[laughter]

Bizly

Please!

Gillion

Put the light on me. Put the light on me. With the permission of the court, may I please cast haste on Elder Allaroc?

Allaroc

Ye-

Charlie

Got it. I'm going to use a third level spell slot and I'm going to cast haste on him. He starts ringing the bell, [ding, ding, ding, ding, ding, ding, ding, ding, ding, ding] faster and faster. Like he's just had like a 1000 milligram caffeine pill. Steam starts coming out of his shell.

Grizzly

How long does it last?

Charlie

One minute.

Grizzly

As fast as he's moving the bell, as his lip is trembling as well.

Allaroc

I voted yes, but I barely remember the conversation, but that's normal for me.

Grizzly

Took speaks next.

Took

Hmm. Remember, I do, decision I made. Yes, I said, why I do not. Remember why I do not.

Grizzly

Light switches to you, Gill.

Gillion

Are you telling me? Are you telling me that none of you remember why you banished me?

Bizly

Back to me.

Chip

Quite interesting that the only one who seems to remember why they chose to banish Gillion, the circumstances surrounding it, was Elder [he points at him] Odelath.

Grizzly

Uh, he looks, like, shocked.

Bizly

Fucking back to me.

Grizzly

Then people, like, people start to murmur. It goes back to you.

Chip

I would like to pass the floor back to our great lawyer, who might have another piece of evidence that would shed light upon the situation.

Grizzly

Light goes to...

Bizly

Pound it.

[Bizly and Milo fist bump]

Gillion

[holding his head] None of them.

Chip

One of them.

Gillion

One of them.

Aurora

One of them.

Gillion

Just another Tuesday, a new day.[laughs and then devolves to screams]

Jay

And I would like to dismiss you three elders once again and invite Odelath back down.

Grizzly

The three elders float back up to their seats. Odelath, light shines on him.

Odelath

Corrects me if I'm wrong. If I understand how the situation has shifted, you mean to accuse me of betraying not only the Elders but the Undersea and the entirety.

Jay

I wish to uncover the history of corruption within the Undersea itself. Your guilt, we will see.

Grizzly

Do you think he should be in the zone for this?

Condi

Yes, I do want him to come down to the zone.

Grizzly

People stare at him expectantly. He sort of hesitates, looks around. The other Elders look at him, he says,

Odelath

This doesn't make any sense. This doesn't make any sense how I'd be the only one to remember.

Bizly

Yeah.

Odelath

It almost feels as if I'm being framed.

Grizzly

And he begins to float down to the zone.

Odelath

But I've cooperated so far and I don't intend to not.

Grizzly

So he's in this zone.

Jay

Thank you, Elder Odelath. Memory is a fickle thing, isn't it? Seems like comes and goes, just like the currents in the seas, huh? I would like to produce an object and ask you if you have ever seen it before.

Condi

And I pull out the Anemonemory [he keeps trying to pronounce it]

Bizly

Anemonemory.

Condi

Anemonemory.

Charlie

Anemonemory.

Jay

Do you know what this object is?

Grizzly

He looks at it.

Odelath

I am the lead of all knowledge here. In Bubbletrench, there is not a single artifact from our museums or our vaults that I do not know. Are you saying this is what has been used to manipulate all of us?

Charlie

That is indeed what I am saying. And not just that, throughout this hearing, I presented evidence of the Elders to the Elders that paints a damning picture, one of treachery, betrayal, but one that's awfully convenient, isn't it? In every room we went into, evidence right there on the desk, as if somebody wanted it to be found. And once we went back in afterwards, going back into your office to find your notebook, it had disappeared. And in its place, sloppy old you must have just forgotten it. This here memory manipulator. You might recall that earlier,

Charlie

Or you might not.

Jay

Maybe you don't if your memory is particularly bad. That earlier we had said that Edyn, the one who had joined us in the cell just earlier today, was a doppelganger. Well, upon dispatching her, we happened to find on her person a bunch of marbles, produced by this very same memory manipulator.

[gooshing sound as Gillion holds out the Anemonemory]

Bizly

I open my mouth, one falls out.

Charlie

And upon inspection, and I swear it upon this zone of truth, they contained memories that belonged to you, Odelath. And not just memories of some hearing where you voted to banish Gillon Tidesrider from the Undersea. No, rather, memories of you meeting with my grandmother, the Admiral of R.A.F.T.,

Gillion

[freaking out] What the fuck??

Charlie

Teaching her how to slay a Leviathan, conniving with her on how to bring this false Edyn here, and to set not only your other Elders, but us up for a perfect plan. Man, but you know, sometimes dominoes fall sideways.

Condi

You know, it's like a metaphor. It's like a metaphor, guys.

Milo

No, honestly bars.

Charlie

Does a domino usually fall sideways or does it usually fall forward?

Condi

No, no, not really. Like, sometimes they'll fall sideways and miss the next domino.

Charlie

Which is the right way of the domino?

Condi

I don't know.

Bizly

It's forwards, backwards, but sometimes, I think what he's saying is like, if you got a bunch of dominoes, sometimes it like...

Condi

Sometime they fucking-

Charlie

Oh, they offset.

Condi

Sometimes they fuck up.

Bizly

My client would like to answer no further questions about the bit.

Condi

Thank you.

Milo

I'd like to say bars.

Grizzly

The light switches to Odelath.

Odelath

I am shocked. It seems as if what I thought was going to be revealed that three of the Elder council were not to be trusted, I am on the back foot and must defend myself. In that case, I'd like to ask you all to leave the zone as I call another witness to the zone.

Charlie

As I see him do this, do I get the sense that this is the ace?

Grizzly

You do.

Charlie

Oh, okay.

Bizly

Both sides can examine a witness, so if he gets to do it, we get to do it.

Charlie

Well, it is fish rules.

Bizly

Fuck, okay.

Charlie

So I don't know-

Milo

What the fuck does fish rules mean?

Charlie

I don't know.

Milo

You're the fish.

Charlie

He could have made me forget all the fish rules.

Bizly

Any rules.

Milo

[groans]

Odelath

I'd like to call daughter of Queen Ashlynn of the Atlantic Order, Princess Aslana to the zone.

Milo

What?

Charlie

What?

Condi

What?

Grizzly

You guys see the doors open and swimming in, mermaid, turquoise hair, you see your young friend, or old friend, Aslana swim towards the zone. Everybody that knows her, so I guess Aurora, you know what, fuck it, Aurora, everybody roll insight.

Condi

Yeah.

Charlie

Okay. Yeah, oh I missed you Aslana. It's so good to see you.

Condi

Wait, is that a natural 20? That's a natural 20.

Bizly

Four.

Milo

Eighteen.

Charlie

Probably, like, a whatever the fuck...

[laughter]

Charlie

Thirteen.

Grizzly

With the natural 20 on insight, Jay, you can tell something's not right.

Charlie

No, no, he got to her!

Grizzly

100% is missing memories, or there's just a glaze over her vision that there's not that sparkle of happiness and joy and whimsy and optimism that there once was.

Charlie

What the fuck? Give me the light. What the fuck? Take away the light?

Grizzly

Light shines on Elder Odelath.

Odelath

Princess Aslana, is it not true that you have spent time in the Overseas as is the different laws of your side of the world.

Grizzly

[He turns off the light] Oh, right. It's just me.

[laughter]

Grizzly

I was gonna switch the lights, to Aslana and it's actually just me. Light moves over to her, she says,

Aslana

This is true.

Condi

Can you do a left and right thing?

Grizzly

No. I can take the hood on and off.

Condi

Yeah.

Odelath

Is it not true that you have encountered this group once before in your life, in your travels? Before you ever came to Bubbletrench with your mother.

Aslana

This is also true. Other than the genasi and the knight, they were not originally part of the group.

Odelath

Aslana, after discussion with you and consoling you about your mother, the Queen, I believe you've told me much about your journey. Is it not true that this group are what is known as pirates in the oversea which are worldwide criminals?

Aslana

Yes.

Charlie

[laughs] Sorry the hood got me.

Odelath

Is it not also true that they have attacked and terrorized innocents of the central capital city above the sea?

Gillion

Jay, I need you here.

Grizzly

She says,

Aslana

They attacked R.A.F.T., the world government, once before, and it's true, innocents were put in danger, as far as I'm aware.

Odelath

And you,

Grizzly

Points his finger.

Odelath

You are directly related to this so-called Admiral who seeks to, as you've said, destroy our gods, how can we not be convinced that all of this, all of this is a long-term plan to disrupt our governments, our way of life, to overthrow us as you have tried to do, the surface above, and so cunningly you would frame me after pretending to frame the other Elders. Why? Why? My people, how can we trust anything that has been gamed here? Princesses Aslana, I'm sorry if they have ever hurt or threatened you. I have no further questions.

Grizzly

And people around look kind of terrified for a second of all of you. He says,

Odelath

I have given my life to the city and its people. I'm the head of this people. I speak for you, I share my knowledge, I learn from you, I know your names, your mother's names, your mother's mother's names. Why in any world would I turn my back on the elders, the sea gods, our way of life when strangers to our city, criminals everywhere come here, and their first order of business is to sow distrust and cause chaos.

Grizzly

You guys are free to enter the zone.

Chip

Interesting, Elder Odelath. How the moment we accuse the other Elders, you stand ready in testimony. The second we look to you, you seek to throw off the conversation. It's true. I am a pirate.

Grizzly

Would you remove your bandana?

Bizly

Yeah, but then it just makes me a fish.

[laughter]

Grizzly

Right, right, right.

Condi

Yeah, his bandana makes him look like a pirate.

Grizzly

Wait, wait, wait, your bandana was already off, right?

Bizly

Yeah.

Condi

You could put it on, maybe.

Bizly

Yeah, I can put it, I can use the bandana to show that I'm a pirate.

Grizzly

Okay, cool. People gasp.

Chip

Some in the Oversea may call me a criminal, but others have called us heroes. Really doesn't matter, though, in the zone of truth, does it? One can't lie either way. And the one who has put the zone, if I understand the magic shit right, would know if I was lying, which I haven't.

Grizzly

Odelath raises his hands.

Odelath

I believe because we are constantly throwing the ball back and forth on who can and cannot be trusted here in the chamber, I believe we should let the people vote on whose story they believe the most.

Grizzly

And then Elder Celeste puts a hand up and says,

Celeste

I disagree. Took, you are required to tell us if anyone has stepped into the zone and chosen to lie. Something was said that has made me curious, and I wish to know if the zone is still pure.

Grizzly

The light shines on Took.

Took

Hmm. Tell you, I cannot.

Celeste

Why?

Grizzly

And you see Odelath look up at the sky, like at the, not at the sky, but at the glass dome.

Took

Prohibited, I am.

Gillion

He switched the moon.

Condi

No, I don't really think so.

Charlie

Yes, because give me the light. The zone only works when touched by moonlight. So he switched the moon. It's not moonlight.

Bizly

Like despicable me.

Milo

Ba boy.

Bizly

He took the moon. You think there are minions?

Charlie

It makes sense.

Milo

No.

Condi

It doesn't, it doesn't.

Bizly

Okay. Where are the minions?

Charlie

Wait, have any of us actually tried to lie in the zone?

Bizly

No.

Condi

No. Do you wanna take the risk?

Milo

What if you [Finn voice] blow up?

[laughter]

Condi

Oh, god.

Jay

Celeste, if I may, I'd like to try something. My name is Gillion Tidestrider.

Gillion

What?

Grizzly

You have to make a save before you try to lie.

Condi

Okay. What's the save?

Aurora

I know what I want to eat for breakfast tomorrow.

Grizzly

It's a charisma saving throw.

Condi

Okay.

Grizzly

DC 25.

Condi

I got a dirty 20. I can't actually lie then.

Grizzly

You can't speak a deliberate lie while in the zone.

Condi

Okay.

Grizzly

So you're not able to say,

Charlie

Oh, you just can't even.

Grizzly

No, you just can't.

Milo

Oh, you can't throw.

Condi

Okay.

Milo

Okay.

Grizzly

You can't.

Condi

Okay.

Jay

My name is G-, okay, so I tried to lie. Didn't really work. So continue with your reasoning. Celeste, why is Took prohibited?

Chip

I'd love to know.

Jay

I really need to know.

Gillion

Like, seriously.

Grizzly

I would also like to know why you are prohibited. Took says,

Took

I don't know where I am. Spell, possibly. Try, I do. Speak, I cannot.

Celeste

So that doesn't add up. Because earlier you told me, the zone was false. But now you are unable to speak of the zone's true purity at all. A spell you are under. We have a self-proclaimed sorcerer, one of the greatest in our entire city. I am beginning to think and believe that you yourself if Elder Odelath have not been entirely truthful. If there was going to be a vote, mine would be against you.

Grizzly

And the entire room begins to, like, bubble once more. Would anybody like the light?

Charlie

I would like to swim.

Condi

Hmm.

Charlie

Is this permitted?

Grizzly

You guys also still, you guys have, you guys have, you have an extra witness yourself. Fish Cop has not taken the stone.

Condi

It's true.

Gillion

Am I permitted to swim? Breast stroke.

Grizzly

Ceredian looks sort of disappointed at Celeste. After he tried to sway everyone against you, she chooses to be against him. He looks over at the other Elders. Obviously, you can't really see what Took feels, but Allaroc is also like double taking him after what Celeste said. Allaroc says,

Allaroc

Permitted to breast stroke!

Grizzly

It's probably actually,

Condi

It's probably gone by now.

Allaroc

[extremely slow] Perm-

Charlie

Oh yeah, no, he's actually, he goes into lethargy.

Allaroc

[His head droops]

[laughter]

Charlie

So he's slower.

Grizzly

You hear Took say,

Took

Permitted!

Gillion

Very well.

Charlie

[He starts miming that he's swimming] Going somewhere with it.

Bizly

The moon.

Condi

You into the moon?

[laughter]

Bizly

Going to check. I go with him, we go check the moon. We go and check the moon. Someone took it.

Charlie

No, I'm not going to check the moon. I'm not going to check the moon.

Bizly

Steve Carell.

Charlie

But speaking of Took it,

Bizly

Oh,

Charlie

I'm going to swim up to Took.

Gillion

This whole thing is fucking kangaroo court.

Charlie

And I see that no one has a reaction, and I go,

Gillion

Uh, so what's like a underwater kangaroo?

Allaroc

Jellyfish?

Chip

Just a jellyfish.

Aurora

Jellyfish court.

Gillion

Yeah, jellyfish. Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah. This whole thing is a fucking jellyfish jury.

Charlie

And then they all gasp. But I turned to Took.

Gillion

You are the only person with authority here to know who said what on the circle. So tell us, big dog. And I pull out the anti-magic pin and I click it.

Milo

Whoa!

Grizzly

Whoa! Fuck!

Grizzly

You absolutely can anti-magic on Took. They've been really still this entire time, but once you click the anti-magic pin on, they almost float back into a state of consciousness. They look over, point their finger at Elder Odelath.

Took

Liar!

Milo

Oh, yeah!

Chip

I fucking knew it! I knew it! I knew it!

Jay

We knew it!

Chip

Get him! Get him!

Jay

No, hey, wait, wait, wait, wait. This is a court of law, Chip.

Took

Resisted the zone he has! Betrayed the Undersea!

Charlie

Um, give me the, give me the light, give me the light.

Gillion

Elder Odelath, I insist! Stop resisting!

Charlie

I start swimming towards him.

Grizzly

Holy shit. Holy shit, you start moving towards him. I'm just gonna say fucking roll initiative!

[cheers from the players]

Grizzly

That's where we're gonna end this session!

Grizzly

[all the players] Wooooo!

Bizly

But if you wanna watch the next episode, it is already live right now at our website, jrwishow.com, where you can watch it right now. Go and watch it along with the Just Rolled With It, where we will discuss many things. About this episode, goodbye.

Charlie

Oh, who let this drink spill over this cord? [pretends to get electrocuted as the lights flash]

Grizzly

OBJECTION! Hey, everybody. Welcome to the end of the episode. I hope you enjoyed that trial, and I hope you will enjoy all of the chaos that is to come. Now, I'm going to thank all the members in our \$50 tier on our website, and then on to our patrons on our Patreon. Okay, let's do the shout-outs! Thank you guys so much, but thank you, especially, and more specifically to those who have given us money.

Grizzly

The Goopy Fox, Peber, M Just M, Jinko, AaronUVA, Scarlett and Dravy, Ashhasleft, Staxolotl, Strongbond_cosplay, Dazeo -

Bizly

[- get out of the way!]

Grizzly

[Oh, shit.]

Bizly

[I'll do it from here.] Dazeo, Sunny.q.light, IdakySensei, AmandaRinsWife Clementine, [my wife?]

Grizzly

[Thanks, Clementine.]

Bizly

Condi-Non-Fiction, [holy shit.] FallenBeck, Crangaelious, NoadtheToad. Canonical JRWI Jesus -

Grizzly

[Jesus!]

Bizly

[Ooh.]

Grizzly

[In the house!]

Bizly

[J.C.]

Grizzly

[J.C.]

Bizly

OneAndAHalfKiwis. [You got this - why do you have this in screenshots?]

Grizzly

[Alright my turn, my turn.] Mr. Nacho. Illuvia or Illuvia.

Bizly

[Faster!]

Grizzly

[stuttering] Reeddo. [Fuck, you fucked me up.] Reeddo...Dido. [No, shit, I can't even say it now.] Reeddo Dido. [Shit, dude!]

[laughter]

Grizzly

Reedodeedo. [I've said it right, like five times, but I keep thinking it's two O's instead of one.] rovarok, soupdawg, Mini Big Boy, GhandiSharma, AsteriaNix, JamVolker, F8Breaker, GingerMallow, almajor, Titan Storm, Roober, SpeciousBroom23, Hentologist, Pezza, Bobo the Jackalope. StealthyBre -

Bizly

[Stop to breathe.]

Grizzly

Grey Gaston. Domo. MoonsAlibi. Cornier Comet. melmel. Amberlynn Danger. Expoogaloo. DarlingSongbird. swirly is a guest on jrwi. beans. Cinnabunny 03. Mr_C-StupidSoupDrinker. Frogonaut1618. Inigo Devilin, Crankymarten, Calz, InsomniaDraws. AraTheKing. It_Demo. ElvishCyborg. Skylabber. Bazzozo. AWE50MEMAN. TooniLooni, bluealienfox, Wildjames,

DJ1001, AerynMoment, Bebs0n, JoyKey, Caffeine Connoisseur, Bran_Nyan, UnstableKha0ticCracker.

Bizly

[You're just like me!]

Grizzly

AlienCorginator. TheJame, sumpfe, ItsAlbert, teenie_Ghosts. Stinkyman. jasonthefricker. Joshua Mills. mewdragonlord101. tiredeldritchhorror. Mylern, NoctecPaladin, ImRollingCuh, Narwhal sh-

[Laughter]

Grizzly

[What? "imRollingCuh". Relax, bro. It's their username. Jesus Christ, bro.]

Bizly

[I don't think you can say that.]

Grizzly

[I can't. I can't, but it's their username.]

Grizzly

Narwhal shellfish, MarioCraft6000. Hiibiskus. [I'm too tired, Condi, tag in.]

Condi

[Yeah, what's up? What's the next one?]

Grizzly

[Right here.]

Condi

AHHHHHHHH! KatusBatus, Caspians-BF-Rhydian, thethelootgoblin, AlastorSusi, TheRetrolizer. jojo_jordyn123. avii_e. Kronus513. vaporslash. MrMustelid, dev_the_dolphin, CHEESUS.

Grizzly

[Moving on to the Patreon. Big shout out to-] rezd, Norimi. Lukatoni71. chief, LuckyTopHat. Justaguy. Basic_Blurr. AraTheKing, Inferno. Viper_Hypnotic. ImJustABirb. Lightning Death Bringer. Morbius. Oliverloille. MrCee. It's Cfr3sh. Me4EverM8. Dylan McNally. beans, Shrimps is Bugs. Mr. Nacho, BossGoat. [And finally, guys, say it with me. It's Jay Newell.]

Bizly

[Jay Newell?]

Grizzly

[Yeah.]

Bizly

[I fucking love Jay Newell.]

Grizzly

[Is it Jay NEW-uhl?]

Condi

[Fuckin'. Dude. Jay Newell.]

Grizzly

[I've been saying New-ELL.]

Grizzly

[Aw, I've been saying NEW-uhl.]

Bizly

[Have you been saying "New-ELL"?]

Condi

[Yeah, dude, it's "NEW-uhl".]

Grizzly

[Fuck. Cut this out. Please, dear god, cut this out.]

Condi

[No, it's definitely "NEW-uhl."]

Grizzly

[No way.]

Bizly

[Yeah.]

Condi

[I swear it's -]

Grizzly

[Jay, is it really that, Jay?]

Condi

[It's got to be "NEW-uhl."]

Grizzly

[Okay, last but not least.]

Grizzly/Condi

Jay Newell.

Bizly

Jay New-ELL.

Condi

[What?]

[laughter]

Grizzly

[He got my ass. Thanks for watching the video. I mean, the episode. Fuck, whatever.]