

Lights up on a late night talk show set. Carl and Mary are seated at the desk. Mary says nothing, but keeps reaching into her handbag.

Carl

Welcome back to Murder Suicide. The show where my wife and I host and it's called Murder Suicide.

(to the band)

How are you guys doing?

Cut to the band. They're all spooked as hell.

Bandleader

...Good.

Carl

I had a good weekend. Did you?

Bandleader

Yes.

Carl

Good.

Let's bring out our first guest.

A man walks out

Man

Hi

Carl

Hi

Long pause

Man

Please don't-

Carl

Tell us about your book.

Man

I don't have a book.

Carl
You should.
Goodbye.

Man
Ok. Bye.

Man backs out.

Carl
Let's look at some wacky headlines.
(he takes out a card with a headline and article on it. It reads "Two dead in murder suicide."
Note that Carl says "ha ha". He does not laugh.)
Wow, check out this guy who killed his boss and himself. His last name was "Cat." Ha ha, he's not a cat.
(another card. It reads "Mrder Suicide claims two lives")
Oh, man these guys can't even spell "murder." Ha ha. It's not hard, guys.
(another card. It says "Murder Suicides on the rise.")
That's not all that's on the rise. Right, band?

Shot of the band. They are terrified and confused.

Carl
Well, that's all the time we have. We'll see you. Maybe.

Wife
Death stalks us all!

Fin.