# <u>Henchman</u>

"Out of My Mind and Into Yours"

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## EXT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - MORNING

The sun is slowly rising as we see a car pulling in to the parking lot.

# INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - MORNING

The villainous employees of BruttalCo are sitting at the conference table, looking sleepy, chatting quietly amongst themselves.

The senior staff, consisting of CHAZZ MCFRESH, a young, hip marketing guru, DR. GUTTS, a collection of internal organs and viscera inside the viewing window of a robot, and HELEN EARTH, a malevolent looking, steely-eyed, middle-aged woman, are seated near the podium, which is empty.

The mutant henchmen, consisting of BULLY, an anthropomorphic bull and PIGBIG, a giant, slavish, anthropomorphic potbellied pig, are sitting further away.

The door opens and YAKMAN, an anthropomorphic yak, walks in.

CHAZZ

You're late.

Yakman looks at the clock. It reads 8:55.

YAKMAN

No I'm not. I'm five minutes early.

CHAZZ

Well, you're the last one here, so you're late. And I'm going to report you to Bruttallo, just as soon as he comes in and starts the meeting.

YAKMAN

How can I possibly be late for a meeting when it hasn't started yet?

CHAZZ

I don't know, but you are. Now sit down.

Yakman grumbles to himself and sits down next to Bully and Pigbig.

# <u>INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - LATER</u>

Yakman looks bored out of his mind. He looks over to the clock again. It now reads 1:00. He looks around. Pigbig is absentmindedly playing with his belly button and drooling.

Bully is reading the Wall Street Times with the comic pages covering it up.

YAKMAN

(to Chazz)

Chazz, it's been four hours. Can we please get going?

CHAZZ

First of all, it's only been two hours --

YAKMAN

(interrupting)

No it hasn't.

CHAZZ

And secondly, what do you need to do that's so important?

YAKMAN

I was thinking of doing, you know -- actual work. Anything besides sitting here doing nothing.

DR. GUTTS

Ja. I haff to get bach to mein laboratory. Mein Mind-Flayer ist almost complete unt I haff to put ze finishing touches on it.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

The big man said to wait here, so we wait here.

YAKMAN

Yeah, but he also said that the meeting would start at nine sharp, and it's now one.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

Fine. If you're going to be such a baby about it, I'll go find him. Don't you even think about moving from that chair. I'll be back in a jiff.

Chazz gets up and leaves.

## INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - LATER

Darkness. Yakman is asleep. He slowly opens his eyes to see Dr. Gutts standing over him, holding a table saw over Yakman's arm.

Yakman quickly moves his arm away.

YAKMAN

Dr. Gutts, what do you think you're doing?

DR GUTTS

I vast merely goin'k to zurprize you vit' an upgrade to your arm.

Yakman looks over to his side and sees a metal bucket overflowing with giant tentacles.

YAKMAN

How many times do I have to tell you that I don't want to be a victim to your sick experiments?

DR GUTTS

Yourn lips say 'no,' but ze vont once I replace them with these!

Dr. Gutts reveals a pair of LIPS, which start talking on their own.

EXPERIMENTAL LIPS

"Experiment on me!"

YAKMAN

Get away from me, you twisted freak!

DR GUTTS

Very well. Ve will disgust zis later.

Dr. Gutts backs away.

Yakman looks at the clock. It reads 6:00.

YAKMAN

Well, at least I can go home now.

BRUTTALLO

(OS)

So I was like, "that's not my wife! That's poop!"

CHAZZ MCFRESH

(OS)

Poop! That's a good one, big man!

BRUTTALLO, a large man in a spiked-covered three-piece suit, and Chazz enter the room.

BRUTTALLO

Nobody go anywhere. It's meeting time!

CHAZZ MCFRESH

That reminds me. Yakman was late.

YAKMAN

What?!?

BRUTTALLO

Late, huh? There's an old saying, Yakman. The early bird gets the Amphibidudes.

YAKMAN

First of all, that's not an old saying. It's an old saying that you changed in a way that makes no sense. Secondly, I was not late, and thirdly, you were nine hours late!

BRUTTALLO

Yakman, don't waste everyone's time with your personal issues. This is a company meeting and everyone wants to go home. If you have any problems, go see Helen in HR. That's what she's here for.

Yakman glances at Helen. His eyes are about to be sucked into the abyss of her eyes. He turns away.

YAKMAN

(to himself)

They're like twin orbs of death . . .

BRUTTALLO

All right. Settle down, people. Let's get the Monday morning meeting started. I have a big, evil project for us to go over, but first, I have an announcement regarding a restructuring of our meetings. The senior staff -- Chazz, Helen and the good doctor, can stay where they are, but there will now be a special section for the henchmen.

Bruttallo points to a small, dirty table to the side of the large meeting table. There are three rusty, folding chairs next to it. A sign reads, "henchmen sit here."

YAKMAN

(to himself)

Huh. I was here for nine hours and I failed to notice that.

(to Bruttallo)

Why are you moving us? There's more than enough room at the big table.

BRUTTALLO

I'm moving you precisely because of what you're doing now. I keep trying to conduct a meeting that involves the intense concentration of the senior staff and you keep interrupting me with your henchman talk.

(imitating Yakman)

"Duh! I'm Yakman! I think I know everything! I think your plans to take over the world are dumb, but it's only because I'm dumb and don't understand."

(back to himself)

Now, henchmen, get to your seats. can have one representative to speak for you during the meeting -- PigBig.

**PIGBIG** 

Durr. PigBig like candy!

BRUTTALLO

Duly noted, PigBig. Now on with the plan...

Bruttallo continues to talk as Yakman, Bully and PigBig walk to their new seats. Yakman is grumbling to himself.

YAKMAN

I really need a new job . . .

## EXT. TOWN - MORNING

Yakman and Bully, wearing their supervillain costumes, are hiding behind some bushes. Yakman looks haggard.

YAKMAN

So they keep us in a meeting all night to tell us that we need to wake up early to steal some experimental gas.

BULLY

Mindplodium-13.

YAKMAN

Whatever. Bully, I can't take much more of this. Really. This job is making me miserable.

BUTTY

You know what your problem is? You can't go with the flow. You're fighting the current, man. If you just keep your mouth shut you'd be a lot happier.

(MORE)

BULLY (CONT'D)

I mean, why did you think it's a good idea to call Bruttallo's idea stupid last night after he made an express point that he didn't want your opinion?

YAKMAN

Because it WAS stupid! Challenging world leaders to a pie-eating contest and filling the pies with mind-controlling poisoned apples? I can't keep my mouth shut and pretend to be stupid like you. I just can't!

BULLY

Well, you can't just leave either. You quit and Bruttallo will use all his energy to hunt you down and punish you. Say what you will about him, but the man can hold a grudge.

An armored van rolls by.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

(OS, through a walkie-talkie)
That's the van! Get on it like vomit!

BULLY

(responding)

Duh! You got it!

(to Yakman)

That's our cue.

Yakman and Bully run out of the bushes. PigBig and Dr. Gutts appear from the bushes on the other side of the street.

PigBig runs in front of the van and pushes it to a stop.

PIGBIG

PigBig stop van! PigBig do good!

Bully and Yakman run to the back of the van. Bully uses his horns to pry the back open and Yakman runs in. He pushes the armed guard into the wall, knocking him out, and grabs the gas canister he is guarding.

YAKMAN

Got it! Let's go!

Yakman and Bully run for it.

YAKMAN (CONT'D)

By the way, why is Dr. Gutts on a mission with us?

BULLY

He wants to field test his new Mind-Flayer in case the Amphibidudes show up.

NINCHUCK

(OS)

Somebody say our names?

Yakman looks over and sees NINCHUCK, GEEKO and TOADCOOL -- the AMPHIBIDUDES -- standing in front of them, each holding a handful of blintzes.

YAKMAN

Yes.

Awkward silence.

NINCHUCK

Get them!

Ninchuck, Geeko and Toadcool charge Yakman and the others.

**GEEKO** 

It's a good thing we stopped by the blintz factory this morning, huh, Ninchuck?

NINCHUCK

That's right, Geeko! Blintzes and beating up the bad guys! What a way to start the morning!

A WORKER runs out of the blintz factory.

BLINTZ FACTORY WORKER

Hey! Youse guys stole our blintzes!

TOADCOOL

It's okay, dude! We're the good guys! Slamma bamma ding-dong!

Toadcool throws one of his 'pocket-bombs' at Yakman, who dodges it. A big pothole appears on the road, due to the EXPLOSION.

YAKMAN

You idiot! I'm holding a pressurized gas canister! Don't throw explosives at me!

TOADCOOL

Whatevs! If it's bad for you, it's good for me!

He continues to throw bombs at Yakman.

Ninchuck, meanwhile, is engaging Bully and PigBig.

PIGBIG

PigBig smash hoppy green man!

NTNCHUCK

I don't think so!

PigBig charges Ninchuck, who jumps out of the way. PigBig's charge continues into Bully, knocking him down.

NINCHUCK (CONT'D)

Now that's what I call . . .

(beat)

. . . charging . . . into . . . Bully.

Heh heh. I'm so clever . . .

Dr. Gutts reveals his Mind-Flayer, an unwieldy contraption that he begins to charge by pulling a chord like a lawn-mower.

DR. GUTTS

Mein Gott! Vat a perfeckt field test for ze Mind-Flayer!

GEEKO

You're not the only one who wants to try out his new toy, Gutts!

Geeko pulls out his own unwieldy device, which he begins cranking like an old car.

GEEKO (CONT'D)

Let me introduce you to the Explodomatron!

Geeko and Dr. Gutts furiously try to get their devices powered up.

TOADCOOL

Give it up, Yakman!

YAKMAN

If I do, will you stop throwing bombs at me?

TOADCOOL

No!

Toadcool continues throwing bombs at Yakman. In his barrage, he accidentally throws one of his blintzes at Yakman, which SPLATS into him and falls to the ground.

TOADCOOL (CONT'D)
My blintz! You'll pay for that!

Toadcool rushes to Yakman to recover his blintz. As he does, both Geeko and Dr. Gutt's devices spring to life. Geeko's Explodomatron begins rolling towards Dr. Gutts, but veers wildly and heads straight towards Yakman and Toadcool. Meanwhile, Dr. Gutt's Mind-Flayer fires a ray, but due to Dr. Gutt's last pull of the start-up chord, it shifts off course and also shoots straight at Yakman and Toadcool.

Yakman looks over and sees a giant bomb-on-wheels and a strange ray heading straight for him and Toadcool, while Toadcool absentmindedly reaches down to pick up his blintz.

YAKMAN

Uh-oh . . .

A huge EXPLOSION hits them both.

FADE TO BLACK.

## EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - LATER

Everything is black.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

(OS)

Where . . . am I?

**GEEKO** 

(OS)

You're safe . . . but I'm afraid your blintz . . . didn't make it?

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

. . . what?

Yakman opens his eyes and sees Ninchuck and Geeko looking over him. He quickly gets up and sees himself in a window's reflection.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY) (CONT'D)

I'm in Toadcool's body?!?

**GEEKO** 

Of course you're in Toadcool's body. You're Toadcool.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

AHHHH!

ACT II

# EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - CONTINUOUS

Yakman is still screaming as he looks into his reflection and sees Toadcool.

NINCHUCK

What's wrong with Toadcool, Geeko?

Geeko waves some device around Yakman.

GEEKO

Well, according to my doctor-thingie, he's upset that his blintz got destroyed.

NINCHUCK

Ha. What a cut-up. Toadcool, you did real good out there. Bruttallo and his stupid goons will think twice about stealing explosive gas with us around. I need to get back to my training now. Hai-ya!

Ninchuck jumps off to some other fire escape.

**GEEKO** 

I need to get back to my inventing stuff. Are you sure you're okay, Toadcool?

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Uhh . . . yeah.

**GEEKO** 

Then why aren't you saying your catchphrase?

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Slamma jamma . . . ping pong.

**GEEKO** 

Close enough.

Geeko leaves.

Yakman inspects himself in the window.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

(to himself)

The blast and the gas and the ray must have made me and Toadcool switch bodies. This . . . is great! I don't have to work for Bruttallo anymore! I'm free!

(MORE)

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY) (CONT'D) I can even do some good for a change, as one of the good guys. I finally did it!

I made the perfect escape!

Yakman leans back and relaxes.

INT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - AFTERNOON

Blackness.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

(OS)

Where . . . where am I, dude?

BRUTTALLO

(OS)

Where do you think you are, you fool?

Toadcool, in Yakman's body, opens his eyes. He sees Bruttallo, Chazz, Bully, PigBig and Dr. Gutts standing over him.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Whoa! It's the baddies!

Toadcool jumps up and reaches for his bombs.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)(CONT'D)

Where are my pocket bombs? Where are my blintzes?

BRUTTALLO

What are you babbling about, you ignoramus? Your dunderheaded nincompoopery ruined my brilliant plan and you're talking about blintzes?

BULLY

(to himself)

Blintzes? . . . uh oh . . .

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

I don't know where I am or how I got here, but you uglies are going down! Slamma -- mmph!

Bully grabs Toadcool from behind and puts his hand over his mouth.

BUTTY

Uhhh . . . me think Yakman mind stupid from explosion.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

It was pretty stupid before.

BRUTTALLO

Zing!

BULLY

Me go take him to shower to help . . . wash brain.

BRUTTATITO

Fine, but when he feels better call me so I can punish him.

DR. GUTTS

Unt if he's not feelink better, send him to ze good doctor, ja?

Bully drags Toadcool to the locker room.

# INT. LOCKER ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Bully brings a struggling Toadcool (in Yakman's body) into the locker room, and sits him down in front of a bunch of mirrors.

BULLY

Me need to set you straight, YAKMAN.

Bully lets Toadcool go.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Let go of me, ugly! And who are you calling Yakman?

BULLY

You are Yakman. Look in mirror.

Toadcool looks in the mirror. He sees Yakman.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

I'm not Yakman! I'm Toadcool!

BULLY

No, you YAKMAN.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

No I'm not, stupid! I'm Toadcool! I must have switched bodies with Yakman or something.

BULLY

NO! Listen carefully -- you are YAKMAN. If you Toadcool, Bruttallo will have you killed. UNDERSTAND?

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
No. You're the one that doesn't
understand. I'm Toadcool, and you're
going DOWN!

Bully grabs Toadcool again and holds his mouth shut.

BULLY

Toadcool, listen, you idiot! You are YAKMAN, which is good, because if you were an Amphibidude, you could pretend to be Yakman and spy on us. Do you understand now, YAKMAN?

Bully removes his hand over Toadcool's mouth.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
. . . yeah. I'm your fellow stupid
henchman, Yakman. Duh duh duh!

BULLY

That's right, Yakman . . .

Bully turns to leave.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

If I pretend to be Yakman, I can totally spy on Bruttallo. Slamma bamma ding dong! I fooled that moron Bully, but the others will be harder to trick . . .

BULLY

. . . I'm still in the room, you know . .

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY) I, uhh, mean . . . duh! Me am stupid henchman.

Bully SIGHS.

BULLY

I'm too nice sometimes . . .

Bully exits.

#### EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - DAY

Yakman (in Toadcool's body) is relaxing on the fire escape. Ninchuck's shadow can be seen on the wall, crouched in an attack pose.

NINCHUCK

Hai-ya!

Ninchuck jumps out of the shadows and charges Yakman with his sword.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Ahh!

Yakman is able to get out of the way just in time, as Ninchuck's sword hits the railing where Yakman just was.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)(CONT'D) What are you doing? I'm Toadcool, I tells ya! Slamma slamma slam!

NINCHUCK

I know who you are! And if you don't train, we're never going to defeat Bruttallo! Stop thinking about your stomach for once!

YAKMAN(IN TOADCOOL'S BODY) Who said anything about my stomach?

NINCHUCK

Hai ya!

Ninchuck jumps at him again.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Ouit it!

Yakman jumps out of the way and hops on the assorted fire escape ledges, with Ninchuck in close pursuit. Yakman jumps through a clothes line with freshly hung clothes, which Ninchuck cuts to pieces.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)(CONT'D)

Hey! Don't destroy those clothes! They're not yours!

NINCHUCK

Ha! If you think some speech about personal property is gonna save you, Toadcool, think again!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Oh, that's it.

Yakman stops where he is, side-steps Ninchuck's attack, grabs his leg while he's leaping, and throws him into the wall.

NINCHUCK

Oof!

SANDY

(OS)

Good going, Toadcool! Slamma bamma ding dong!

Yakman looks over to see SANDY, a little six-year-old girl, standing on the fire escape, holding a tray of sandwiches.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Who is this?

NINCHUCK

What do you mean, 'who is this?' It's Sandy, the plucky girl who is our only human friend in a world that mistrusts and fears us.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Maybe they won't mistrust and fear us so much if we stop destroying their stuff  ${\boldsymbol \cdot}$ 

. .

(to Sandy)

Does your mommy know you're here, Sandy?

SANDY

No. She'd be real angry if she ever found out.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

I don't like the sound of that . . .

SANDY

I made you guys sandwiches.

Sandy hands them sandwiches.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Thank you, sweetheart. That's really nice of you.

Ninchuck bites into his sandwich.

NINCHUCK

Blah! This sandwich is a bad sandwich.

Ninchuck throws the sandwich at Sandy. It hits her in the face.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

That's the worst thing I've ever seen!
Not even Bruttallo would do something
that cruel to a little girl! She's just
trying to be nice and this is how you
repay her?

Geeko appears and grabs a sandwich.

GEEKO

Toadcool is right, Ninchuck. I think we can be nicer to Sandy.

Geeko bites into his sandwich and BLANCHES.

GEEKO (CONT'D)

(gently)

Sandy, this sandwich is not good.

Very gently, Geeko rubs the sandwich in her face.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

What's wrong with you people?

SANDY

It's okay, Toadcool. You guys are heroes, so you can treat others however you want.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

No we can't!

NINCHUCK

You shouldn't talk until you try the sandwich.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Fine!

Yakman bites into the sandwich. He looks like he's about to vomit.

SANDY

It's got gummy worms AND real worms!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Oh god . . .

NINCHUCK

Eat it all, Toadcool.

Yakman looks at Sandy, who is smiling at him.

SANDY

Eat these too!

Sandy holds up the two sandwiches Ninchuck and Geeko didn't want. They pulse with the SQUIRMING of live worms. Some worms crawl out of the sandwich through the bread.

## INT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - DAY

Toadcool (in Yakman's body) is sneaking around the office.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Like, the communication room's gotta be somewhere around here . . .

CHAZZ MCFRESH

(OS)

Yakman, get over here!

Toadcool approaches Chazz's desk.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

I am Yakman, the stupid henchman, and I obey!

CHAZZ MCFRESH

You being sarcastic or something?

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

No. I'm being Yakman. Not Toadcool.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

Whatever. My sponge is dry and I need these stamps glued to these envelopes. Lick them for me.

Chazz produces a huge stack of envelopes and stamps. Toadcool takes a stamp and licks it.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Yum yum! Slamma bamma ding dong!

He grabs a bunch of stamps and starts licking them like mad. Chazz eyes him suspiciously.

## EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - EVENING

Yakman (in Toadcool's body) is dry heaving over the railing.

NINCHUCK

(OS)

Sneak attack!

Ninchuck jumps Yakman from behind. Yakman knocks him over.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Give it a rest, will ya?

NINCHUCK

Crime never rests and so do we.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

"And so do we?"

NINCHUCK

Sneak attack!

Ninchuck jumps at Yakman, who dodges him.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

It's not a sneak attack if you announce it, you dingbat! Now, leave me alone for ten minutes. I have five pounds of worms in my stomach.

Geeko appears, walking with his eyes closed. He goes right up to Yakman, climbs up his back and starts SUCKING on his head.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)(CONT'D)

. . . what's going on?

NINCHUCK

Geeko's sleepwalking, like he always does. You're acting weird, Toadcool. Like you're not yourself. Like you're someone else. Like you're not Toadcool.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

What do you mean? I'm Toadcool! Slamma bamma etcetera!

NTNCHUCK

Hmmm . . .

Ninchuck walks away. Geeko starts licking Yakman's head.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

(to himself)

I need to get out of here . . .

ACT III

# EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - MORNING

The sun is rising. Yakman (in Toadcool's body) is sleeping fitfully on the fire escape. Ninchuck and Geeko look on.

NINCHUCK

Toadcool's been acting weird ever since that explosion.

**GEEKO** 

Well, he went through a lot. He did have one of his blintzes destroyed . . .

NINCHUCK

I suppose that could be it, but I want you to keep an eye on him.

GEEKO

But I don't feel like it!

NINCHUCK

Well, neither do I!

**GEEKO** 

So, I guess we just leave him be, then.

NINCHUCK

Agreed!

(beat)

Sneak attack!

Ninchuck charges at Yakman.

# EXT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - MORNING

Cars pull into the parking lot as the BruttalCo employees get ready for work.

# INT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Toadcool (in Yakman's body) wakes up from under his desk. His face is covered in stamps.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Slamma bamma ding dong! Operation: I'm-Not-Yakman-I'm-Toadcool hits high gear!

BULLY

(OS)

. . . I'm in the room, you know . . .

Toadcool looks to see Bully in the doorway.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
Me Yakman! Slamma bamma ding dong.

BULLY

. . . whatever. Come on, we're late for the staff meeting.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
Then let's hop to it! Get it? Because

Then let's hop to it! Get it? Because I...

Toadcool looks at himself and remembers he's in Yakman's body.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)(CONT'D)

Oh yeah . . . nevermind.

BULLY

(to himself)

Well, this should be interesting . . .

# INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Toadcool (in Yakman's body) and Bully enter the conference room and take a seat. Everyone else is already there.

BRUTTALLO

Well, now that the two lollygaggers have arrived -- with docked pay, I may add -- we may begin with the unfurling of my latest masterpiece of villainy. Start the slide presentation, Chazz.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

You got it, big man.

Chazz pushes a few buttons on his Mac and a presentation starts on the projector screen. The lights dim.

Corporate MUZAK begins as the screen shows a title page with simple, professional graphics, which reads, "BruttalCo: Your Future is Ours!" with "Global Conquest Plan #85" underneath.

The presentation begins with stock footage of an intersection from the 1950s.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO - prerecorded)

Streetlights. They keep order in society more than anything else. The red means stop. The green means go.

A picture of a device emitting waves around the world is seen.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO)

But what would you say if I told you there was a machine that sends waves of chromatic radiation that will turn this...

A traditional streetlight with the red on top and the green on the bottom is seen.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO)
To this!

The same streetlight is seen, but now the red is on the bottom and the green is on the top.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO)

We have the technology to switch the color green and the color red. With these colors switched around, we will see a total breakdown in society that will only be compounded when we introduce phase two of our plan . . . Switching yellow and purple!

The streetlight now blinks purple in the middle light.

A PROFESSIONAL ACTOR is in a car, looking at the streetlight. The words "Professional Actor" are written below him.

PROFESSIONAL ACTOR

A blinking purple light? What does that mean? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!? AUGGHHH!!!

CHAZZ MCFRESH

(VO)

We figure most people's heads will immediately explode . . .

A crowd of ten people are standing in a line. Underneath them is a sign that reads "Artist's rendering." Seven of these ten people's heads spontaneously explode.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

. . . and those that survive will need a leader. A leader like . . .

Bruttallo is now on screen, posing awkwardly in his office, holding a globe and looking evil.

BRUTTALLO

(on the screen)

. . . and I . . . like this?

CHAZZ MCFRESH

(VO - giving directions)

Yeah, just --

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO)

Bruttallo!

There is now a crudely drawn picture of Yakman, Bully and Pigbig, all with stink lines around them and saying "duh" on the screen.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

(VO)

All we need is people like YOU to steal another container of mindplodium-13. Thank you.

The presentation ends and the lights come back on.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Holy ravioli! That plan...

BRUTTALLO

Great. Here comes the peanut gallery. What problems do you have now, Yakman?

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

That plan was so . . . brilliant and evil! I don't see how it can fail, unless . . . I have to warn the others!

Toadcool runs off.

BRUTTALLO

Did he just say "warn the others?"

BULLY

Uhh . . . me think he say "warm the . . . otters."

CHAZZ MCFRESH

Big man, have you noticed the Yakster's been acting kind of . . .

BRUTTALLO

Like a fantastic employee for a change? I absolutely have.

CHAZZ MCFRESH

Yeah. That was my doing.

BRUTTALLO

Well, good job. Get the troops ready to go in a few minutes. Let's get that mindplodium-13!

## EXT. AMPHIBIDUDES FIRE ESCAPE LAIR - DAY

Yakman (still in Toadcool's body) approaches Geeko.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Hey, Geeko. Where's Ninchuck?

**GEEKO** 

He's getting our morning blintzes, of course.

NINCHUCK

(OS - Screaming)

You there! Do you have any blintzes? I'm a hero! Gimme!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Say, Geeko . . . you're the scientist of the group, right?

**GEEKO** 

Of course. After all, I am the one wearing glasses.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Right. Well, let's say hypothetically, that the explosion made me and Yakman switch bodies. Would there be any way to switch 'em back?

**GEEKO** 

Hypothetically? Sure. All you'd need to do is get hit by the same blast but with the polarities reversed.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

And . . . how do you do that?

GEEKO

Easy.

Geeko grabs another Explodomatron, rips it off its wheels, flips it upside down, and puts it back.

GEEKO (CONT'D)

Done.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

That . . . did not seem like science.

A Midi ring tone of "The Thong Song" comes out of a monitor.

**GEEKO** 

It's the Toadmunicator!

Yakman looks at the monitor and sees his body on screen. He quickly pushes Geeko out of the room.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

(fast, to Geeko)

Uhh, I'll get it! It's a wrong number. Don't come in!

Yakman closes the door and goes to the Toadmunicator.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Dudes, it's me, Toadcool! I got trapped in Yakman's body and I --

Toadcool sees his own body on the screen.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY) (CONT'D)

Hey, waitaminute . . .

Yakman quickly ducks out of the screen's view and returns, holding a towel to the bottom of his face, kind of looking like Ninchuck wearing his ninja-wear.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

It's me -- Ninchuck. Hi-ya.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Hiya. Listen, Ninchuck! I got stuck in Yakman's body and found out about Brutallo's new plan! He's gonna steal more mindplodium and use it to switch the colors of streetlights around!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

. . . of course he is. When is he going to steal it?

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Like, right now at the Sciencetorium!
Get the others! This plan is mondo evil!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Right! We'll meet you there!

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Toadtacular!

Yakman squints at the screen.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

One last thing.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Yeah?

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Why are you holding two otters in a blanket.

Reveal to see Toadcool holding a blanket with two otters in it.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

. . . like, I have no idea.

Toadcool hears someone behind him.

DR GUTTS

(OS)

Yoo-hoo! Yakman, are you zere?

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Gotta go!

The Toadmunicator turns off.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

(to Geeko)

Geeko! Get Ninchuck! We got some bammas to slam!

# INT. BRUTALLO'S VAN - LATER

Close up on Toadcool.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

(TO HIMSELF)

All right, Toadcool. Keep it gnarly. Nobody here knows you switched bodies with Yakman and that you're spying on them and going to totally ruin their plan. All you have to do is play it cool and their scheme is as good as toast. Or should I say toad-st -- because I'm Toadcool.

Silence.

Zoom out to reveal Toadcool is sitting cramped in the middle of the van, totally surrounded by Bruttallo, Chazz, Dr. Gutts, Bully, and PigBig.

They are all (with the exception of Bully, who is just shaking his head) staring at him angrily.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)(CONT'D)

Uhh . . . did I say all that out loud?

BRUTTALLO

It's Toadcool! Get him! Skin him alive and then skin him dead!

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Uh-oh.

Everyone lunges at Toadcool, including Bruttallo, who was driving. The van veers wildly and CRASHES into a wall.

Yakman (in Toadcool's body), along with Ninchuck and Geeko, witness the crash.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

My body!

Yakman runs towards the wreckage.

Toadcool (in Yakman's body) somehow manages walk out unhurt. He sees his own body and glowers.

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

Yakman! You stole my body! You're going down!

Toadcool charges Yakman.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

No! Toadcool, the only way we can switch back is if we work together!

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)

The only working together I'll be doing is punching your ugly face!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

This is your face!

Bruttallo and the others meanwhile crawl out of the wreckage. He sees Yakman and Toadcool fighting.

BRUTTALLO

Get them!

NINCHUCK

(OS)

The only thing you're gonna get is me punching your ugly face!

BRUTTALLO

We'll see whose ugly face gets punched!

Bruttallo and his men charge Ninchuck and Geeko. Bully is conspicuously absent.

YAKMAN

If we don't stop fighting, you're going to get us both killed!

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
If it's bad for you, it's good for me!

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

I am you!

PigBig appears in front of them, ready to pounce.

**PIGBIG** 

PigBig smash two Toadcools!

Yakman (in Toadcool's body) pulls out a coin and throws it down the street.

PIGBIG (CONT'D)

Shiny!

PigBig runs after it.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Now, come on! We need to find the Mindplodium-13!

Bruttallo has Ninchuck in a choke-hold.

BRUTTALLO

Dr. Gutts! Use your Mind-Flayer!

DR GUTTS

Ja!

Dr. Gutts begins revving up the Mind-Flayer.

**GEEKO** 

I don't think so! Eat Explodomatron!

Geeko starts cranking his Explodomatron.

BRUTTALLO

Chazz, stop him!

CHAZZ MCFRESH

Uhh, you got it, big man.

Chazz cravenly approaches Geeko. He stops short and picks up his cell phone.

CHAZZ MCFRESH (CONT'D)

Uhh, it's my cell phone. I better get it. It might be about the mindplodium! (to the imaginary person)
Hello? I can't hear you. I better go to where there's better reception.

Chazz runs off.

BRUTTALLO

Chazz, hurry with your call and get back here!

Yakman and Toadcool continue to grapple. Yakman looks over to see Dr. Gutts aiming his Mind-Flayer at them.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Oh no! They're about to fire, but without the mindplodium, we won't switch back!

TOADCOOL (IN YAKMAN'S BODY)
The only switching back you're gonna do
is --

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)

Oh, shut up!

Dr. Gutt's Mind-Flayer comes to life and fires a blast of energy. Geeko's Explodomatron shoots off and veers wildly at them.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY)(CONT'D)

It's too late!

As the two weapons are about to hit their mark, Bully appears behind the rabble, holding a canister of Mindplodium-13. He heaves it to Yakman and Toadcool, which hits them just as Mind-Flayer and Explodomatron connect.

A huge EXPLOSION is seen, knocking everyone not at ground zero back.

Inside the explosion, Yakman and Toadcool are being knocked out. As Yakman collapses, he looks at his hands.

YAKMAN (IN TOADCOOL'S BODY) (CONT'D)

It's not working . . .

He passes out.

Outside the explosion, Ninchuck hits the ground, also being knocked out. A blintz falls from his hands and rolls over to Yakman and Toadcool. It lands on them, splattering. The blintz innards begins to glow mysteriously.

INT. BRUTALCO MAIN OFFICE - LATER

Blackness.

Yakman slowly opens his eyes.

YAKMAN

Where am I?

BRUTTALLO

Where do you think you are, fool?

Yakman looks around. He is in his own body, but everybody is upside down. He looks around to see that he is hanging upside down inside a giant blender.

YAKMAN

No, Bruttallo, it's me, Yakman! I'm back to my normal body!

BRUTTALLO

If you're Yakman, prove it! Say something only he would know.

YAKMAN

Your plans are doomed for failure.

BRUTTALLO

Well, it sounds like stupid, old Yakman, but we'd better make sure.

(to Dr. Gutts)

Doctor?

DR GUTTS

It looks like we will be experimenting on you after all, heir Yakman.

YAKMAN

(to himself)

. . . I really need a new job.