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Ferocious Planet

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MAN ON RADIO:

Delta to Command.

Go ahead.

Your special guests
have arrived.

Copy that.

[Shaver buzzing]

[Buzzing stops]

Dr. Fast.

Josh Burk.

Colonel Synn.

What an unexpected
surprise.

I thought you'd retired.

I see you, uh, dressed up
specially for the occasion.

Hey, is this
the IRS building?

Next door.

[Laughs]

Rent-a-cop, huh?

Perfect job for
a man who disgraced
his country.

Come along!

This is quite a crowd.

You nervous
or something?

I get nervous
driving to work.

This makes me
terrified.

Keep it together.

My neck is on the line.

Decades of work
on the greatest
discovery ever,
and that jerk senator
wants to kill my funding.

And stop that tapping!

Yeah, sure.

He's the jerk.

What's our power reading?

It's 100%.
[Indistinct chatter]
He's here.
I haven't seen you
for some time.
Stay focused.
And no mistakes.
If we convince
the President's people,
this project stays alive.
You almost ready?
Just about.
I, uh--
I really enjoyed
myself last night.
It would've
been better--
Not now.
Not ever.
Right there.
Everything's secure.
I bet you'll be glad
when you're sitting
on your boat,
instead of having to
baby-sit these eggheads
and politicians.
Bad missions are like
relationships, Lieutenant.
They all start great,
but end miserably.
Thank you for
joining me today
for what could be the most
significant scientific
experiment ever.
Today we make history
for two achievements.
The first
promises clean,
unlimited,
renewable energy.
The world's first
cold fusion generator.

[Hushed]

Cold fusion again?

I thought that was
a dead fish.

The second

is the culmination
of over 30 years
of research,

which started

with my father,

Dr. Taidgh O'Hara,

back home in Ireland.

After his death,

I continued and perfected
his research.

Ladies and gentlemen,

today we will discover

what mysteries

the universe holds.

For the first time

in history,

we will peer into

parallel dimensions.

Parallel dimensions?

You didn't mention

anything about this

to me.

What you're witnessing now

is a dimension

that sits directly

on top of our own.

My father theorized that

there are an unlimited

number of worlds,

each existing

in our exact location.

And it is for this

that you require

a further \$250 million

of taxpayers' money?

How do we know

this is even real?

This is the scientific

documentation

that explains the process.
It's been verified by
the scientific community
after extensive
peer review.
Of course, there are only
a dozen people in the world
who can actually
understand it.

MAN:

one of them.
And I don't suppose
any of them are
taxpayers.
[Laughs]
Uh, Dr. O'Hara--
Karen Fast,
Science Advisor
for the President.
Is it possible to travel
to these places?
Sadly, we can
only see them.
But we've chosen
these dimensions
to show you both
the extraordinary
differences to Earth,
and, as you'll see from
the next dimension,
the extraordinary
similarities.
Based on our
initial research,
this world shares
many commonalities
with our own.
Any signs of
intelligent life?
None yet. However,
the flora and fauna
indicates an atmosphere
very similar to our own.

Our research shows
that there are billions
upon billions of
other dimensions.
It is a virtual certainty
that intelligent
life exists.

[Roars]

What was that?

Ohh, Dr. O'Hara,
the power's spiking.

Impossible.

The Theta's 88.

I'm just gonna bring
the power output down
to 1.21 terawatts.

Did he say "terawatts"?

It's not responding.

We need to evacuate.

Immediately.

[Groaning]

Private?

Command to Delta--
come in.

Command to Delta.

[Squelching]

[Gunshots]

[Groans]

[Gunshots]

Alpha to Command. Over.

Alpha to Command.

Go for Command.

Colonel,

I heard gunshots.

Where are you?

Down the hall.

We have a security breach.

Sweep and secure the room.

Nothing in or out.

Roger that.

[Clatter]

[Snarls]

[Clatter]

[Shrieks]

[Thud]
You sure?
I'm fine.
Really?
I'm fine, I'm okay.
I can't believe it.
They're all dead.
Another one over here.
This is terrible.
Just terrible.
All secure, Colonel.
Colonel! Colonel,
where the hell
have you been?
Just when we need you,
you disappear.
Now, there are people here
who need serious medical--
[All coughing]
I just killed
this thing...
after it chomped off
the arm of one of
your colleagues.
What is it?
What's that smell?
Ammonia?
I think it's coming
from the blood.
That's remarkable.
I'm gonna ask you
one more time.
What the hell is this?
Oh, my God.
I think this has
come from a parallel
dimension.
Impossible.
That's impossible.
Are you saying this critter
came through that machine?
This is hogwash.
I'm getting out of here.
Senator,

you're gonna stay here
until I tell you
it's safe to go.
Protocol
assumes quarantine
until I can confirm
otherwise.
[Rumbling]
Earthquake! Earthquake!
Everybody hold on!
The machine!
Doctor! The machine!
Doctor!
[Grunting]
Get in here, boy,
quick!
Help us!
We can't let it
get damaged!
Guys, it's slipping!
I want that machine
destroyed!
First an explosion kills
innocent civilians,
then it's the critters!
And now it's started
an earthquake!
What the hell
is it gonna do...
next?
[Rumbling stops]
[Siren blaring]
What are you doing
here, boy? Get out!
I grew up
in California.
That didn't feel
like an earthquake.
It almost felt like
we were sliding.
Ah! Ah!
Lex!
Ah! Ah!
Doc, what's happening?

I think he's having
a heart attack.
There's a defibrillator
on the wall over there.
He's not breathing.
I need to start CPR.
Lieutenant, Private.
Sir?
Guard the door.
Make sure nothing
gets in or out.
One, two, three, four.
[Charging]
Clear.
[Thud]
I don't like
what's going on.
Protocol for an
emergency like this--
we'd put out
an immediate response,
like a quarantine.
Clear.
[Thud]
Something is seriously
wrong out there.
He's not responding.
I'm sorry. He's gone.

CRENSHAW:

enough is enough.

BURK:

under the circumstances--
I am out of here.
We should be listening
to the military.
Stay back, sir.
Okay, okay.
Senator...
I'm authorized
to use force
to stop you.
I would dearly like

to see the authorization
that permits
a disgraced colonel
to shoot a United States
Senator going about
his public duty.
I don't know what
went wrong with you.
You were once a golden boy,
but you brought disgrace
and dishonor to yourself
and to our country.
Now, I'm gonna get help
for these people
before you get them
all killed.
Oh, damn it.
Out of my way, sir.
[Roaring]
What the hell
is this place?

SYNN:

won't be running
for reelection.
[Roaring]
[Roaring]
[Snarling]
That doesn't look
like the IRS building
next door.
What the hell is that?!
Whatever it is,
it's pissed.
Everyone get back!
[Gunshots]
We are definitely gonna
need a bigger boat.
Boat?
Fall back!
Oh!
Come on!
Whoa!
I don't think it's

gonna hold, Colonel!
Got any more weapons?
Negative, sir.
We were providing
light security.
Rifles were stored
upstairs with Vitale
and the rest
of the team.
Smoke grenades aren't
gonna do crap.
Ah!
Do you think it's gone?
[Door creaking]
What's going on
here, Colonel?
I was hoping
you could tell me.
[Exclaiming]
Are you insane?!
What the hell are you doing?
Come here.
Come on, take a look.
I don't understand.
How can this be?
Where's the rest
of the building?
We were three stories
underground.
From the looks of it,
I'd say that machine of yours
moved our little corner
of the building somewhere.
Impossible.
That's impossible.
I really wish you'd
stop saying that.
Do you realize we're
the first people ever
to travel to
another dimension?
Won't mean anything
if we don't get home.
Well, that machine

brought us here.
Can't it get us back?
It was damaged
in the blast.
I'll have to
repair it.
But even
if I do--
We can do it.
Then I suggest you
start looking at ways
to get us home.
Wait a minute,
wait a minute.
If we're in
a parallel dimension,
then how come
we can still breathe?
Well, the dimension
we were viewing
before the machine...
malfunctioned
was chosen for
its similarities
to our own.
Looks like
we were correct.
Well, at least you
got one thing right.
I'm one of
the smartest people
on the planet.
I'll figure this out.
Well, we should
take this opportunity
to explore.
We may never get
this chance again.
Bad idea.
We don't know
what's out there.
The rules of our
dimension might not
even apply here.

For all we know,
there might be 20
more of those things
waiting for us
out there.
All the reason
to do some recon.
If there are more things
out there like this,
I need to know.
Very heroic,
Colonel.
But very stupid.
It's called
self-preservation, Doc.
Well, it's your neck.
But don't say
I didn't warn you.

FAST:

with you, Colonel.
The President will
want a full report,
and I'm gonna make sure
I give it to him.
Fine.
You two--
Beavis, Butt-head--
get these bodies
into the storage room
down the hall.
Lieutenant,
we take off in five.
Copy that.
Miraculous.
Looks like the building
slid down.
Our earthquake.
All right,
we'll head toward
those trees
and circle around.
Stay sharp.
I don't think

you're gonna get
much reception here.
I'm using the camera.
We'll need documentation
to take back with us.
No one is going
to believe this.
Remarkable.
If I didn't know better,
I'd say this is a giant
Amanita muscaria.
Better known as mushroom.
Did I fail to mention
the ground rules?
Take your hands
off me, Colonel.
We stick together.
You do not wander off.
I've already lost
a lot of people today,
and I don't intend
to lose any more.
Understood?
Understood.

REID:

How the hell
did that happen?
Is that one of
the meters from
in front of the building?
Must've got caught
in the force of
the explosion.
Gotten sucked in.
Is it safe?
I think so.
Unless you've
illegally parked.
Private.
Leave it.
Don't worry.
I won't turn you in.
But if we find

a bar out here,
you've got to buy me
a stiff drink.
Port 1, nominal.
Port 2, nominal.
Port 3 at plus-34.
[Beeping]
Port 3 at plus-36.
[Whining]
[Whining stops]
Port 3, nominal.
Looks like
the exchange
coupler's fried.
Can you fix it?
It'll take more than
a whack on the side.
But, yeah, I can.
Help me pull it out.
[Beeps]
I need you
to stay focused.
I'm sorry. I'm okay.
It's just--
Well, you know
how I get.
How did this
happen?
This is the only
possible explanation.
But that's--
Hold on, wait.
You forgot...
How did I miss that?
It still
doesn't explain--
Hang on.
Yeah.
That's it.
But it's theoretically
impossible.
We're living proof
that it's far from
impossible.

We can worry about
the theoretical later.
I'm more worried
about our other problem.
Even if we fix this--
I know.
Never thought I'd be
clearing away bodies.
I'm just the auditor
for the project.
I only came down here
to have a look.
Thought it would
get me out of work
early today.
Bad call.
You could say that.
What about you?
I've been an aide
for the Senator now
for about three years.
Guess I'd better
find a new boss.
Just two
working stiffs, huh?
Not the best choice
of words, but...
yeah.
Although...
if we make it back...
When we make it back.
When we make it back,
we're gonna be
so famous.
Do you think?
Hell yeah!
We could really
cash in.
Talk shows,
Fox & Friends,
the works.
This could be
our ticket.
Of course, uh...

if we were the ones
to bring this back--
I mean, all I'm saying is,
we gotta be on our
toes around here.
We gotta be ready
for when the window
of opportunity
presents itself.
And if we were
to work together...
Like partners?
Like partners.
I like that.
Now, all we have to do
is to get ourselves
something, anything,
to guarantee
our fame and fortune.
Something like, uh--
This?
Aaaah! Aaaah!
[Screaming]
Uhh.
Oh! Ohh!
He's dead.
What the hell
happened?
He poked it
with a pen,
then that black stuff
shot out and hit him
in the face.
I told him not to.
What is it? Acid?
Looks like it.
Don't poke the alien.
So, how does a colonel
get stuck guarding a lab?
Stuck?
It's my dream job.
I'm gonna string out
as soon as
the paperwork

goes through.
Got someone special
waiting for you
back home?
Yeah.
She's all
I think about.
What's her name?
Columbine.
Columbine?
It's the name
of a flower.
She was named
before the shooting.
I was gonna rename her
"The Light Brigade",
but they say it's
bad luck to rename.
A boat.
So, uh, that Dr. O'Hara
is pretty hot.
You two have gotten
pretty friendly
these past
couple of weeks.
Did you
tap that yet?
I don't think it'd
go over too well
with the bosses.
We're supposed
to be staying out of
the scientists' way.
Well, she does seem
like a cold fish.
That won't stop me
from trying.
[Screaming]
God!
Go!
Go, go, go, go!
[Roaring]
[Gunshots]
[Gunshots]

Rivers, stay down!
I'll be back for you!
Okay, Colonel!
[Roaring]
[Snarling]
Rivers, come in.
Go ahead, Colonel.
I can't see
the entrance.
Smoke grenade.
Roger. Can you see
what it's doing?
[Roaring]
Negative, sir.
You still have
your smoke grenades?
Roger that.
Uh, Colonel...
I'm gonna need
some assistance.
Looks like I landed
in some quicksand.
Quicksand?
Sorry about that, Colonel.
All right.
I can't see a thing
out this door.
What's your bearing?
I'm about 20 meters
your one o'clock.
And, Colonel...
you'd better hurry.
Roger that.
All right, Lieutenant...
I'm gonna have you
deploy your grenades
three meters
from the building,
on my mark.
Copy that.
This is suicide.
You're never
gonna make it.
Just give it

some time.
It will leave.
What if it doesn't?
I'm not gonna
leave him out there.
He did the same
for me once.
What, saved your ass
in some other
parallel dimension?
No. Tehran.
The Iranian
nuke facility.
That was you.
No wonder the Senator
hated you.
I put together
a briefing report
for the President.
I just didn't make
the connection
between---

RIVERS:

Colonel? Colonel?
Now, Lieutenant.
Rivers!
[Squelch]
How's the rescue plan
coming, sir?
Perfect.
Just grab my feet.
[Grunting]
Whoa!
[Grunting]
This is some
rescue plan.
Dig your heels in.
Don't worry.
I've got you.
Pilates
six days a week.
[Grunting]
[Panting]

I don't hear anything.
That's good,
isn't it?
[Roaring]
Go!
Thanks.
No problem.
So, you were
in Tehran?
That's classified.
I gather the intel
for the President.
I know what
really happened--
the nukes,
the civilian hospital,
who really
gave the order.
[Rumbling]
Doesn't matter now!
We got bigger problems!
Let's go!
Damn,
we need something
more effective
to fight
that thing.
We've got to find something
we can make an IED with.
Solvents, cleaners--
whatever you can find.
Where's
the other one?
He didn't make it.
What's that smell?
Don't poke
the aliens.
Okay.
They're filled
with ammonia.
It's in their blood.
Great. So, don't
poke the aliens.
Fascinating.

Something happen
to him?
No. Looks like
he punctured
an internal organ
filled with some
sort of acid.
Acid? Can we use that
as an explosive?
[Rumbling]
Uh, depending on
what it is--maybe.
Lieutenant,
you got a lighter?
Yeah.
Here you go.
All right. Looks like
we got something
we can use.
Try to get as much
of that as you can.
Roger that.
How are we doing
on repairs?
I've almost got
everything ready.
And I've made
the necessary
adjustments
to get us home...
I think.
You think?
[Rumbling]
The system's
rebooting.
We'll know for sure
in about 15 minutes.
Excellent. Right,
let's get ready to go.
The thing is--
I have to object.
We need to spend
more time exploring.
We should gather

more information...
collect more
samples--
No, wait--
There's no reason
why we can't.
To leave now would
be irresponsible.
If you'll
let me finish--
We have
another problem.
The fusion generator
needs fuel to operate.
What kind of fuel?
[Creature roaring]
Water.
Okay, well,
that shouldn't be
a problem.
Ordinarily, no.
But, in case you
haven't noticed,
we don't exactly have
working faucets here.
And the nearest plumber's
over 100 dimensions away.
Well, couldn't we all
just pee in a cup?
Would that work?
How much water
do we need?
Okay. Do we have any water
in the room?
There's a few liters of
the bottled stuff.
No, it's not enough.
We'll find it.
It's the most common
substance in the world.
Uh, hi. We're not
on our world.
We'll find it.
That's perfect.

It'll give us a chance
to explore
more of the planet.
Is this thing portable?
How much does it weigh?
It doesn't matter.
We don't have time.
Doctor, with all
due respect--
No, we don't
have time.
According to
my calculations,
we only have six hours
before the aligned
conjunction
of this dimension
with our own
suffers quantum collapse.
Whoa, whoa, whoa.
For those of us
without PhD's
Once the dimensions
fall out of alignment...
We're stuck here
forever.
[Screaming]
Protect that machine!
Kill it!
Kill it!
[Roaring]
It should have been hit!
It should have been hit!

O'HARA:

[Roaring]
Where is it?
[Shouting]
[Shouting]
[Snarling]
Got you.
[Grinding]

BURK:

What's that sound?
Is it the roof
collapsing?
Go!
Come on, move!
[Screaming]
[Grunting]
Anybody?
Anybody hear me?
Anybody?!
Over here.
Rivers, you okay?
[Grunting]
I'm okay, Colonel.
Just a little
shaken up.

FAST:

Someone's here!
Hey!
Help!
[Grunting]
Okay? Are you sure?
Yeah.
Have you seen Jill?
I don't know
who Jill is.
Whoa, whoa, whoa.
Just sit down
for a minute.
Okay, man,
this is gonna hurt.
I can take it.
I can take it.
Okay. On three.
One...
two!
Ohh!
You trying to rip
my whole arm off?!
I--
God!
I'm sorry. Let me
go get something to

wrap that up with.
You're not qualified!
You're not qualified!
O'Hara! Murphy!
Help!
Give me a hand.
Take your time.
[Grunting]
[Grunting]
Is Dr. O'Hara okay?
We're still
looking for her.
The machine.
What about
the machine?
O'Hara?!
If the machine's
damaged, we can't
get home.
O'Hara.
Well, this is
a hell of a day.
A science experiment
goes wrong,
sticks us in
a monster-filled
parallel dimension
with six hours
to get home.
Still not as bad
as Tehran.
Not yet.
Jill!
Can you hear me?!
Over here.
[Grunting]
You okay?
Been better.
But I'll live.
All right,
how's the machine?
[Beeping]
Everything looks good.
Excellent. Lieutenant,

were you able
to get any of
that nasty blood
from the monster?
Yeah, got it.
Perfect. Let's see
if we can find
some pipes.
Maybe we can make
an IED.
Roger that.
Hey...you sure
you're all right?
I'm good.
Yeah.
[Creature roaring]
We're not
safe here.
As soon as everybody
catches their breath,
we gotta move out.
Where are we
gonna go?
Somewhere where
our asses
aren't sticking out in
the middle of the air.
No, we should
stay here.
[Creature roaring]
No, we need
to move out.
That thing needs
of water to operate.
Murphy, carry it.
Let's go.
Yeah.
Move out!
Okay.
You relax.
I'll carry it.
This isn't
heavy at all!
Amazing.

What do you
make of it?
The pulse radius
is larger than
I would've guessed.
These meters were,
what--
the front of
the building?
About that.
Check this out!
Found this half-buried
in the dirt!
Eh?
How come
the whole sidewalk
wasn't with it? Hm?
Why did just bits and pieces
seem to get pulled in?
Well, I can only theorize.
But the energy pulse
had the shape of
an inverted funnel.
The large side was
closest to the machine--
our control room.
The smaller end of
the funnel extended out.
By the looks of it,
half a click
from the machine.
So, only small things
got pulled in.
The further
from the machine,
the smaller the area
it pulled from.
[Creature roaring]
All right, guys.
We need to get going.
The forest to the right
looks more dense.
Where there's
more growth,

there's water.
Oh, my God.
Look.
I knew it.
I just knew it.

RIVERS:

of it, Colonel?
Looks like
a building.
Only intelligent life
could build something
like that.
Do you understand
what this means?
Colonel, look.
You see that break
in that section
of trees?
Maybe that's--
Water.
We need to get
to the water,
as quickly as we can.
Are you kidding me?
There's no guarantee
that there's a stream
down there.
But that is undoubtedly
a building built by
intelligent life.
Or it could be the home
of the things that have
been trying to kill us.
I doubt it.
These creatures
seem to run
purely on
animal instinct.
There's no way
they built that
complex structure.
I mean, what would happen if
a visitor to Earth

landed in the middle of
the Serengeti instead
of Times Square?
Wouldn't they assume
the Earth was nothing
but lions and zebras?
I agree with Dr. Fast.
But our priority is to
get water and get home.
Would that be the
retirement home,
Colonel?
We can't
turn our backs
on such
a monumental event.
I guarantee you that
there is water there.
Karen's right,
everybody.
We could be
the first people
ever to make contact
with alien life.
That's an opportunity.
I can't believe
we're even
discussing this.
We have less than
six hours
before we're
stuck here forever.
So far, nothing we've
met here has been
even remotely friendly.
There is no reason
to say who or what
lives there
will be
any different.
I don't care.
I'm heading to that building
with or without you.
Is she crazy?

She's crazy.
I'm not waiting
for you--
Hold on!
Dr. Fast is right
about one thing.
There's no guarantee
there's water over there,
and with time running out,
we need to increase our odds.
So, we're gonna split up.
Lieutenant,
take Dr. O'Hara
and Mr. Murphy.
If you find water,
radio us immediately.
This is a terrible
plan, Colonel--
If you find water,
radio us.
If we find water,
or make contact with
intelligent life,
we will radio you.
We have time, folks.
No one gets left behind.
Sounds good to me.
Lieutenant.
Make sure no one
tries to head home
without us.
Keep an eye
on these guys,
and stay in touch.
Will do.
You okay with her?
[Loads gun]
I'll be fine.
You want to switch?
That'll be
negative, sir.
Do you understand
what this means?
The possibilities.

What would we say
to them?
Hey, it's gotta be
something great,
right?
You'll go down in
the history books.
Imagine what we'll
be able to learn
from them.
Hopefully, we'll
learn the location
of some water.
Other than that, I don't think
we're gonna have much time
to chit-chat with our
new alien friends.
I'm sorry about
the retirement
crack, Colonel.
You refused
to authorize
the strike.
The President
countermanded
your order
and left you
out to dry.
All those people
killed.
It wasn't your fault
that hospital was
destroyed.
You'd prefer to
live in disgrace?
Mine is not
to reason why.
You're quoting
Tennyson.
What, yours is just
to do and die?
Something like that.

BURK:

Uh, anyone going
to the lobby?
What was Dr. O'Hara's
theory about that funnel?
Is that woman
out of her mind?
I mean, she'd rather risk
getting stuck here
forever
just to see intelligent
alien life?
I'm a little curious,
of course.
I mean, discovering
extra-terrestrial life
has been one of
my life's dreams.
My father's, too.
But self-preservation
comes before that.
I mean, we can't take risks
with other people's
lives like that--
Risks? Like
creating a machine
that explodes,
killing a group
of people,
and sending
nine more to a
parallel dimension?
[Sighs]
I'm sorry.
For everything.
Well, what do you
know? Heh!
Is that--
Water.
Hallelujah.
Is that
enough water?
No. Not nearly enough.
But it's coming
from somewhere.

Oh, crap.
Oh, my God. It's huge.
What do we do now?
We wait.
[Creature snoring]
Whoa.
Is that gonna
do anything?
Makes me
feel better.
Yeah. Me, too.
Wait here.
[Snoring continues]
You have a really
hard time listening,
don't you?

RIVERS:

Come in, Command.
Go for Command.
Colonel, we found water.
Roger that.
What's your location?
About two clicks
from the hillside.
Just about
where we guessed
there'd be water.
One small problem.
Go ahead.
One of those things
is using it to
take a bath.
Okay, stay
where you are.
We're gonna head
to your location.
We have a, uh--
a local next to us,
too. Over.
Roger that. Rivers out.
Colonel, we're going
to that building.
We have to.

This nest just
confirms my theory
that there are
two different types
of life here.
Those creatures
we've encountered
live in those nests.
Something else--
something intelligent--
built that building.
Negative.
We have found water.
And we need to exploit
that opportunity while--
[Roaring]
Damn it.
You're crazy!
You're gonna
get us all killed!
What the hell
is your problem?
It's all clear.
It took off that way
in a hurry.
Relax, soldier boy.
Relax?
I will relax
when all of us get home
safe and sound...
with or without you.
Discovering
a habitat like this
is better for our
understanding.
And I'm sorry,
I don't remember anyone
putting you in charge.
Poindexter! Get away
from the eggs!
We are all
getting out.
Shh.
[Creature growls]

Go.
This way.
[Roaring]
Why isn't it
attacking?
I don't know.
Beavis...
why is that big
pissed-off mama
looking at you?
Oh, no.
What did you do?
I took an egg.
Outstanding.
Okay, here's what
you're gonna do.
You're gonna slowly...
reach into
your pocket,
and slowly
grab the egg.
I just wanted
to be famous.
I just wanted to go
on Fox & Friends
and meet Gretchen Carlson--
We're all gonna get home.
Shut up!
And listen.
Now...
slowly...
carefully...
bend down and
put the egg
on the ground.
[Shudders]
Don't worry.
Everything's
gonna be okay.
You really think--
[Snarling]
[Roaring]
Come on, let's go.
Come on.

[Panting]

I can't believe

he did that.

Is it

following us?

I don't think so.

Oh, son of a bitch.

All right. Come on, let's go.

We're going

the wrong way.

No, we're not.

We've got to rendezvous

with the others.

I'm not going

that way.

What are you

talking about?

Colonel...

I understand

that you won't

wait for me.

But this is

an opportunity

I can't pass up.

Making contact with

another life form.

This is crazy talk.

Let me rephrase that.

Making contact

with an intelligent

life form

is something

I can't pass up.

Hey...

you never know.

I just might

make it back to you

after all.

We won't wait.

And we won't be here

if there's a problem.

Tell us what

you find, Doc.

Thank you.

And, Colonel.
The President records
all security briefings.
All conversations,
actually.
When you get back,
those recordings
will exonerate you.
When we get back.
Keep your radio on.
Careful.
Don't worry.
Just a little...
bit...more.
How's the blasting
cap coming?
It's coming well.
Have you any more bullets?
No.
That was the last
of my ammo.
And this will work?
It's a classic
pipe bomb.
It might not kill him,
but, uh...
it'll certainly
give him one hell
of a headache.
So, how do you
detonate it?
You just, uh--
You just light
the fuse.
Wish we had more.
Yeah.
You and me both.
[Clears throat]
The Colonel
should've been
here by now.
Alpha to Command.
Come in, Command.
Colonel?

Hey, Colonel,
are you there?
Where the hell
can he be?
You don't think anything
happened to him...
do you?
The Colonel and I
have--
have been in some
real tight situations
together.
He'll be here.
We're running
out of time.
If it doesn't
move soon--
Why don't we just
blast the thing
with the pipe bomb?
It's risky.
It might just
piss it off.
But we're running
out of options.
I think I've got
an idea.
How much time
do you need to
load that machine?
About ten minutes.
What are you thinking?
What exactly are you
gonna do with this?
You'll see.
Thank you.
Ohh. Great.
No rush.
Good luck.
Copy that.
What the hell
was that?
[Roaring]
[Roaring]

Come on, move!
Move!
That was his plan?
It's the worst plan
I've ever seen.
He's one crazy
son of a bitch.
We need to get to
the water while we can.
Ready?
Ready.
I hope this works.
I'm just glad
we didn't have to pee
into the machine.
Hey, water is water.
Whatever it takes
to get us home.
Water's pumping
normally.
When it reaches 95%,
I'll begin the
fusion sequence.
Easy, pal.
Jeez! Colonel, man--
you gave me
a heart attack!
I'm actually out of
bullets, anyway.
Sorry about that.
I thought you
heard me coming.
What's the
situation here?
We gotta keep moving.
I tried to use
that IED on that thing,
but it just took off
after me.
I barely got away
with my life.
I guess my plan
kind of worked.
Rivers!

Go, go, go, go!
[Roaring]
Aaaaah!
Aaaaah!
I'm gonna begin
the fusion sequence.
[Gunshots]
What?
What's happening?
[Beeping]
I don't know.
[Roaring]
Remember the last time
we escaped by the skin
of our teeth?
Son of a bitch!
Well, this ain't
one of those times.
Shut it down,
or we're gonna lose
the whole machine!
[Beeping]
Go!
You want some?
[Roaring]
Come get some!
[Explosion]
Got it.
[Shrieking]
God.
How could I have been
so reckless?
Colonel.
Did you see
Lieutenant Rivers?
Where is he?
He didn't make it.
What happened
to the machine?
Did the water not work?
It isn't the water.
The chamber
holding the coolant
must have been damaged

in the building
collapse.
We didn't realize
it had a slow leak.
Without it, the machine
can't reach the
temperatures it needs
to initiate the cold
fusion reaction.
So, in layman's terms,
we're screwed.
How do we fix it?
It uses simple Freon.
Readily available in
every hardware store
and used in every
car on earth.
But here--
Ammonia.
Ammonia.
That'd work.
We could use ammonia
as the coolant.
It's in the same
family as Freon.
We could get
the ammonia from
the monster.
Wait, that's suicide.
Okay. It's not like
we've had much luck
with these things,
but we're gonna
capture one or kill one
to get the ammonia?
But we're not--
This is crazy!
It's just crazy!
Not if we don't
have to use one of
the big mamas.
How much does
this machine weigh when
it's filled with water?

Well, it expels
the hydrogen ion
and absorbs
the oxygen, so...
it barely adds
any weight at all.
Okay. Grab the machine.
I gotta show you guys
something.
Oh, yeah.
Military man, huh?
Let the skinny scientist
carry the machine.
Anything you say,
Mr. Military Man.

SYNN:

Are you there?
I'm here, Colonel.
Did you get the water?
We did, but we've
hit another snag.
Long story short--
we've got to fix
the machine.
Have you made it
to the building yet?
Not yet. I'm close.
Soon. Very soon.
You don't have much time.
Within the hour.
I'll be in touch.
Roger that. And...
I hope you find what
you're looking for.
[Whispers] You see the nest?
Yeah.
Well, when Beavis dropped
one of the eggs,
I could smell
the ammonia,
just like I did
when I killed the first
little bastard.

So, it's in
the eggs, too.
How much do you need?
Well, I'm guessing
I--I could probably get enough
out of a couple of
the big ones.
How are we supposed
to get in there
without
getting killed?
We wait.
We wait?
Again?
We don't have
much time.
Dr. O'Hara,
we have to figure
something else out.
He'll get us
stuck here.
Or worse, killed.
You want to go get
one of those yourself?
Yeah, didn't think so.
That thing's
a killing machine.
Our best chance
for staying alive
is to sit tight
and wait.
How much time
do we have?
Three hours.
Two hours.
Which one is it?
Two hours.
Oh!
Oh! Oh!
Oh! Ohh!
Ohh!
Ohh!
This is never
gonna work.

This is never gonna work.
This is never gonna work.
This is never gonna work.
This is never gonna work.
This is never gonna work.
Keep it together,
Murphy.
Well--Well,
we're screwed.
I mean, I mean, that thing
has just been sitting
there forever.
We don't have
much time.
We need to find
another alternative.
We wait.
Dr. O'Hara,
this is insane.
We're never
gonna make it.
We need to find
a solution now.
Okay.
What do you suggest?
Uh...we find Dr. Fast.
You know she's right.
If there is intelligent
life here,
we can easily
make the repairs and
still get out of here.
Oh, come on, wake up.
She's over two hours away.
She's never gonna make it
back here on time.
This is a mistake.
We wait.
That's final.
Jillian...will you
talk to him, please?
We're running
out of time.
Oh!

Oh!
What are you doing?
I thought you
told us to wait.
I did.
I'm trying
to check out
what's on the other
side of the nest.
He's not the best
under pressure.
You think?
He's right
about one thing--
we're running
out of time.
We've got to start
thinking about Plan B.
Which is?
I'm working on that.
What the hell
are you doing?
Saving your ass.
That's a sinkhole
down there.
Why don't you look
where you're going?
[Murmuring]
Ohh.
Oh, okay, I gotta get
out of here.
Okay. I gotta get
out of here.
I gotta get out of here.
I gotta get out of here.
I gotta get out of here.
[Creature snores]
Crap, he's running.
[Whimpering]
[Creature snorts]
[Roaring]
Ohh!
[Creature roars]
[Roaring]

[Whimpering]
Figures.
[Roars]
[Murphy screaming]
We may have
another problem.
I can't believe
he just did that.
He's been my assistant
for over eight years.
He cracked.
Some people just
can't take it.
What was he thinking?
I mean, where did he think
he was gonna go?
Doc...
I need you to focus.
What do we do now?
Plan B.
[Sobs]
Ohh!
Uhh!
What are you thinking?
We lure it into here,
get it to fall in.
Once it's stuck,
we go back to the nest,
we grab the eggs
and the machine.
All right,
these should work.
All right.
I get the creature to
chase me over to here,
I grab the vine,
swing across,
it falls into the hole.
Like Tarzan?
Yes, Jane.
Just like Tarzan.
You think it'll work?
Absolutely.
How much time

do we have?
Not much.
All right. Give me a hand
with this.
Colonel,
are you there?
Colonel Synn,
can you hear me?
This is Synn.
How are you, Doc?
I've been better.
I've hit a few snags.
Yeah, we've hit
some trouble ourselves.
Colonel...
I know the window
of opportunity
is closing.
But I'm just about
to make it to
the building.
It's historic.
Good luck, Doc.
You, too, Colonel.
You, too.
Synn out.
All right,
you know what to do.
I get the machine
out of the nest first.
Once I get it back here,
then I go back
for the eggs.
And if something
goes wrong...
Run like hell.
They teach you that
at Annapolis?
Yeah, it's called
strategic redeployment
to rear.
Okay, we meet
back here.
Got it.

Are you sure
about this?
Well, I got a card game
every Tuesday night.
Never miss one.
Let's do it.
[Snarls]
All right.
Now you see me.
[Snarling]
Come on, you big
son of a bitch.
[Creature roaring]
Oh, crap.
[Creature roaring]
[Roaring]
[Screams]
[Roaring]
Oh, come on.

SYNN:

Go back!
[Creature roaring]
I don't know
what happened.
It was, uh, chasing me,
and then all of a sudden--
It's like it knew
I was going for the eggs.
Where's the machine?
It's still in the nest.
I couldn't get it out.
Crap.
We're running
out of time.
You got any ideas
for a Plan C?
You know what?
I just might have
something.
I did it.
I've made it.
No.
It seems pretty intent

on protecting these,
no matter what.
We could use this
to lure it away.
Poindexter already
tried stealing an egg,
and it didn't work out
too well for him.
Well, we'll have to do
a better job, then,
won't we?
Guess we don't have
a lot of options.
None that I can see.
[Twig snaps]
[Growls]
Get back.
Get back!
[Roaring]
[Growling]
[Roaring]
[Thud]
Come on.
Come on.
O'Hara, wake up.
Come on.
O'Hara, wake up.
Just tell me that
Plan C actually worked.
We're running
out of time.
Let's go.
Get me an egg.
Whew! That's ammonia,
all right.
We're gonna need
to strain it.
How's this?
Perfect.
I'm gonna need
a bunch more eggs.
[Creature snarling]
[Roars]
Dr. Fast, come in.

Colonel...
the machine is working.
I've located
our dimension.
We're ready to go.
We're out of time.
I'm sorry.
Is this gonna work?
Without Murphy here...
I'm not sure.
Well...
now's the time
to find out.
[Creature roaring]
[Police chattering]
[Siren blaring]
We made it.
[Sirens blaring]
You first.