

'JACK WILL' SIDES

Please prepare the following voice-over dialogue as a monologue to camera.

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JACK (V.O.)

I remember clearly seeing him for the first time. It's kinda - etched - in my brain.

JACK (V.O.)

We were in front of the Carvel on Amefort Avenue. I was about five, and with Veronica, my babysitter. She was pushing my baby brother, Jamie, in his stroller. Anyway, there was this kid walking towards us wearing an astronaut helmet - which I thought was kinda cool...

JACK (V.O.)

Until, that is, he took the helmet off...I was shocked, but it was Jamie that made the noise. He was a kid. He couldn't help it.

JACK (V.O.)

When I agreed to be his welcome buddy, it wasn't because I didn't want one of my Mom's lectures - it was more because - well, I remembered his face as Jamie screamed. Jamie is a good kid - and if he does that - lots of people must do that - and so I realized it must be pretty tough - being August Pullman.

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JACK WILL

Your Mom is so cool. My Mom never gets these. I'm lucky if I get an M & M.

Suddenly, there is a clanging sound, they both turn towards it, a kid has dropped his tray. JACK WILL looks at him, so does AUGGIE. He stares wildly back at AUGGIE, then rushes to grab his tray and run off.

JACK WILL looks back at AUGGIE, unsure what to say, and then AUGGIE starts to laugh, JACK WILL thinks and then laughs too.

AUGGIE

Must be a new kid. Did you see his face?

JACK WILL

He was like, whoa!

JACK WILL raises his hand - they high five.

AUGGIE

I swear, I think he wet his pants!

JACK WILL laughs harder. AUGGIE smiles and takes another bite of his pop tart. Bravely.

51 INT. LIBRARY. SCHOOL. DAY

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JACK WILL and AUGGIE sit beside each other in the library. JACK WILL thinks and then whispers across to AUGGIE.

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JACK WILL

You ever want to beat those kids up?

AUGGIE

Which kids?

JACK WILL looks at him. AUGGIE knows what he's talking about.

AUGGIE (CONT'D)

I guess - I don't know...

JACK WILL

I think you should get a secret squirt gun or something and attach it to your eyes somehow and every time someone stares at you, you should squirt them in the face.

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AUGGIE

With some green slime or something?

JACK WILL

With slug juice mixed with dog pee.

AUGGIE laughs loudly.

MR. ROCHE

Guys. People are still reading.

They nod and turn back to their books. JACK WILL looks up - he bites his lip.

JACK WILL

Dude, are you always going to look this way? I mean, can't you get plastic surgery or something?

AUGGIE turns with a smile.

AUGGIE

Hello!? This is after plastic surgery.

JACK WILL starts laughing hysterically.

JACK WILL

Dude, you should way sue your Doctor...

AUGGIE starts laughing too.

MR. ROCHE

Ok. Both of you out. Go sit in the hallway until the bell rings.

They leave, a gang of two.

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52 INT. ENGLISH. SCHOOL. DAY

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MR. BROWNE writes on the board - YOUR DEEDS ARE YOUR MONUMENTS. AUGGIE writes it down.

AUGGIE (V.O.)

Your Deeds Are Your Monuments. Mr. Browne told us this was written on the tombstone of some Egyptian guy that died thousands of years ago. He asked us to write about it for homework, I wrote -

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ISABEL (CONT'D)

Now go to sleep, honey. It's late
and I'm so tired.

140 INT. ISABEL'S CAR. DAY

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ISABEL drives carefully through the streets.

AUGGIE (V.O.)

Daisy's death made things -
clearer. The next day, Via brought
home three tickets to her school
play. And I - went to see someone I
needed to see.

141 EXT. JACK WILL'S HOUSE. DAY

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AUGGIE gets out of his MOM's car.

He stands looking up at JACK WILL's apartment building.

JACK WILL (O.S.)

Can't decide if you want to ring
the buzzer or not?

AUGGIE turns around, surprised to see JACK WILL.

AUGGIE

You're out here...

JACK WILL

And so are you.

AUGGIE

You weren't in school.

JACK WILL

Didn't you hear? I got suspended.
Just a week. But my mom's like - no
TV, no video games, go play
outside. Might as well have been a
month.

ISABEL makes to get out of her car, but changes her mind and
stays inside, watching her son and his friend closely.

JACK WILL (CONT'D)

I think she just wants me to stay
out of her way. In fact, I sort of
need to stay out of everyone's way.
I'm pretty sure Julian's got a hit
squad out looking for me.

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AUGGIE

Summer thinks you did it because he said something about me.

JACK WILL thinks.

JACK WILL

No. I did it because I said something about you. Halloween - I didn't mean it. I didn't even know you were there.

AUGGIE

Oh. Yeah.

JACK WILL

Not - that's not an excuse. Because saying it behind your back is no better. I'm sorry Auggie. It - sometimes it's easier not to stand out I guess.

AUGGIE thinks. And then moves across and sits by JACK WILL.

JACK WILL (CONT'D)

Summer - she seems cool.

AUGGIE

Yeah. She is. She's liked me from the first moment, I don't know why.

JACK WILL

Maybe she's just smarter than the rest of us.

AUGGIE looks at JACK WILL. The two make uncertain eye contact, AUGGIE thinks.

JACK WILL (CONT'D)

Auggie. Can we be friends again?

AUGGIE

Tell me the truth, would you really kill yourself if you were me?

JACK WILL

No. But I would totally want to kill myself if I was Julian.

AUGGIE laughs.

AUGGIE

Yeah dude, we can be friends again.

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