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## ACT ONE

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EXT. MARYLAND RURAL ROAD - DAY (D/1)

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Desolate. Hot. Humid. Last night's rain is now vapor on the warming concrete. An F150 pickup SCREECHES to a halt.

Behind the wheel is 17 year old TODD, 17 year old KAREN rides shotgun. Karen is still sucking on a Big Gulp -

KAREN

God, Todd. You're pitiful.

Todd is flying out of the car and for the woods fast -

TODD

They shouldn't make giant gulps so giant.

Karen leans on the car, bored and sips from her Big Gulp -

KAREN

(to herself)

Doesn't seem to bother me any. Micro-bladder.

CUT TO:

2 EXT. MARYLAND RURAL ROAD / BUSHES NEAR PUDDLE - DAY

2

TODD bursts through the bushes to an area hidden from the roadway. He where he UNZIPS and lets rip into a puddle.

Bliss. In the distance, he hears a HONK -

TODD

(<u>sotto</u>, re: Karen )
Nothing shuts you up, ever, even
for like five minutes.

Then Todd looks down at his stream. It is reacting with the POND WATER creating a CLOUDY BLOOM of PURPLE HAZE.

TODD (CONT'D)

(calling)

Karen? KAREN?

KAREN (O.S.)

What?

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TODD

Are you sure I'm the only guy you ever had sex with?

Todd leans down to look at the water. Through the purple he sees what looks like a <u>human skeletal hand</u>.

Then he looks around and sees some other body pieces: 12 in total, though the head is missing.

He HOLLERS and falls back out of sight.

CUT TO:

INT. PSYCHIATRIC FACILITY - DAY

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SWEETS faces ZACK across a table in an otherwise deserted day-room. Zack is in jammies, a robe, and a pair of gloves -

ZACK

Yes, I would characterize what I'm feeling as "remorse."

SWEETS

Remorse for stabbing a man in the heart?

ZACK

No, for succumbing to the faulty logic that persuaded me that his death was desirable.

SWEETS

To be clear, what you regret is falling for a line of crap.

ZACK

Define "crap."

SWEETS

Drivel. Blarney. Nonsense. Balderdash. Twaddle. Bull. Bunkum. Hooey.

ZACK

Yes. Though at the time it seemed very <u>logical</u> drivel-blarney-nonsense-balderdash-twaddle-bull-bunkum-hooey.

Sweets sighs and stands up -

SWEETS

How are your hands?

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