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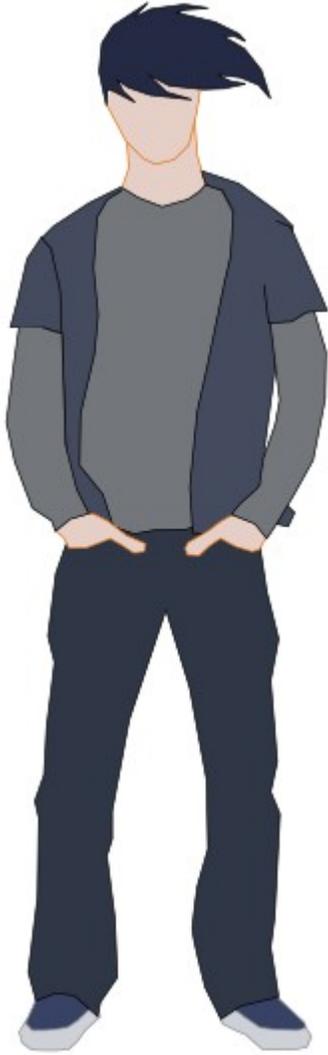
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THE INDIGO CHAPTER



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الفصل الأول: نهاية الأيام الهادئه! **Episode 1: One fine day: The last Fine Day!**

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Ah, welcome to the golden sands of Putmud, the quietest and peaceful town in Kuwait.

"Bo, the lady next door is having problems with her plumbing, can you be a dear and help her out?"

Well .. almost quiet. Life in Putmud would be ideal if your name isn't Bo. Bill Bombutachakua [age 16], or Bo like everyone calls him, is your average everyday high school student. He goes to the one and only Atabi High unisex public school!

"Bo, the dish-washer is broken again, can you fix it when you come back from school?"

As you might have guessed it, Bo's the go-to guy around the house. He lives alone with his ever-so young and beautiful mother, Bella [age 29] ever since his father died in a horrible car accident.

"Bo, your cousin is arriving this afternoon, can you go to the train station and pick her up?"

Bo's younger cousin Bobbi [age 14] lives in another state, but ever since her father passed away in a horrible car accident, she has been living alone. Now, Bella told her to come to Putmud and live with them.

"Bo, we're out of fish, can you go to the supermarket and buy some?"

"Yeah sure mom, but now I gotta go to school!"

"Okay, but don't forget to buy some on your way back!"

Bo is pretty much independent. Unlike everyone he knows, he asks nothing of people as he does everything himself, while others always come to him to solve their problems. Although he doesn't hang out with any of the boys or girls, they want to hang out with him! When the chicks see him, they flip over him. However, Bo doesn't care. It's not that he's not interested in girls, but he thinks of flirting with girls is meaningless and a waste of time. When the guys see Bo, they start chitchatting with him about pointless things. A normal conversation would be something like this:

"Hey Bo, did you see the game last night?"

"... no."

"Oh .. okay, well .. there's this really big game tomorrow night, whatta ya say I come over to your place and we can watch it together!"

"No thanks."

"Uh, busy huh?"

"Not really .. just, don't wanna."

After that the student either insists on befriending Bo and move onto another subject, or let Bo's cold words discourage him into giving up. And you can see why most students wish to have a friend like Bo. He's truthful and independent .. there aren't any people like that nowadays.

Not to say that Bo hates people, he just finds socializing a waste of time. What Bo prefers to be doing with his time is working out. If you thought "working out his brain", then you're wrong. Bo occasionally studies when he finds the time for it. What Bo really enjoys is training himself into a better martial artist. Bo practices anything related to martial arts, especially freestyle. Bo's into martial arts so much that he wishes to open Putmud's first gym for Anything Goes Martial Arts. Of course, Bo's father, when he was still alive, wished that his son would be a soccer player like he was. But Bo never did like soccer. He respected the sport like any other, but martial

arts was his thing. And he told his old man this more than once ..

In his early childhood ..

"Pops, I gotta tell ya something."

"What is it, son?"

"I don't wanna be a soccer player."

"WHAT?! Son, don't say that! You wanna give your old pops a heart-attack?"

"Okay, pops, I won't say it .. but I still ain't gonna be a player!"

Then, in Eid ..

"Bo, my boy! Did you see that shot! Man, now that's a talented player! But I know that you'll grow up to be a much better player than he'll ever be!"

"Pops, we've been through this, I'm not gonna be a player."

"AHH! BELLA, CALL AN AMBULANCE, I THINK I'M HAVING A HEART-ATTACK!"

".. Pops, I'm not gonna be a player."

In 2008, when his father was on his death bed ..

"Son ... there comes a time in every man's life when he doesn't care about anything .. except one thing .. to see his son rise up and become a champion, a legend if you will."

"... Pops, I'm not gonna be a player."

"SON YOU'RE KILLING ME HERE!"

"Sorry pops .. but I'm not."

And Bo never became a soccer player, just like his father didn't die of a heart-attack: he died in a horrible car accident.

After school was over, Bo passed on the fish market and bought some fish. He returned home, dropped his backpack, placed the fish in the freezer, fixed the dish-washer, helped the next door lady with her plumbing problem, then went to the train station to receive his cousin.

"You're late." Bobbi said as she stepped out of the train.

"... wtf, the train just stopped."

"I know, but when it was moving, I looked out of the window and didn't see you there."

"In that case, I'm sorry that your father dropped you on your head when you were a baby!"

Bo thought it, but said nothing. He acted polite. Bo knew exactly how much of a pampered brat she was. He also knew how his mother would treat her.

"Bo, be a dear and carry my luggage."

Bo kept his mouth shut as opening it would only lead to hearing her annoying voice again. He carried her two huge suitcases. As he struggled to move them, he thought of the possibility that she placed rocks and stones in them just to piss him off. Once they got home, it was Eid-season all over again!

"Oh, sweetie, welcome! How are you?"

"Auntie Bella! I'm fine! Tell me how you're doing?"

As the two hugged and kissed and chatted in rapid, high pitch speech, Bo dropped the luggage and tried to escape as it might be contagious. However, before he got out ..

"Bo, take Bobbi's luggage up to her room."

".. what room?"

"Your room, dear, that's where she'll be staying."

"My room? And where am I suppose to sleep?"

"Why, in the garage of course. After all, you seem to be spending all your time playing in there."

"It's called martial arts mom .. why can't she sleep in the garage?"

"Don't be rude, dear, she's our guest."

".. whatever."

Bo picked up her bags and put them into his room, then got out of the house.

"Auntie Bella, where is Bo going?"

"Oh, don't mind him dear, he's just gone out for a walk. He usually walks in the afternoon at around this time. Now, take a seat and make yourself at home as I go prepare tea!"

Bo walked around the streets of Putmud. He walked thinking about many things, usually things revolving the scenery he was surrounded by. Looking at the sand, he thought about nature; looking at the sun, he thought about life; looking at the stars, he thought about the universe. As Bo walked he subconsciously he got onto a bridge which was built over a stream. It wasn't something new so he walked without paying attention to where he was going. That's when he accidentally bumped into a scrawny kid who fell right off the bridge and into the water!

Bo immediately jumped off the bridge and dove into the stream to rescue humpy dumpdy. However, by the time he reached him and got him out to dry land, he had already departed from this life.

"What kind of a person would drown in a stream?"

Bo realized that he had killed him. Just like that, Bo became miserable for the very first time in his life. Bo thought the kid looked familiar, but wasn't sure where he had seen him before. Nevertheless, he picked up the body and delivered him to his house.

"Who're you?" Answered a young girl.

"Uh, I accidentally killed your brother."

"He's not my brother!"

"He's not?"

"No, I'm his bride-to-be! Is he alright?"

"Um, no. I just told you he's dead .. Isn't his father here?"

"Nope."

"His mother? .. older brother? Anyone other than you?"

"Uh-uh! You see, his mom lives in another state, but his father, his uncle and his older brother all died in a horrible car accident."

".. Sorry to hear that. Okay, where should I put the body?"

"Why are you in a hurry, you haven't had tea yet?"

"Sorry. I'd love to stay and chat, but I've gotta go turn my self in."

"Turn yourself in? Why?"

"Because it's the right thing to do."

"But going to prison would only waste your time! Besides, you look like a good person, and I don't think you meant to kill him, so why should you go? I forgive you, and I'm sure if he was alive he'd forgive you too."

".. so, I shouldn't turn myself in?"

"Yup! Because then, your family will be sad and I will be sad too. A life is wasted today and there's nothing we can do about it, but why should we waste another?"

"Well .. if you're sure, then I won't go to the police."

Bo dropped the body off, apologized and left as it was already nighttime. Bo returned home feeling sad but glad at the same time. He was sad because he killed someone, but was glad because his family understands that it was an accident. Although confused between the two feelings, Bo's sadness was stronger.

"Bo? Why the long face?"

"It's nothing, mom."

"Is it because of Bobbi? She told me what happened between you two today."

"What?! Mom, don't be ridiculous .. see you in the morning."

"You may not think it now, but I'm pretty sure you two will be more than friends."

"Mom! I'm tired and not in the mood for teasing .. see you in the morning!"

"Wait, where are you going?"

".. To sleep? I've got school tomorrow."

"That's nice, dear, but I don't think that's your room anymore."

"Oh, I forgot."

Bo turned around and headed towards the garage. Ironically, they had a garage but no car.

"Well don't you want dinner first? I made fish today!"

"Not hungry."

Bo went to the garage where he found Bobbi.

"Bobbi?! What are you doing in my room?"

"This isn't a room, it's a garage .. anyone can stay here."

"Yeah, well, I'm gonna hit the sack so beat it!"

"Aren't you gonna wish me good night."

"Good Night!"

Bobbi got the hint from Bo's tone of voice.

"Alright, I get it. No need to shout. Anyways, I just came to tell you that your closet is small so I need you to get me a bigger one tomorrow."

".. Fine, just leave."

Once Bobbi left, Bo crashed on the old sofa. He rested awhile thinking about the guy he killed, then dosed off to dreamland. There, Bo saw himself walking among the students in his school. Everyone there looked at him oddly.

"What?!"

Bo was confused to why everyone was looking at him so he took a look in the mirror. Bo saw blood on his hands. That's when he woke up. Bo went into the garage bathroom and washed his face. That's when he saw that his hair was silver instead of indigo. It was silver just like the color of the kid's hair .. the same kid he accidentally murdered! Then, Bo noticed that his bones were scrawny as his.

"What's .. happening to me?!" Bo panicked.

"You're becoming me!" He said.

"What?! Whose there?!" Bo asked.

"It's me, Ly, the boy you killed! I'm in your body!"

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THE SILVER CHAPTER



Hotel For Five

خمسه بواجد

الفصل الثاني: الصراع من أجل السيطره على الجسد!

Episode 2: His and His Other Self! A Split Personality?

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"Did it really happen?"

The next day, Bo woke up in confusion. Bo's memory was hazy about the events of late last night. He sprang off the couch and ran into the bathroom facing the mirror. His body was the same since junior high as well as his hair.

"Good .. it was only a nightmare."

However, after splashing his face with water ..

"You had a nightmare?"

"AH!"

Bo shouted panicking as his lips moved and said something he did not mean to say! Even the followed scream he felt he had no control of. Bo tried to slap his cheeks to sober up, but his hands didn't move! Then, without wanting to go, his legs lead him out of the bathroom. It was as if someone was in control of his body!

Bo watched without interference as his body marched shakingly out of the garage and into the living room, bumping into the furniture along the way.

"Yo cuz, what's with the silver hair? You dyed it or something?"

"Bobbi, help!" Bo wanted to shout, but instead, his mouth said: "Where am I? Who are you people?"

"Dear, you're acting strange." Bella commented, "Now sit down and have some eggs."

"This is an experiment, right? I'm in a virtual reality and you people are aliens!"

"Cousin, dear, what are you babbling about?"

"Stay back! I warn you, stay back!"

After going nuts in front of Bella and Bobbi, Bo's body's controller ran outside into the streets. It's clear as day that he was more freaked out from this than Bo. He ran to his old resident and ringed the bell.

"Yes?"

"Lily, it's me!"

"And who might you be?"

"Ly, your fiancée!"

"Ahh!"

After shouting in his face, she whacked him with a slap out-cold! When he came to, he saw that he was in the living room and in front of him was Ly's bride-to-be, Lily [age 14].

"Are you alright? Please forgive me for hitting you earlier, but when you said you were Ly, I thought I'd seen a ghost! If you're fine, please say something. If you have a concussion, please say you have a concussion."

".. What happened?"

"Like I said, I hit you."

"No, I mean, before that. I was like .. sitting behind a monitor. I saw everything, but I couldn't control myself."

".. Hmm, reminds me of my uncle. When he sees my friends at school, he couldn't control himself either!"

"I'm serous here! Something's totally gone whack! I felt like I am possessed by a demon!"

"Could it be .. Ly?"

"Ly ... so he's Ly! I knew I've seen him before!"

Bo identified the intruder as Lenny Lycochidamazi [age 14], or Ly as everyone calls him. He knew him from school.

"I knew there was something strange about him, turns out his a witch!"

"He's not a witch! Ly's a nice guy. I might not love him, but I sure was gonna marry him!"

"?!?"

"Anyways, what's Ly doing in your body?"

"I dunno."

"And where's he now? Is he like a ghost haunting you for what you did? Can he hear us now? When will he speak again?"

"I said I don't know. Now chill a sec. I'm no expert, but I think he's haunting my body."

Bo was half way there. He knew that Ly didn't die yet, but failed to understand how he emerges in his body and lives on through him.

"Think Bo, think!" Bo thought to himself. "There must be a reason to why he appeared this morning .. I got it! Water! I splashed water on my face and he was in! That must be because Ly died of drowning! It all makes sense now!"

Although not in a hurry to lose control over his body again, Bo had to put his theory to test. He ran outside and splashed some water from a pond on his face. Within the same second, he saw his reflection in the pond get scrawny and the transformation of his hair's color.

"I knew it."

Bo was glad that he was right, now, he wished he could find a way to restore his control once again! Ly charged like a crazy person in the street. He was still panicking from this weird twist of fate. He was running scared, even from his own shadow.

"I probably should relax and enjoy the ride as it would soon be over." Bo thought. But then, Bo saw himself running into the street! "Not that kind of over!"

Ly ran across the street in panic as Bo watched in horror. Luckily for both of them, Ly wasn't hit by any of the passing cars. However, when he crossed the street to the other side, he fell on the floor and bumped his head. When he came to, he was Bo again.

"Okay, from now on, water is bad!"

Later that evening, at dinner, Lily came inside the living room with her luggage.

"Lily? What are you doing here?"

"Good evening Bo's mom and Bo's sister! Bo, sweetie, I came to live with you!"

"Wha?!"

Turns out that Lily sold the house her and Ly's parents bought for her and Ly. It was a gift for their marriage .. their arranged marriage that is. Lily never really loved Ly, but now that he lived in a better body, she didn't mind!

"I'm staying in your room!"

"I don't have a room. I live in a garage!"

"Okay, then .. I'm gonna stay in your garage!"

"No," Bella refused, "no girls are gonna share a room with my son! Lily, since Bo technicality killed your only remaining family, you're welcomed to stay here .. but only in Bobbi's room!"

"Yes, Bo's mom!"

"Looks like you have a girlfriend, lover boy!" Bobbi commented laughingly.

"Not if I have anything to say about it!" Bo said as he went through his dinner fast.

The following morning, Bo woke up with Lily in his face.

"AHH!"

"That's not a polite way of saying 'hey' to your bride-to-be!"

"You're not my bride-to-be! And what the heck are you doing in my garage?"

"I came to call you for breakfast!"

"Oh .. so, what's for breakfast?"

"I made you my special triple eggs on a waffle with bacon on the side, just for you .. hey!"

"Sorry, gotta go to school!"

Bo escaped. As Bo walked to school like he usually does, he saw Kent Kakashemashee, or Kaka [age35] as everybody calls him. Bo has no relationship whatsoever with him, but knew him as he was the local bus driver to Atabi high. Like everyday, as Bo passed, he saw Kaka getting angrier by the second. The students' words were like sharp blades to his heart.

"Hey Kaka, sorry I don't have the money for the ride, but I'll pay you tomorrow."

Then another ..

"Kaka, my man! I know I know, I promised to pay you today, but the thing is, I'm broke! How about next week?"

Then another ..

"My dad said he'll pay you next year when I graduate, I hope that's fine!"

Everyone was taking advantage of Kaka's kind heart, an act which was making him furious. Kaka didn't kick them off the bus as he needed the money and the job, but in the same time he got no money .. every student postponed their payments!

When everyone, except Bo who preferred to walk the 10 minutes distance, was on board, Kaka sat in the driver's seat, shut the door and drove off. However, because one of the student's window was open, a paper flew out.

"Kaka! Please, stop the bus! My assignment just went out the window! Please, I need it!"

Kaka pulled over, opened the door and got out. He did it while keeping his angry face on. The thing about Kaka is: he's a nice guy, but the annoying nonpaying students are going to give him a heart-attack. As Kaka got out he saw the paper had flown all the way across the street and was stuck in the bush. Kaka crossed the street forgetting to look both ways, and that's when a speeding truck came!

Bo saw it and ran then jumped onto Kaka shoving him out of the way. Bo and Kaka landed on the other lane, away from the speeding truck.

"Sir, are you-"

Before Bo was able to continue his sentence, Kaka was hit by another speeding car coming from the other direction! Kaka's body was popped into a million pieces leaving only blood and chunks of meat on Bo, the road, the bus and the bushes. Bo stood motionless for a while.

Bo didn't go to school that day. Instead, he returned home. As he walked towards his house, a car passed. Upon hearing it's engine, Bo's body grew in size; Bo's hair became red. Bo knew he was now possessed by Kaka!

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الفصل الثالث: مشكله على الطريق! -

Episode 3: Three is a Crowd! Get out of My Body!

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The long-awaited day finally came! On this day, the students of Atabi High were going on a field trip to the Kuwait Towers! They weren't excited about going to the towers as much as they were excited to spending a school day outside of school! The students came to school without their books or their backpacks as they weren't going to study anything. Bo, however, had no choice but to bring two people with him, Ly and Kaka.

As the students lined up in front of the buses, Bo shoved earplugs in so as not to change into Kaka. As for Ly, he just had to avoid water. After everyone was on board, the buses left.

"Bo, what are you gonna do when we get there? .. Bo?"

Bo didn't reply. He wasn't even looking at the student. The student considered him a jerk and turned around talking to someone else. Bo couldn't remove his earpieces as it would mean the taking over of Kaka. Bo kept his leaned head on the window next to him while looking at the high-speed moving street. As he looked onto the streets, he noticed that it was going faster and faster by the second. Bo didn't think about it first, but when he saw that the the bus was somewhat wobbly, he turned around. Bo heard nothing, but saw everyone panicking! Some of the students were crying while others were ducking in their seats. Bo got up and made his way towards the driver and asked him:

"What's going on?"

The bus driver answered Bo as he drove, but because of the earplugs, Bo heard nothing. Bo saw the expression on the worried driver's face and knew this was no joke. He asked him the same question again, but this time, he removed the ear plugs from his ears.

"I said, the bus is gone haywire! I can't slow down or pull over! And every time I step on the break pad, it goes faster!"

"Get out!" Kaka shouted at the bus driver as he shoved him aside and took over.

Bo knew nothing about cars and buses, but if there was anyone who knew anything about this, it was Kaka. Bo had to let him out for his as well as the others' safety. Kaka was not only in control of Bo's body, but now, the bus as well. He hoped he'd soon be in control of this situation as well! Kaka took a turn towards an open field as so not to hit any of the other cars. As the road became bumpy, he turned around towards the frighten students.

"Everyone stop panicking and take your seat! Don't worry, kids, everything's gonna be fine!"

".. Bo?"

The students were shocked of the way Bo was behaving.

"And as for you," Kaka turned towards the bus driver, "I need your help!"

Kaka told the bus driver to grab the wheel and remain heading in the same direction. Once he took the wheel, Kaka opened the door of the moving bus and stepped on the footsteps. Then, he reached out towards the nearby fuel lid and opened it. The fuel immediately started to spill out of the tank and onto the sand. Within no time at all, the bus started to lose fuel and began to slow down. Eventually, the bus came to a stop. Needless to say, everyone charged out of the bus as if it was going to start going again!

Everyone jumped out of joy, then thanked Kaka for his rescue:

"Bo! You're a genius! Thanks man! I owe you my life!"

"Yeah, dude, you rock!"

"Well, it was nothing really," Kaka replied as he scratched the back of his head, "You just gotta know how to handle these situations when they come to you, you know? Living with a bus for my whole life I've thought a lot about similar situations like these, but nothing this interesting ever happens! HA HA HA!"

"Uh, Bo .. what are you talking about? You hardly ever take the bus."

"Oh, right. I don't, do I? .. Well, what I meant to say was, seeing the great Kaka at work made me feel a part of him! Anyways, I gotta run, catch you later, kids!"

Kaka exited the scene heading back to Putmud.

".. Why does he keep calling us kids?"

Kaka wasn't ready to lose control over Bo's body yet. There was someone who he needed to talk to first. He ran all the way back to his home and found her studying.

"Hey, daddy."

Meet Kari [age 35], Kaka's only daughter and love. Since her attention was fixated on the book she was reading, she didn't turn around and see who had just entered the living room. She assumed it was her dad as she lived alone with him. Her six brothers all died in horrible car accidents. However, when she did turn around and look at him, she saw that he wasn't her father.

"Bo? What are you doing here?" She said as she got shy.

"Kari, it's me, daddy!"

After hearing his words, she got confused.

".. Bo, is this a joke?"

"No, I'm just stuck in his body! .. I'll prove it! Your idea of a good time is reading books, not dating boys. You like 'The Cat's Return' so much that you think you can speak to cats when you were younger! But, you think the title sucks and 'Whisper of the Heart' would've been a better suited title!"

".. How .. do you know all that?"

"Do I really have to say again?"

"No no, I'll take your word for it .. I think. You look like Bo, but you sound like my father. Also, your hair is red like he's."

"Good deductions, Sherlock Holmes, now do you believe me, or do I have to go through all of your fantasies out load? Keep in mind that Bo can hear everything we say!"

"Okay, daddy, shesh! I believe you ... so .. now what?"

"I'm not sure .. maybe I should go to the doctor. Whatever I do, I mustn't fall asleep because once I do that, Bo's in control again."

"Well, daddy, it's his body, isn't it? Maybe he should be the one in control!"

"What? Are you on his side .. and how the heck do you know Bo anyways? I thought you didn't talk to boys at school!"

"I didn't, alright! I never spoke to Bo just like he's never spoken to me!"

Kari blushed again as she looked the other way. Kaka was too oblivious to notice how his daughter was acting whenever Bo's name comes up.

"Anyways, I'm going to the doctor, you coming?"

"No! I think what you're trying to do is wrong! You died, live with it! But don't drag Bo into this, he never asked for any of this!"

"Fine, be that way!"

Kaka left his house with anger as he headed towards the doctor. After examination, the doctor told him he was in perfect condition, but he might want to check with a shrink. Although Kaka knew he wasn't crazy, he made an appointment. The shrink told him that Kaka was one of the parasites inhabiting Bo's body.

"There're others?"

"Well, yes. Technicality speaking, there's one other besides you and Bo. Now, what I want you to do is lie down as I hypnotize you so that all three of you can be present and talk at the same time, but only you can move your body muscles. Fair enough?"

"Yeah alright."

Kaka did as the shrink told him and, just like the shrink said, all three were present!

"Kaka," Bo said, "what the heck are you thinking going to a shrink?"

"Trying to get you out!"

"But this is my body!"

"Uh, guys," Ly interrupted, "can I go home?"

"NO!" Both Bo and Kaka shouted at the same time.

"Doc., listen, these two numskulls got killed and now they moved in with me, please, doc., I'm begging you here, get them out!"

The shrink was fascinated by the interesting event. Bo was lying on the sofa while speaking and answering himself in completely different opinions and personalities.

"Yes yes, I see what is going on here." The shrink said.

"You do?" Bo said.

"Sure can, but I'm afraid I can't help you!"

"What?!" All three of them shouted out in a shock!

"I'm afraid there isn't a therapy in the world that could cure your condition. The only way anyone can be completely in control is by killing the other, and I am not about to kill the real host or my client!"

"Then what about Ly?" Bo asked, "He's not the real host nor your client. Do me a favor and whack him off!"

"Hey!" Ly argued.

"Shut up, boy, or I'll punch myself in the stomach!" Kaka threatened himself.

The shrink stopped his therapy, returning the power back to Kaka as promised. Kaka refused to let the shrink dismiss him. That's when the shrink had no choice but to whack him out of consciousness! When he came to, he saw that he was lying on the couch and the shrink was sitting on the opposing chair.

"Bo, I presume?"

".. Yeah, doc. It's me."

"Sorry about the bump on your head, but I had to do that. I know people like Kaka and how insistent they could get."

"You did the right thing doc, thanks .. so there's really nothing you can do?"

"Nope."

"Well, thanks anyways."

Bo left the office thinking that this might be it. There might be no cure for his condition, but there were ways of preventions. Bo can only take a shower before going to bed. That way,

when Ly takes over, he would be too tired to panic and just go to sleep. As for car engines, Bo must stay away from the streets.

Later that afternoon in the Bombutachakua household, Bella was preparing dinner. Bo was putting in a new closet for Bobbi as she sat on her bed chewing chewing gum and watching him. Lily was helping set the table for dinner. Then, a door bell rang. Bo answered the door while Bobbi peaked out of her room and Bella peaked out of the kitchen. Lily was in the living room, so she didn't need to lean in order to peak.

"You do know that curiosity killed the cat, right?" Bo told them before he opened the door.

"We're not cats!" Bobbi replied.

"Yes, dear husband!" Lily replied.

"Bo, don't call your mother a cat!" Said Bella.

Bo ignored them and opened the door. It was Kari, blushing, with two huge suitcases!

"Who're you?"

"I'm Kari, you idiot! I'm in your cousin's class as well as your school!"

"Oh .. what do you want?"

"See that luggage, genius? Figure it out!"

"What?! You wanna move in? Why in the world would you do that?!"

"Because I wanna live with daddy, and daddy's living in you!"

While Bo stood in confusion, Kari bypassed him and walked in. Her father's house was not theirs but rented. Since Kari was living alone in it, she decided to pay the landlord and move out!

"Well," Bella said, "since Bo did kill your father, you can stay here .. you can share my room! We can be roommates!"

"Thanks Mrs. Bombutachakua!"

"Oh, dear, I hate long formal names, call me Bella!"

"And you can call me mommy!" Lily told Kari.

Seeing that Lily planned on marrying Bo, and since Bo was like Kari's dad, Lily thought of her classmate Kari as her new daughter!

"How about I call you an idiot?" Kari reacted to Lily's joke.

".. How dare you, you brat! Respect your mother!"

Lily replied while slapping Kari on the cheek! Kari might be polite, but she had her pride. She jumped on Lily engaging in a cat fight!

"If I didn't know any better," Bobbi commented, "I'd say they're fighting over Bo!"

"Okay, I'll have none of that here!" Bella stepped up, "If you girls want to live here, you'll have to behave and put your differences aside, is that clear?"

"Yes Bella." Said Kari.

"Yes Bo's mom." Said Lily.

"Good. And Kari, you can start acting like a member of this family right away. Come and help me prepare dinner in the kitchen, we're having fish tonight! Oh, and Bo, dear, shut the door, you'll catch a cold."

Bo was still confused to how this had happened. Two days ago, he's house was practically empty. Now, he lives in a house full of girls and lives in a body full of boys!

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الفصل الرابع: البحث عن
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**Episode 4: His Source of
Misery! Must be Alone Again!**

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It was past noon when Bobbi, Lily and Kari just came back from school. Being in the same class and going to the same house, they accompanied each other after Bobbi gave them a lecture:

"You two should stop bickering! It's like both of you are married to Bo!"

But even after that, the two returned to bickering:

"What?!" Kari replied blushing and looking the other way, "Don't be ridiculous!"

"Yes, don't be ridiculous! Bo's my husband!"

"He's not your husband, your husband's dead!"

"So is your father!"

"Ah! Take that back!"

"Guys, take it easy, you're fighting over an dumb boy!" Bobbi butted in, then teased both of them: "Besides, Bo's mine. I'm in love with him!"

"Ah! No way he is!" Both of Lily and Kari exclaimed out loud.

Whenever Lily and Kari were together, they always found something to fight about. Bobbi, who was a natural-born troublemaker, found herself in an odd place. For once in her life, she had to break it up between the two of them.

When the three got home, they saw only Bella.

"Auntie, where's Bo? I didn't see him at school today!"

"Oh, he didn't go? .. I guess he couldn't wait until after school .."

"Wait after school for what?" Bobbi asked.

"He said something about going to Putmud Woods. I heard him going off about a witch doctor who lives there who might be able to turn him to normal again."

Bo had enough living with 2 people in his own body. As so not to go completely nuts, he decided to be free again. After searching for a cure and asking people for a permanent treatment, Bo heard about Mari Mafeeitchwiii [age 43], or Mafee, a man who lived all the way in the deep deep swamps of Putmud Woods. He lives there with his wife and create all sorts of potions from things he finds in the swamp, and that what grabbed Bo's attention.

It took Bo a while to find his way around to Mafee's old house, but once he got there, he got a little discouraged. The house looked like a place where a witch would resign. Bo knocked the door expecting a monster, but instead, he found a middle aged man.

"Ah, welcome! Come in, my boy, come in! I've been expecting you!"

".. You .. have?"

"Nope, had no clue, but I always wanted to say that! He he! Well, what can I help ya with?"

"I'm looking for a ghost-ridding potion. Do you have anything like that?"

"Ah, but of course! Ol' Mafee's got everything! He he .. So, you've got some ghostly skanks in your old mansion, do you?"

"Try ghostly skanks in my body. They're possessing me!"

"Oh dear!"

"But don't worry. They only come out if I'm sprayed with water or hear engines running!"

".. Interesting .. So, they're not contagious?! Ha ha ho! .. Well now, let's see if I got what you need in the back!"

While Mafee went around the back looking for the requested item, Bo looked around. He

saw lots of books, jars and rats, but above all, there were vines everywhere!

"Quite a place you got here! .. Say, I heard you had a wife, she around?"

"Oh yeah, she's right in front of you on the desk!"

Bo looked on the desk and saw only one thing alive.

"It's a frog."

"Sure is. Say hello to Moon [age 41], the love of my life! She wasn't always a toad, you know. I caught her cheating on me with another man, so I turned him into a stag and her into a toad.

Later that night, we had deer meat for dinner! Ha ha ha .. Go ahead, touch her! She won't bite!"

"No thanks, I'm ranidaphobic!"

"... Hmm. I could've sworn I had a bottle of ghost-ridding potion around here!"

After failing to find the request, Mafee got back to the front desk with empty hands.

"Sorry kid, don't know what to tell ya!"

".. How about up there?" Bo asked as he pointed to a high shelf.

"You know ... you just might be right. I guess the old nut isn't working like it use to! He he!"

Mafee climbed up the ladder to take a closer look on the jars above. As he searched, Bo's nose started to tingle. Bo wasn't used to a dusty place like this, and so, this exposure lead to an uncontrollable loud sneeze! Mafee lost balance and fell off the ladder. Once he hit the floor, the higher shelf collapsed right after him, and so, the potion jars fell down on him and broke on his body. The spilled potion lead to his instant death.

".. I ... killed him!" Bo stuttered out in shock as he saw Mafee die.

As Bo froze in his place unsure what to do, Moon hopped towards him and touched him.

Once there was contact, Bo's body became wrinkly while his hair turned teal!

"Moon, get off of me! .. wait a minute, what am I doing over here?"

Mafee was confused to how he stood next to the table watching his own body dead. Then, he understood what Bo had meant. He knew that now he was one of the many ghosts inhabiting Bo's body! Although freaked out, Mafee was somewhat happy. It was a nice feeling to be young again, not to mention interesting .. being in another's body and all.

Mafee decided to go into town with his new dashing look. Moon, who was still in love with her husband, followed him. Mafee noticed her.

"Moon, my love, how could I have forgotten you? Here, you can climb on my shoulder!"

And so, with Moon on his shoulder, Mafee walked out of the swamps and into the street with a proud and beaming smile! As he walked cheerfully, people thought Bo was acting strange.

"Isn't that Bo?" Kari asked.

Bobbi, Lily and Kari saw him. They marched right towards him with a puzzled look.

".. Bo?"

"Oh! Hi girls!"

Although Mafee didn't know them, he didn't mind getting to know them!

"Say? How about you cuties and I get together?"

"He's not Bo." Bobbi knew. "Who is this? Ly? Is that you, you pervert?!"

"Nah, actually, my name is Mafee, nice to meet you!"

Mafee stuck out his hand for a handshake, but nobody took it.

".. You see, Bo was in my shop. I was on a ladder when he sneezed out loud and I fell."

"Oh great, Bo killed another man!" Bobbi stated, "So what is it this time? How did you take

control over Bo's body?"

"By a single touch of this beauty!" Mafee took out Moon and kissed her.

"Gross!" Bobbi said without feeling, but disgusted.

"She's Moon, my lovely wife .. oh yes you are! Oh yes you are."

"Ahem!" Bobbi cleared her throat to get Mafee's attention back.

"Oh, sorry."

"Okay mister," Lily said, "I hope you are aware that I will have to hit you now."

"What? Why?"

"To get Bo back!"

"Wait a sec.," Bobbi interrupted, "excuse us for a minute, will you Mafee? Thanks!"

Bobbi turned around with Lily and Kari while Mafee waited in confusion.

"What?" Lily and Kari asked Bobbi.

"How about we leave him like this?"

"Bobbi! That's just mean!" Kari said.

"Relax honey, you're gonna get your boyfriend back," Kari blushed as Bobbi said it, "but for now let's leave swamp-man in charge. You never know when we'll get to see him again. Besides, I would just die to see Bo's body walking like a crippled swamp monster, wouldn't you?"

Bobbi turned back towards Mafee with a smile, while Lily and Kari weren't as excited.

"Okay Mafee, we won't hit you."

"You won't?!"

"Yup. Go around and have fun, but try to contain your entertainment in Putmud, okay?"

As Bobbi watched with a wicked smile, Mafee jumped around in joy. Bobbi laughed at Mafee, but in fact, she was laughing at Bo. Never in a million had she thought Bo would act like such a fool in front of the entire neighborhood. As Mafee had his fun, Bo endured it with pain thinking that he will get revenge on Bobbi.

At dinner time, Bobbi told the whole story to Bella as everyone was present.

"So," Bella said to Bo, "you went to rid yourself of your unwelcomed guests, but instead, you got another? .. So that's what they mean by irony!"

"Laugh if you will, but this isn't over!"

"What?! Don't tell me you still insist on finding a cure?"

"Am I living in a house full of unrelated noisy girls?"

"Uhhh ..."

"Yes, mom. I'm still gonna search for a cure!"

"But I don't understand .. why can't you just smile and be happy?"

"Because I'm not a freak'en hotel alright?!"

"Hubby, are you sad?" Lily said as she crawled next to Bo. Kari got red of fury and jealousy.

"I'm not your 'hubby' and you're not my bride! So just bug off, Lily!"

"... I know you don't mean that, so I forgive you!" Lily replied with a smile.

Bo got up and left the table. As he did, he thought about his mom's words about being happy .. but then erased them. He decided not to stop looking for a cure.

"What's the worst that could happen?" Bo thought to himself.

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الفصل الخامس: ... نهايه سعيده؟! ..

Episode 5: From Four to Five! Lifetime Companions!

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The next morning, Bo woke up with a somewhat relaxed mind. It was finally Friday, the weekend. As he opened his eyes, he saw something teal hovering over him. As he rubbed his eyes to sober up, he saw that it was Moon!

"Ahhhhhh!"

Bo screamed as he jumped off the couch and stuck his back against the wall. As he breathed with difficulty, he saw Bobbi holding Moon and laughing her mind off!

"Get that thing out of here! Don't you know that I have ranidaphobia?"

"I know, that's why I brought her here!"

".. Why did you have to wake me up so early? It's not even a school day!"

"I know. There's a guy at the door for you."

"A guy?"

"Yeah, from school. He said he's name was Shiji .. ji .. ji .. ji ... ji - I don't know, there were a lot of 'ji's in his name. Anyways, he's at the door."

Bo got out and saw a kid he'd seen once or twice in school.

".. Who're you?"

"My name is Shawn Schijejejegie [age 17], but my friends call me Schij. But you, my dear opponent, are not my friend! For I, the great nobleman and swordsman of Atabi High, shall challenge you for your gym."

".. I don't have a gym yet."

"Oh .. then where do you train?"

"In my garage."

"So be it! I shall challenge you for your garage! Without further ado, let us begun!"

With that, Schij took out his sword and started slashing it towards Bo with the aim of killing or hearing him surrender. Bo had no choice but to evade as he tried to tell Schij to quit it!

"Yo, champ! The garage's isn't for selling or winning!"

"I will hear no such thing! Now stand like a man and fight!"

As Bo continued to jump back dodging his attacks, Schij charged and followed Bo to where ever he went. Bo jumped onto a high fence, and so did Schij with his sword; Bo jumped onto the next door house's roof, and so did Schij with his sword; Bo jumped onto a moving car, and so did Schij with his sword. Upon hearing the car's engine running, Bo became Kaka. Unlike Bo, Kaka charged towards Schij with his shoulder.

"Ah, finally decided to fight like a man, eh?"

Schij evaded Kaka's charge as Kaka slipped and fell from the car and onto the ground next to a pond. Schij jumped off the car and in landed on his feet in front of Kaka. As Kaka got up on his two feet, Schij got excited for a real fight. Surprisingly enough, Kaka was too. He wanted to teach the snob a lesson he'd never forget. However, as a passing car passed by, it splashed some water onto Kaka which gave Ly control.

"A little water never hurt anyone! Now fight!" Schij told his opponent.

However, Ly just turned around and ran away like a chicken.

".. Coward! Running away won't get you away from me!"

Schij, with his sword in his hand, ran after Ly.

Ly ran around in circles until he eventually bumped into a wall and fell down out-cold. When Schij reached him, he raised his sword to plunge it into his opponent's chest. However, he hesitated.

"No! How could I ever call myself a nobleman if I take down a defenseless man while he is unconscious?! .. Fine, I shall await his recovery."

And so he did. He held his same position until Bo came through. The first thing Bo saw was a sharp sword in his face.

"Wha?! Are you crazy?!"

"Bill Bombutachakua, prepare to die!"

As the sword came closer, Bo rolled over to his side. As he rolled, his foot accidentally got tangled with Schij's foot. Schij fell down facing down with his sword in front of his chest. As Bo looked at Schij, he saw that he had died by his own sword.

Bo got up and carried the body with him. Although he didn't want to take responsibility for Schij's foolish behavior, he had to deliver him to his family and tell them the truth. However, after finding out that Schij's house was all the way upstate, Bo decided to tell his family the news first.

"You killed another guy? That's like the fourth one this week!" Bobbi said out loud, "Are you always this killer?"

"Ever since you showed up, yeah!"

"Sure, blame it on me, psychopath!"

"Just keep talking, you might be next!"

Bo realized that talking to Bobbi about it wouldn't be of much use, so he went and told his mother.

"Oh! .. Well, at least he's not living inside of you!"

"That's not the point, mom!"

"Bo, you gotta slow down. I understand how killing people might cause a thrill of some sort, but I'm sure its not healthy or the law would've allowed it."

"I didn't mean to kill him! I didn't mean to kill any of them! Uh, you know what? Never mind. I'll just go to his family and tell them the truth. Hopefully, they'll be understanding like Lily. If not, then I'll go to jail where I couldn't kill anyone else!"

"Bo ..."

Bella was sad to see how much Bo was effected by all of this, but she also knew that he had to solve this problem on his own.

Bo took the train to the state and found his way to the Schijejejegie household. As he did, he wondered:

"Why the heck did he attend Atabi High while there are millions of high schools here?"

Bo got all kinds of stares as he dragged with him the dead body. When he reached the Schijejejegie resident he was surprised to know that Schijejejegie was rich! Their 699 acres mansion was practically glittering with gold! Bo knocked the door and the butler answered.

"Can I see Mr. Schijejejegie, please?"

"Mr. Schijejejegie is not here at the moment. What is your message?"

"Tell him that I killed his son."

Bo dropped the body.

"Oh dear," the butler said, "that is Mr. Schijejejegie!"

".. Oh boy!"

"Please, come in. Have a seat while I go get Mrs. Schijejejegie."

Bo was welcomed in the mansion. He took a seat in the living room. It was nothing like the living room he had back home. Here, people wouldn't sit on the floor around a wooden table, but sit on separate couches in a spacious, golden environment fit for a king. Then, a lady came in. She was about Schij's height and had his same hair color.

"Mrs. Schijejejegie?"

"Please, call me Shore [age 17], Mrs. Schijejejegie was my mother. They told me my twin brother is dead."

"Yes, I'm afraid it's true."

"Did he die in a horrible car accident? All the males in my family died in horrible car accidents."

"No, actually, I killed him .."

"What?!"

".. with his own sword."

"Impossible! What technique did you use?"

".. dodging? I don't know, lady, I wasn't even fighting him!"

"Lair! My brother was the best swordsman there ever lived! You don't kill the best by dodging! .. Alright then, if you say you're that good, then I will challenge you to battle to the death!"

"No, not this again."

"In this duel, I will prove that you are nothing more than a fraud who got lucky, and I will avenge my brother's death as well! On guard!"

"Lady, I don't wanna fight you!"

It was too late by then. Shore had started the duel whether Bo wished it or not! Bo, not wanting to kill or be killed, started evading like he did in the last duel! She was faster than he had expected, and so, Bo had to turn around and run.

"Coward!"

Bo stopped.

He hated when someone calls him a coward.

But .. that wasn't the reason why he had stopped.

As he turned around, Shore was shocked to see Bo's body has altered into her brother's body size, as well as having his golden hair color!

"Schij .. is that you?"

"It is now!"

"But .. how?! When?!"

"I've been in this fool's body ever since he killed me. But now that you taunted him, I was set free. However, I have a feeling this will only last until this body is put to rest. Then, I presume Bo would take control again .. and frankly my dear, I'm exhausted!"

Bo has been running and jumping around all over town all day long. Then, he went all the way up state dragging a body bigger than his own size. And to top it all off, Shore just gave him a little run-for-his-life exercise!

"Brother, tell me what to do, and I'll do it!"

"Quick, I need you to fix my bed, for I am tired and would like to lie down!"

"Not that! About Bo?"

"You know the Schijejegie traditions .. carry them out!"

After that, Schij went to sleep. Bo woke up seeing himself in different surroundings. He was surrounded by blue stripes of wallpaper .. he was back home! As he looked to his left, he saw the table and knew he was lying in the living room. Then, he saw Bella.

"What happened?"

"This nice lady brought you here." Bella replied.

As Bo looked at the 'nice lady', he recognized her.

"Oh, Shore .. thanks!"

Then, Bo saw suitcases next to her.

".. What's with the suitcases?"

"Bo, I've come to live with you."

"Oh no!"

"Oh no is correct, but I have no choice in the matter. My father's will is clear as day: I can only live in the Schijejegie residence as long as I live there with my brother, and unless the two of us share that house equally and happily, none of us are allowed to live there anymore."

"I'll move there with you!" Bo said as he wanted the rich mansion for a home!

"Doesn't work that way. Also, as a part of the Schijejegie tradition, it is required of the defeated girl to submit herself to the one who defeated her, as well as to marry him."

"Say what now?"

"I will be your wife."

"Wha?! But you want me dead."

"Yes, but I shall put aside my feelings for the tradition."

"That's a ridiculous tradition!"

"Insult the Schijejegie traditions again and you will die. I may be your wife, but that won't stop me from stabbing you in the chest!"

"But .. mom, say something!"

"Bo dear, a tradition is a tradition!"

"Shee, thanks a lot mom! Shore, technicality I didn't defeat you, so you don't have to live here!"

"I'm moving in and that's final!"

Bo, worn out of the recent insane events, dropped his head on the ground again and went to sleep. Bo woke up early the next morning. He looked around in the quiet garage, then went into the living room. He scanned the somewhat peaceful room: Bella was making dinner, Bobbi was lying down chewing gum, Lily was helping set the table, Kari was reading a book, Moon was ribbiting on the table, and Shore was practicing with her sword. Strangely enough, they looked happy.

"Something wrong, dear?" Bo's mom asked.

"Well, yeah .. it's just that .. there's four people living in my body, and I can't think of any way to get rid of them!"

"Why do you have to get rid of them?"

"?!?"

"Are they bothering you anyway? You look at them as if they're a curse, but what I see is a blessing! From what I know, I think you should be grateful. This way, you'll never be alone! Besides, each one of the people living in you will help you in the future with your problems. Kaka already did so when the field-trip bus was facing problems."

"How did you know about that?"

"And Ly, I know he's afraid of his own shadow, but sometimes the smartest thing to do is to run away from a fight. If anything, I'd say Ly values lives!"

"I guess that's true."

"And Mafee, I know he's a bit eccentric, but perhaps one day, he might make a potion that could be of good use to you, or any of us for that matter!"

"I never thought about it that way."

"And Schij, I know he's a snob, but he's also new to the group. Give him time and he'll be one of your best friends. Trust me, honey, mom knows best!"

Bo decided to take his mom's words and give them a chance; he decided not to let his condition get to him or he might be awarded with another fifth member or something far more worse! He decided to live life like it should be, accepting what he has and doing his best without regret. Bo knew that this was how his life was going to be like from now on, sharing his house with Bobbi, Lily, Kari, Moon, and Shore, just like he knew that he was going to share his body with Ly, Kaka, Mafee, and Schij. Of course, this didn't mean that Bo wasn't going to stay away from water anymore, or block his ears when he passes next to an engine, or avoid toads or get taunted in a match by his adversary. Bo still wanted to be on control, because from this point and onwards, this is his family, and this is his life.

THE END

"Bo, I lost my book, have you seen it? If not, can you come and look for it with me?"

"Bo, my head hurts! Can you come and kiss it so it would be better again!"

"Lily! I asked him first! He's gonna help me find my book!"

"No! He's going to kiss my head, then we'll search for your stupid book together to burn it!"

"Bo! Your bride-to-be and your girlfriend are bickering again!"

"Kari's not his girlfriend! She's too ugly and stupid to have a boyfriend!"

"You know, Lily, you really shouldn't talk about stupidity!"

5 minutes later ..

"Bo! Lily broke my arm and Bella told me to tell you to take me to the hospital!"

"Bo, your frog keeps looking at me in a strange way .. please remove it before I slice it into pieces."

"Bo, your new wife is threatening to kill your old wife .. do something!"

"Bo, how come you're the only male in this house and your living in the garage?"

"Bo dear! Bobbi and I are going out shopping, we'll be back for dinner, so can you make it?"

"Bo! I'm going out with my auntie, so if you want anything ... get it yourself! Ha ha ha!"

"Bobbi! That's not nice. Bo, make fish for dinner, okay, love you dear, bye!"

"Bo! The stupid girls are fighting all the time! As your wife I demand you get me a new house!"

"Ribbit!"

Fin.

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Bella Bombutachakua (29)
بدرية بومبتاشاكوا (٢٩)
Bobbi Bombutachakua (14)
بلقيس بومبتاشاكوا (١٤)
Lenny "Ly" Lyeochidamazi (14)
لوئي "لي" ليكوشيدمازي (١٤)
Lilly Lyeochidamazi (14)
لطيفه ليكوشيدمازي (١٤)
Kent "Kaka" Kakashemashee (35)
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Kazi Kakashemashee (14)
كالا كاكاشيماشيبي (١٤)
Mazi "Matee" Mafeeitchwiii (43)
ماهر "مافي" مافيعشويبي (٤٣)
Moon Mafeeitchwiii (41)
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