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### APARTMENT SCENE

Living room. From the kitchen heard frying. Toilet noise. Alex in underpants entering into kitchen. Pregnant Catherine puts a plate on the table.

CATHERINE

Alex, fifteen minutes!

ALEX

I know, honey.

CATHERINE

What you know?! That you again will be take a taxi?

ALEX

Don't worry, I'll be in time.

CATHERINE

Oh, I'm don't worry, but all week I heard your nagging.

ALEX

Again... Come on, just not about nagging, okay?

CATHERINE

(laughs)

If you want continue talk about

wallpaper...

ALEX

Yeah, of course!

(laughs and sit down)

So, what do you think, he'll give me these ten days?

CATHERINE

I don't know, but do this, because if you will don't, I'll loose my mind.

ALEX

Now, we have many tasks and I don't sure...

CATHERINE

Listen, you dreaming about this festival few years. Yesterday you told me that maybe after some time, you don't want to go to any festival at all, I'm hope on this. And generally, you know, recently I'm not often be kind.

(laughs)

ALEX

(smiling)

Oh, I know that... no, I feeling that!

(pause)

But it is ten days, and you will be alone...

CATHERINE

And?

(pause)

You sitting in the office all day, but, how you see, I'm okay.

ALEX

Yeah, tell me - how many times on day you ring me?

CATHERINE

Not as often as I want.

(laughs)

If I'm not nervous, this mean a lot. I really want that, I see how you thinking about it and I understand what it mean for you!

ALEX

I love you...

CATHERINE

Promise me, that you will ask your strange boss about these vacation days, okay?

ALEX

I promise.

(pause)

And you promise me that you finally will choose wallpaper?

(laughs)

CATHERINE

Oh no, you unbearable!

(laughs)

Let's go, ten minutes!

ALEX

(smiling)

But you did not promise?

CATHERINE

(smiling)

Maybe I'll call to you.

MORNING FRAME

Alex going outside with multi-storey building. Weather not good - but not rain. At entrance Alex meet woman seventy-eighty old - Mrs. Emma.

ALEX

Good morning, Mrs. Em! How is your health?

Mrs. EMMA

Good morning, Alex, thanks, I'm

good! Are you late again?

ALEX

Maybe little.

(smiling)

Mrs. EMMA

And you didn't shave again? Oh, Alex...

ALEX

Mrs. Em, I have told you many times - this is normal, I like my beard!

Mrs. EMMA

How you can like this chaos on your face?

ALEX

Oh no...

(quietly told himself)

What chaos? What are you talking about? I talk you again - I like this, and for me it is more important!

Mrs. EMMA

You simply don't understand, that beard it is not decent...

ALEX

(laughs)

What?! Where is that written?

Mrs. EMMA

You must know that! Look at the other men - they have no beard!

ALEX

Other men are those with whom you play dominoes on Saturdays?

Mrs. EMMA

Of course! You must take an example from them, Alex...

ALEX

I have my own opinion and that's it. Thanks for this nice morning conversation Mrs. Em

(ironic smile)

I'll run!

Mrs. Emma with a calm face goes on with a small dog. Alex runs to the bus station.

BUS STATION FRAME

Alex runs with a bag over his shoulder. The bus has not left yet. Alex ran into the bus and stood at the door. Next to him is a girl of seven-eight years old with a backpack.

ALEX

Hey, you may please take off your backpack?

GIRL

Don't you like my backpack?

ALEX

Oh, your backpack very cool, but my left leg doesn't fit on the bus

(smiling)

GIRL

But I like when backpack on my back... Isn't it for that?

(sad face)

ALEX

Yes... but your backpack not small and will be right if you take off it!

GIRL

I don't want!

(pause)

And... why you wet?

ALEX

I don't wet, I simply ran.

GIRL

Why did you run? Are you in a hurry to school too?

ALEX

No.

(smiling)

I hurry on my work.

GIRL

Why are you rushing to work? My dad says work is a very sad thing.

ALEX

(laughs)

You rushing to school too!

GIRL

I do this because my mom said so ... But you are already an adult ...

ALEX

Oh yes ... I'm an adult. You know, all adults rush to work, you see - there are so many people that my leg can barely fit on the bus!

GIRL

Probably you will get after work something very cool!

ALEX

After work?

GIRL

Yes. After graduation, my parents will buy me a pony!

ALEX

(laughs)

It's really cool! And I... I don't know what I will get... I don't know...

GIRL

Oh, it is sad... You hurry but you don't know why...

ALEX

Maybe yes... it sad and not clear...

The girl got off the bus with ten more people. The bus went on.

FRAME WITH FAMILIAR

Alex sat down on free place near his familiar - man fifty plus year.

Mr. BONO

Alex! Hi! Are you running again?

(laughs)

ALEX

Good morning, Mr. Bono! Oh yeah,

(laughs)

again. Still these people ... I almost never get inside...

Mr. BONO

Ten years ago, stairs were my personal VIP place.

(laughs)

And then moved on - and now the place near the window has warmed up.

ALEX

I would also move somewhere further ...

Mr. BONO

I had stay on stairs of bus for twenty years ... not all at once, not all at once.

(looking out the window)

ALEX

The bus stopped at a traffic light. At the corner of the streets can see the construction - brick walls, appropriate entourage and more.

Mr. BONO

(Turns to Alex)

Oh, look, there was probably a paycheck on construction yesterday.

(smiling)

ALEX

(laughs)

Yeah? Why do you think so?

Mr. BONO

They have been building here for the third month. And only once a month do they build so many rows of bricks in one day.

ALEX

Do you count the rows every morning?

Mr. BONO

You know ... not that I'm counting ... it's just that I can see how much the walls have grown.

ALEX

I understand.

(smiles)

Still, not one decade here.

Mr. BONO

That's right.

(laughs)

When you the time is in one place, you start to notice any small changes. That a woman in a new jacket today ...

ALEX

It is striking.

(smiling)

Mr. BONO

Oh yeah, but not me  $\dots$  Most of them

(with a glance at the bus passengers)

are here - with striking abilities.

ALEX

Well, that's great! You know many people. You have someone to talk to.

(smiles)

Mr. BONO

This is, of course, good ... But most of all, I like that calmness and balance. You will feel it through the years.

ALEX

Calm for what?

Mr. BONO

Peace of mind that you know where you are going, who you are going with ... You know everything completely. And most importantly, calm that you are like everyone else.

ALEX

Yeah, that's great, probably...

Mr. BONO

Of course, this is great ...

ALEX

Mr. Bono, how's your car? Did you repaint it?

Mr. BONO

My car?

(laughs)

As my wife says, not everything that has four wheels can be called a car.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

But the fact remains. She still not red?

Mr. BONO

No, not yet ... As I told you before, something is constantly disturbing.

ALEX

But do not say that dreams to drive a bright red car, at a speed of 50 miles per hour with a cigarette in his teeth is gone!

(smiles)

Mr. BONO

(laughs)

Oh, Alex, this picture to dream me of every week at least!

ALEX

And?

Mr. BONO

You know, it's just my little dream ...

ALEX

Oddly enough, but really - I know ...

Mr. BONO

(looked back at Alex and turned away again)

I was ten when my dad's friend

bought a Cadillac Coupe DeVille... It was incredible! While my dad and his friend Ederson sipped several pairs of beer bottles, I sitting in the car and imagined as I racing through the endless highway.

ALEX

Well, you can implement this very soon, you have to repaint and find the highway.

(smiling)

Mr. BONO

I understand, but it was so long ago ... I don't know, I'm probably just afraid that the real feelings will no longer be the same.

(smiles easily, turning to Alex)

ALEX

No no! Don't start! I've been dreaming about a photo with your car for a long time.

(laughs)

With your red car!

Mr. BONO

(laughs)

Well, once a photo is needed, that's another matter!

Alex and Mr. Bono continue to sit without talking. Near Alex, in the aisle between the seats, three schoolboy are talking loudly.

SCHOOLBOY 1

And what did she say to you?

SCHOOLBOY 2

She didn't say anything ... but I don't care.

SCHOOLBOY 1

Aw, you just don't have to lie.

(laughs)

You said a month ago that this the most important thing for you ...

SCHOOLBOY 2

I said, I remember. But I'm

glad I don't think so now...

#### SCHOOLBOY 1

And what do you think? What has changed? I just can't understand ...

### SCHOOLBOY 2

Nothing has changed, it's important to me. But ... just think to yourself, I want to do what I want. To go to college, to which I want ...

#### SCHOOLBOY 3

And to which they want your parents.

(smiling)

## SCHOOLBOY 2

(smiling)

Maybe so. You know, everything will be ahead, and now need do what want ... all these love things ... they are wonderful, but everything should be adequate.

## SCHOOLBOY 3

You are right, I think so too...

# SCHOOLBOY 1

(laughs)

Yeah, he thinks so ... now I understand everything ...

## SCHOOLBOY 2

(smiling)

Say no more! By the way, are you going to training today?

### SCHOOLBOY 1

Yes, I think I'll go. Moreover, the competitions is soon. The coach told me that if I did not come again I will not participate in them.

#### SCHOOLBOY 2

Well, that's right ... doing three years and never taking part in competitions ... (laughs)

SCHOOLBOY 1

Shut up! I had important reasons ...

SCHOOLBOY 2

Only now are these reasons, (shows parentheses by hand) not so important when it comes to college ...

(smiling)

SCHOOLBOY 1

Training can start now if you don't stop!

SCHOOLBOY 2

(laughs)

Okay, okay ... What about you? Will you be in training?

SCHOOLBOY 3

I don't know ... haven't been there for over a month ...

SCHOOLBOY 2

So what? Just have fun.

SCHOOLBOY 3

I am fed ... and I probably don't want to go there.

SCHOOLBOY 1

Do not invent! So, say you want to injure your elbows again in a skate park.

(laughs)

SCHOOLBOY 3

Come on! You again?!

SCHOOLBOY 1

No, no ... but rollers ... are you serious? How old are you?

(laughs)

Alex turns and looks at the Schoolboy 3

SCHOOLBOY 2

(smiles)

Well, that's enough! He wants, let there be rollers.

SCHOOLBOY 3

Firstly, I don't see anything strange ... and secondly ...

and when else? In the fifth grade, I wanted to rollers, but no ... your training, let them damn ...

SCHOOLBOY 2

Well, our stop! Get moving!

Schoolboys are starting to get off the bus. Mr. Bono is also rising, its stopping too.

Mr. BONO

Alex, I'll go out.

ALEX

Oh, yes, please!

Alex rises and skip ahead Mr. Bono

Mr. BONO

Thank you, Alex, good luck at work!

ALEX

Thank mutually! Don't forget about the paint!

(laughs)

Mr. BONO

(laughs)

Okay, goodbye...

Mr. Bono gets off the bus. New passengers are coming. Alex moves to the window. Alex getting a phone and calling his friend.

ALEX

Hi, are you still at home?

NED

Hi dude! No, I work at home today...

ALEX

Oh, that's great! You're a lucky guy.

(laughs)

NED

(laughs)

Maybe a little. And how are you? Still on the road?

ALEX

Yes... I still have 40 minutes

to go...

NED

Listen, you could open your mini-office right on the bus.

(laughs)

Spending so many time on trips is just a crime!

ALEX

(laughs)

I understand ... but I have nothing to do with it. The job is good, soon enough money will be needed ...

NED

I know ... but to rent an apartment somewhere closer?

ALEX

Ned, what are you talking about? There prices are twice as high!

NED

Yes ... there are no options.

ALEX

But you know, on the other hand ... it seems right. In this area is quieter, many of my colleagues living there.

NED

These are colleagues who already have a minivan for every family member and dog have a mini-cooper!

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

Almost so!

NED

Over time, it will become clearer where better ... How does Catherine feel?

ALEX

Fortunately, I think she is well.

NED

I'm glad for her!

ALEX

Today, by the way, talked about the trip again.

(laughs)

NED

(laughs)

I think, she wants you to go more, than you!

ALEX

(laughs)

That's true! She almost says so!

NED

So what did you decide?

ALEX

I don't know ... I will probably take an extra weekend today...

NED

Well, cool! What to think, go, hang out there ... These ... how are they there ... yours ... will play at least? Did you find out?

ALEX

Yes, they will ... have already been confirmed. New program... But...

NED

What is the "but"? I don't understand... The main thing is that she doesn't mind ... this is your dream ... well what "but"?

ALEX

Yes, that's right ... but I think it will all look stupid...

NED

I don't know ... as for me, it's very simple. It was also simple a few years ago ...

ALEX

I know ... it was simple a few years ago ...

NED

Decide for yourself. One tip - better not to listen to tips.

(laughs)

ALEX

Yeah, I think so too, thanks... Okay, I'm not going to delay you, because you're already working ...

NED

Well, good luck! Take it easy and everything will be fine! Bye!

ALEX

Okay, bye ...

Alex finished talking. He pulls out the vacuum headphones from his bag, inserts them and switches on the music - an album of a certain indie rock band.

TAXI SCENE

Noonday. Music from the previous scene continues to play. Alex with a backpack leaves his house. Near the house - there is a taxi. Alex opens the back door and gets in the car.

ALEX

Hello!

TAXI DRIVER

Good afternoon! Don't have any more luggage?

ALEX

No, no! We can go.

The taxi is not moving fast. The driver starts a dialogue with Alex.

TAXI DRIVER

I'm sorry, you're not going to work, are you? Because lunch has already begun ...

ALEX

Yes.

(smiling)

I'm not going to work, you're right.

TAXI DRIVER

Thinking you are traveling.

(smiling)

ALEX

(smiling)

Almost ...

TAXI DRIVER

Almost?

ALEX

Yes, almost.

(laughs)

I'm going to the festival ...

TAXI DRIVER

Oh, cool! On a weekday ... Lucky!

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

Yep!

TAXI DRIVER

What kind of music will there be?

ALEX

Mostly indie ... Maybe a little folk, country ...

TAXI DRIVER

Oh, great! Sometimes, in the evenings, when there is not enough power, I turn on similar music ...

ALEX

Yes, I understand!

TAXI DRIVER

As an energy engineer for me. (laughs)

ALEX

Yes ... this music is relevant and when there is no power, and when there is a lot of energy that it's hard to breathe ...

For a while they go in silence. Alex looks at homes, people.

TAXI DRIVER

I also sometimes think about festivals ...

ALEX

Yes?

TAXI DRIVER

Well maybe a little not of this format ... not for the youth ...

ALEX

And such happen? I think they are all the same ...

TAXI DRIVER

(laughs)

There are such! It's too early to be interested

ALEX

(laughs)

Maybe!

TAXI DRIVER

I just want to retire, near a fire with a guitar ... and live music playing in the background ... what could be better?

ALEX

Probably just a delicious campfire dinner!

(laughs)

TAXI DRIVER

(laughs)

Well, that's fantastic!

ALEX

You say so well ... probably turn the car around, I'll wait for the pension.

(laughs)

TAXI DRIVER

(laughs)

Good! If I'll live, I'll come for you!

ALEX

What are you saying?! I'm not that young anymore. I think you will hold out!

(laughs)

The car continues to move. Only laughter is heard.

SCENE FROM CHILDHOOD

Five people are sitting at the table - Alex's parents, Alex himself, and his cousins. Alex is ten years old. Sisters of the age of twenty or twenty-three.

SISTER 1

Uncle, that was just incredible!

SISTER 2

How many people in one place I just haven't seen ...

SISTER 1

Oh yeah...

SISTER 2

But not even the number of people fascinating... it was amazing how everyone in unison jumped, screaming ... this noise ...

Alex sits with his mouth open and just listens.

ALEX'S MOTHER

Oh girls ... you must have jumped for a lifetime.

(smiling)

SISTER 1

Aunty, that was really cool ...

ALEX'S FATHER

And what did your father say? Is he very glad you haven't been home all week?

(laughs)

ALEX'S MOTHER

And what a difference! They are already adults, look at them!

ALEX'S FATHER

(laughs)

Adults say ... I will be glad to look and listen to you when he is twenty ...

(looks at Alex and smiling)

Everyone laughed. Alex also smiled, not understanding what about they.

SISTER 2

Father was glad. Said it is useful sometimes to have a rest!

ALEX'S FATHER

(smiling)

He always knew how to be calm.

ALEX'S MOTHER

What else was interesting there?

SISTER 1

Everything was very bright ...

SISTER 2

All in completely different clothes, unusual costumes ...

SISTER 1

As if it was a children's holiday, and everyone is having fun ...

ALEX'S FATHER

You're still kids ... That's why you want to jump ... (smiling)

SISTER 1

Maybe.

(smiling)

We have already booked tickets to another festival!

(laughs)

SISTER 2

(laughs)

Oh yeah! There in general, in a deserted place will pass ... it will be very cool!

ALEX'S FATHER

The place became deserted, definitely, after the last year

festival!

Everyone laughed. Alex smiled too, looking thoughtful.

A SCENE WITH A GATHERING PLACE

Bus stop. Small shop. Behind the stop is a bench and behind the bench is a park. Music similar to the one played from the beginning continues to be played on the background. The taxi stops at a stop. Alex gets out of the taxi and heads to the bench. Some people are already present at the Bench.

ALEX

Hi everybody!

Some people say "Hi". Some just nod. One of the guys starts a conversation with Alex.

GUIDE

If I right understand, you go for the festival, I am your guide!

ALEX

Oh yeah! Very nice to meet you! I'm Alex.

GUIDE

Nice to meet you too, Alex. Wait a while longer. You can get some snacks, it's in that bag.

(Show on a small bag, which stands near the bench)

ALEX

I know, I came a little earlier. And thanks for the suggestion!

GUIDE

I think you are going for the first time ... I just don't remember you from the past...

ALEX

Yes, for the first time! (smiling)

GUIDE

Do you go alone or with your friends?

ALEX

Yes, with friends. Will come later ...

GUIDE

Mostly, extraordinary people travel with us ... they don't come as early as you.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

Oh yes, I know those!

GUIDE

Guitars, drums ... I think you will be fun for the first time to ride such a company.

(smiling)

ALEX

(laughs)

By the way, how much do we have to go to? Far?

GUIDE

It depends on the drivers ... when how. Almost two days the last year ...

ALEX

Oh  $\dots$  and it will really be fun.

(smiling)

I was told that we will spend the night in hotels?

GUIDE

Mostly so ... But there is no talk of rest there ... no one cancels the drums.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

I see that you fell in love with the drums ...

GUIDE

Oh yes ...

(smiling sarcastically)

A couple of years ago, it was cool when we went to one festival ... spent the night several times right on the

coast ...

ALEX

Wow, that was probably worth it ... even the drums could be tolerated.

GUIDE

One of the biggest joys then was that there were no drums, (laughs)

just a campfire, the sound of surf and singing all night ...

ALEX

Yeah...

Alex sat at the bench. Everyone just went quiet. The music start to play on the background, like on the beginning, indie.

Alex sits near a bench, eyes closed. Two girls go to the bench. One carries a bag. Girl twins - Sonya and Zoey.

SONYA

Alex! Wake up soon to the road! (laughs)

ZOEY

We go a lot  $\dots$  in the bus you will sleep.

(smiling)

ALEX

Oh, glad to see you! And I don't sleep, Zoey.

(laughs)

I'm sitting and waiting ...

ZOEY

Probably from yesterday evening.

(laughs)

The girls sit down next to Alex. The bag is put behind.

SONYA

He got used to from times kindergarten... always come much sooner ...

ALEX

Oh, Sonya, I don't remember such ... since then, only some

frames ...

ZOEY

Oh yeah, I remember too ...

ALEX

I only remember that in the early grades, my good friend this a security guard ... in the morning and after class, I sat with him for a long time ... all because of my parents' work ...

SONYA

Yeah ...

(short pause)

Well, how are you? How foreboding?

ALEX

I think fine ... The backpack was collected the day before yesterday.

(laughs)

SONYA

(laughs)

Not surprised! How much to expect ...

ALEX

(smiling)

For a week I thought what to take there, so as not to carry a heavy backpack, but to have everything need ...

ZOEY

But what difference ... We took a bottle of water and most importantly - costumes!

SONYA

But about water, I personally doubt it.

(laughs)

ZOEY

(laughs)

Yep ... By the way, what did you take for the costume?

ALEX

(smiling)

Usual ... nothing special.

SONYA

Usual?! What about the wings of an eagle?

ZOEY

(laughs)

Yeah ... it's all feathers, leather ...

ALEX

(laughs)

Such ideas were ...

ZOEY

But something went wrong ... (smiling)

ALEX

Catherine told me to do what I wanted from the beginning ... but to spend how much time on this costume ... the main thing is that I go there.

Scene where Alex and Catherine are sitting in a cafe. On the Alex's bag is a cylinder-type hat.

CATHERINE

Have you finally decided?

ALEX

Yes, honey...

CATHERINE

I liked that leather jacket ... it fits you ...

(smiling)

ALEX

CATHERINE

(laughs)

There's something about this ... But I think even in such a jacket, you would look like a junior student there ...

ALEX

Oh yeah ... Looking at those photos from the last festival, people preferred the minimum of clothes.

(smiling)

CATHERINE

Don't even think about it! (laughs)

ALEX

Now everything is clear ... she likes the jacket ... maybe a better coat?

(laughs)

CATHERINE

(laughs)

Caught me!

(short pause)

But a week ago, while you were at work, you sending me photos of costumes with feathers ... you wanted so ...

ALEX

Costumes are really unusual ... But to make them, how much time do have to spend and why? I don't know ...

#### CATHERINE

Well, you decided and good ... At least I bought you the cylinder! I think it will be cool ... I would say atmospheric.

(smiling)

ALEX

(laughs and puts on his cylinder)
Yes, I like it too! It is good
that do not need to sew
anything to it, recycle
something ...

CATHERINE

Maybe I'll come up with something.

(smiling)

There's still time!

ALEX

But those wide pants ... I don't even know ...

CATHERINE

No no! They are needed ... if already without them, without a vest and cylinder, then ...

better then go in a suit. (laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

And to work in a cylinder!

(short pause)

Or rather - make a costume out of feathers and into the office ...

CATHERINE

(smiling)

In a word, I think you'll look
good ...

ALEX

Yeah ... future dad in the cylinder, and it's not clear where ...

(smiling)

SCENE AT THE GATHERING PLACE

Alex carries three cups of coffee. Two gives to the twins. And starting to talk

ALEX

So, two more of your friends are coming? Have you known them for a long time?

SONYA

It's more our contacts, not
friends ...

ZOEY

Yes  $\dots$  more than once crossed with them. Normal characters.

(smiling)

ALEX

Characters?

(laughs)

ZOEY

(laughs)

Yes ... but what else to call them ... they always are...

ALEX

The more people, the better I think ...

SONYA

You're at work, that's where a lot of people ... I don't think you're bored there.

ALEX

There are many people, but ... everyone goes there because they need to, not because they want it. Well mostly everything is so ...

SONYA

So are you, because you need to?

ALEX

I think so ... although I really understand that all this is really necessary, without it in any way ...

ZOEY

Remember how you are still in school liked to play in performances?

ALEX

Yes, it was ... What do you want to say?

SONYA

That we said to you at the end of school - try yourself in this ... but you didn't dare.

ALEX

Everyone laughs. A short pause - as if everyone thinking.

ALEX

Although, when many people and everyone is happy for each other ... it's always great ... Remember as was in childhood? Always invented something ...

ZOEY

Yes, we invented a lot ...

SONYA

As far as I remember, it was Alex who was the idea generator.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

Maybe so, but someone has been very supportive of them, and this has repeatedly ... caused critical consequences.

ZOEY

Critical consequences?! Really? (laughs)

ALEX

Yep! To me still a pity those books ...

(smiling)

Alex's childhood scene (about the same age as the sisters' story about the festival)

Morning. Alex's mother in the kitchen with Alex. He sits at the table. She prepares the pancakes that Alex eats.

ALEX'S MOTHER

Did you enjoy spending last weekend with your grandmother?

ALEX

I don't know...

ALEX'S MOTHER

Why?! She cooked your favorite cupcakes!

ALEX

But she didn't let me eat more than two cupcakes!

ALEX'S MOTHER

(laughs)

You can't eat much, I told you

ALEX

But why did she make me eat a whole bowl of soup?!

ALEX'S MOTHER

(laughs)

She wants you to be healthy,

she loves you, Alex ...

ALEX

Don't think! Grandma said I've been sitting in the toilet for a long time ... and that I should read a book about a princess ...

(surprised and embarrassed face)

ALEX'S MOTHER

(laughs)

Alex ... She must have been joking ... But I'll tell her, especially about the princess.

(laughs)

ALEX

And what will she come again today?!

ALEX'S MOTHER

Probably yes, I have to work again today till noon ...

ALEX

I'll be alone! I'm already quite an adult! Please, Mom!

ALEX'S MOTHER

Well I don't know ... if only you going to sit and do your paper figures, okay?

ALEX

Oh yeah! Thanks!

ALEX'S MOTHER

Agreed!

Pause. Alex eats a pancake, drinks tea.

ALEX

Mom, do sculptors really show on TV?

ALEX'S MOTHER

Yes, but as I told you - only outstanding! Which made something really beautiful and great ...

ALEX

Oh, that's cool!

ALEX'S MOTHER

Train on your paper and you will also be shown on television.

(smiling)

Alex thought. And his mother continued to cook pancakes.

The scene seems to take place some time later on the same day. Alex's mother comes from work, walks into the room. In front of she sees — in the middle of the room — a rather large paper figure, which slightly resembles the silhouette of a man. This figure is made from pages of books. The covers of these books are scattered around. Alex with a can of glue sticks something to the head of the figure. And when his mother walks into the room, Alex turns and talks.

ALEX

Mom! I made a great figure! I will be shown on TV!

On the face of the mother - and sadness for books, and a smile.

The scene where Alex and the twins continue to sit at the bench, waiting for the bus. They are approached by a guy. The twins do not wait until he approaches, they begin to address him.

ZVMOP

Anthony! Finally!

ZOEY

With you it is futile to negotiate about something.

(laughs)

SONYA

Oh yeah! He will still do as he wants.

(smiling)

ANTHONY

Hi! Just don't start!

(laughs)

I'm really in a hurry!

Anthony approaches and shakes hands with Alex. Everyone also nods or shouts hello.

ZOEY

He was in a hurry ... exactly what you can do - it lying.

(laughs)

ANTHONY

(laughs)

I sometimes tell the truth ... And sometimes I'm really in a hurry...

ZOEY

Probably this is very rare ... (smiling)

ANTHONY

(smiling)

I am generally very pragmatic. I don't like to stand out ...

SONYA

It's always nice to stand out with something good ...

ANTHONY

I don't know ... I think it's better to stand out when it benefits you.

SONYA

Oh no! It's no longer pragmatic, it's no longer normal somehow ...

(laughs)

ANTHONY

But such is the reality ... Of course, when someone is doing something right - it's cool ... but I feel calm about it, I always see in it...

(laughs)

for some reason, I am always convinced that whoever has done something right has done it for his own benefit...

ZOEY

I don't know how to live with such thoughts at all ...

(laughs)

SONYA

Anthony copes.

(laughs)

ANTHONY

It's just my attitude, my
vision ... I don't forbid

anyone to think and do things differently.

(smiling)

ZOEY

For example, Alex,

(looking at Alex)

has been sitting here for a long time, came early ... because he thinks about others.

(smiling)

ALEX

Well, I'm not the first to come

(smiling)

SONYA

Oh that's bad ... so you're on your way to Anthony.

(laughs)

ANTHONY

(laughs)

Stop it! I didn't even come last!

SONYA

Okay, okay ... but whatever, you always make to think.

(smiling)

Alex nods. Pensive. Looks at cars moving on the road in front of them.

A scene from the past. Alex walks down the sidewalk. He is preceded by a lad, about twenty-five years old. Near the wall of the high-rise building sits an old woman asking for alms (in front of her is a shabby paper cup).

OLD WOMAN

A young man!

(turns to the guy in front of

Alex)

Help, please! Help! Help
please...

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX Have your children help you!

OLD WOMAN

Help, please... Help...

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX I have no extra money!

(harshly says, already passed the old woman without turning)

Alex throws some coins, that were in his pocket, in a old woman's cup. He doesn't even look at the woman. And he steps on.

OLD WOMAN

God save you! Thanks! God save you!

Alex goes on, and the words of gratitude of the woman slowly subside

The guy in front of Alex goes to fast food. Alex also comes after him. There is a big queue in the room, many people. Alex is right behind the guy.

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX
Girls! Are you last in line?
(Says to two girls before him)

GIRL 1 IN LINE

Yes! She's with me! (points his head at another girl)

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX Then I'm after you both! (laughs)

GIRL 2 IN LINE (laughs)

Okay! By the way, there are yummy cheesecakes.

(smiling)

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX Indeed?! Great, I was thinking what to order.

(smiling)

Thank you!

GIRL 1 IN LINE
Will you be taking cookies?
(turns to another girl)

GIRL 2 IN LINE

I don't know ... maybe a
croissants?

GIRL 1 IN LINE
Only with chocolate ... oh,
yummy, yummy ...

At this time, the turn comes the girls. One of them orders a cheesecakes and two a chocolate

croissants. But when the seller says price, it becomes clear that the girls are not enough money.

GIRL 2 IN LINE

Then let's get one croissant, can't find more money ...

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX Oh no! Don't listen to her!

(smiling)

Give them not one but four croissants!

GIRL 2 IN LINE

You what? No need!

GIRL 1 IN LINE

But why?! That's okay...

GUY IN FRONT OF ALEX
It's just a gift for what cheesecakes advised ... I hope they're worth it.

(laughs)

GIRL 1 IN LINE

(laughs)

Oh yeah! Thank you!

Alex stands behind the guy, considering baking behind the glass. He only listens and smiles slightly.

Alex, twins, Anthony continues to sit at the bench. There are several people on the bench, some of them playing guitar. The bus passes to the stop. The bus leaves the girl - another traveler for the festival - Amelie.

SONYA

Amelie!

AMELIE

Hi! Hello everybody!

Everyone else nods or shouts hello.

SONYA

How was your trip, everything is good?

ZOEY

Better tell me how this time with fellow travelers.

(laughs)

AMELIE

(laughs)

We drove for about two hours, then I was waiting the bus in the city ... about twenty minutes ...

ALEX

Do you live somewhere far away?

AMELIE

(smiles)

In general, I don't have one place of residence ... I live there, then there ...

ALEX

(smiles)

Oh, that's great!

AMELIE

(laughs)

Yeah ... probably ...

SONYA

In short - she happens
everywhere!

(laughs)

ZOEY

(laughs)

You're not hiding from her!

AMELIE

Ameli puts a packet from which some take oranges, bananas and more.

AMELIE

In fact, I bought them for the trip.

(laughs)

But nothing...

ZOEY

(laughs and cleans the orange)
There are unpredictable days ahead! Need vitamins and immediately!

AMELIE

(laughs)

Oh yeah...

(smiling)

Thanks for the fruit ... really, everyone had to take something from food ...

AMELIE

You're welcome!

(smiling)

No one did not negotiate ... I just always love to take something ...

SONYA

Your habit is not bad! (laughs)

AMELIE

Maybe it not habit ... I just like when doing something nice to people to make them feel more comfortable.

(smiling)

ANTHONY

As for comfort ... controversial opinion! Now I am not comfortable that someone will eat more fruits than I do! I'm already worried!

(laughs)

Everyone laughs. In the background, somebody playing on guitar - similar songs to those played from the beginning - a certain indie band.

A scene from the past. Alex sits at the office desk. He is at work. Together with him in the office four more colleagues. But one colleague is absent from the workplace.

ALEX

I'm interested, which will be today?

COLLEAGUE 1 MAN

I don't know ... it's hard to guess ... always different...

COLLEAGUE 2 MAN

No! Why is it always? Every three weeks there are repetitions!

Yes, yes ... repetitions do happen ... But...

COLLEAGUE 1 MAN

But not this week!

ALEX

Yes, that's what I wanted to say ...

COLLEAGUE 2 MAN

I don't know ... I have repeatedly noticed that they may not be of good quality ...

COLLEAGUE 3 WOMAN
Similarly! Take last Friday,
for example! Remember?

ALEX

Oh no! What past Friday? ... what you don't like doesn't mean bad quality.

(laughs)

COLLEAGUE 3 WOMAN
Alex, stop ... there were unusually many of them ...

ALEX

And?!

ALEX

I don't know ... I mean it stupid.

(smiling)

How are you today, again on the top floor?

(smiling)

COLLEAGUE 3 WOMAN Why again?! He has not been there for several days  $\dots$ 

COLLEAGUE 2 MAN

(laughs)

That's true! But yes, a good idea! I'll go there today ... are you with me?

COLLEAGUE 3 WOMAN And bring me something! (smiling)

COLLEAGUE 2 MAN

Aha, now bring ... and you keep saying - not shame us, not shame ... okay...

The door opens, a fourth colleague, a woman, comes into the office.

COLLEAGUE 4 WOMAN

You are out of shape I see! Accountants already ran down the hall!

(laughs)

ALEX

Seriously? Already brought?!

COLLEAGUE 4 WOMAN

I think so ... they always know first, they can see in the window ...

(smiling)

COLLEAGUE 1 MAN

Then let's go!

ALEX

Yes, now ... one second...

COLLEAGUE 1 MAN

Bring you some coffee? Or only if there is milk?

(smiling and addresses a colleague 3)

COLLEAGUE 3 WOMAN

Of course! And milk more ... free milk there is not much!

(laughs)

Well, cookies, of course, please ... but only if so as last Friday, then no need.

COLLEAGUE 1 MAN

(laughs)

Okay, got it!

ALEX

Let's go! I think about them in the morning, and if we do not have time ...

(laughs)

Alex and colleague 1 hurrying out of the office. They both took the cups. Colleague 1 took the cup of Colleague 3 too.

Again the scene near the bus stop. The twins dance to the quiet indie music played by some guy on a guitar.

SONYA

Anthony, are you without a costume this time too?

(speaks to Anthony while continuing to dance slowly)

ANTHONY

Why is this again? (smiling)

SONYA

Well last time ... so it wasn't a costume ...

ANTHONY

It was a costume ... just not very ordinary.

(smiling)

ALEX

Not very ordinary?

(smiling)

And at festivals there are usual costumes?

ANTHONY

Oh, you're right!

(smiling)

SONYA

Well, just a shirt, tight pants, winter boots ... and a cowboy hat ...

ANTHONY

Well, almost like that ... there's something about it ...

ALEX

I'll have something like this time ...

(smiling)

ANTHONY

(smiling)

Seriously?!

But I don't have a cowboy hat, I have a hat in the form of a cylinder.

(laughs)

ANTHONY

(laughs)

I think it will look cool!

SONYA

I don't know how now ... but when last time everyone was in bright and brilliant ... then your outfit to put it mildly...

ANTHONY

And I like it! I generally like to dress different things at the same time ...

ALEX

I also wanted a leather suit
... feathers ...

(laughs)

ANTHONY

Oh yeah! That would look extraordinary!

ALEX

Yes ... I wanted to ... but then somehow ... I don't care.

ANTHONY

I always didn't care ... who in what costumes goes ...

SONYA

But make fun of my elegant costume with butterfly wings ... you're always ready.

(laughs)

ANTHONY

Well, yes ... I can make a little laugh ... I'm generally unpredictable.

(smiling)

ZOEY

Tell it to Ahava

(smiling)

or Tony? Nobody laughed at their costumes ... except you...

(smiling)

ANTHONY

Again ... maybe a little ... (smiling)

ALEX

Ahava and Tony?

SONYA

They will also go with us, but they will join us on the road...

Playing the guitar continues. The twins, Amelie continue to dance slowly. Alex, Anthony are sitting and eating some fruits.

Next scene. A bus arrives at the stop. Everyone starts to gather.

GUIDE

Girls and guys! In twenty minutes - we will be leaving! So hurry up and don't delay getting on the bus! Please!

ANTHONY

I can take some booze to the bus?!

GUIDE

Of course not! But ... I understand that, you're just asking for politeness, aren't you?

(smiling)

ANTHONY

(laughs)

Friends! We have a very experienced and good guide!

Everyone laughs and gradually gets on the bus, gets down on the seats.

ALEX

Where are you going to sit? (turns to twins)

SONYA

I don't know ... but I'm by the window.

(laughs)

Of course! You always want by the window ...

SONYA

Well, I have told you repeatedly ... that a bus window is not just a window ...

ALEX

I always remember that ... (smiling)

ZOEY

The windows are still not enough at all ...

SONYA

Let's as before ... remember? In the back seats ... and we will can sit there, talk ...

ALEX

So ... let's get to the back seats!

ZOEY

And still you can sleep there...

(smiling)

Because quite a lot to go ...

ALEX

Oh, just don't remind me of the dream and the length of the trip ...

(laughs)

SONYA

Stop it! Today we will not go so much! And we will have a rest at any hotel ...

ZOEY

Roadside hotels  $\dots$  yet there is something mysterious about them  $\dots$ 

SONYA

Why is it mysterious?! I think, bad roadside hotels it doesn't happen ...

(laughs)

The twins sit in the back seats. Alex and Anthony sit down in front of them. Are placed.

In a few moments, the bus starts to leave. Indie music starts to sound.

A scene from the past. A small bus. Alex of the same period as the scene of the paper figure.

TEACHER

Children! Let's go fast! Because the driver will go without us!

SOME BOY

Why would he go there alone?!

TEACHER

Don't start! I'll call your mother and she'll pick you up soon!

SOME BOY

The driver won't get the money if he goes without us, right?

TEACHER

I think he can go on his own to at least not hear you ... (smiles ironically and looks at the boy)

On the bus - quickly!

Alex and the twins follow the boy.

ALEX

Where to sit ... I don't know...

ZOEY

You can't always decide ...

SONYA

What to decide ... follow us!

ZOEY

He still wants to sit next to the driver.

(laughs)

ALEX

Near the driver to sit cool! Watch his work ... on the road...

SONYA

Watch the road need in a

different way.

(smiling)

Children sit in seats. The twins lead Alex to the rear seats.

SONYA

Here it is!

ALEX

This is far...

SONYA

You will not get lost! (laughs)

ZOEY

It's just quiet here, and it's necessary ...

ALEX

For what?

ZOEY

To be able to quietly look out the window ... and think ...

SONYA

Yes, it helps ... You must have forgotten just ...

ZOEY

Remember what your cousin said?

ALEX

Not really  $\dots$  what did she say?!

ZOEY

That any trip ... is an opportunity to sit in silence and think about something ... your own.

ALEX

Oh yeah...

SONYA

Here is the window...

(points to the seat by the window)
sit down!

(smiling)

The bus starts to go. Attention to the wheel of this bus, and immediately the transition to the bus wheel which Alex goes to the festival.

Only the scene moves away from the wheel - indie music starts to sound. Everyone on the bus sings the words of this indie track. Alex looks out the window, then at others, and also sings. A view of the bus lounge, where everyone is singing as well - with their hands waving, who looks out the window, who just smiling.

The scene lasts at least two minutes, making it possible to convey the atmosphere of a bus ride with music as much as possible.

The song ends. Everyone clapping, shouting, whistling. Then all begin to do their own affairs. The bus goes on. Alex has a conversation with Anthony.

ANTHONY

Are you going for the first time?

ALEX

To the festival?

ANTHONY

Yep.

ALEX

Yes, for the first time ... though I have long wanted.

ANTHONY

Well you're obviously not very young ... why didn't you go before? There was no opportunity?

ALEX

You know ... the opportunities were ... Here is another matter.

ANTHONY

Well, I probably understood ...

ALEX

(smiling)

Seriously?

ANTHONY

Yes ... often I meet...

(smiling)

Family, work ...

And what do you think of us?

ANTHONY

You know ... I don't think anything. You are not offended but I don't care like everyone else I think ...

ALEX

Oh, nothing, everything's fine. (smiling)

Why so? Why is it indifferent?

ANTHONY

Three years ago, I met a girl, thirty years old ... We was going to a rock concert.

(smiling)

And she told the whole way about her daughter, whether everything was well with her...

ALEX

And is it annoying?

ANTHONY

No, it's not.

(smiling)

You just understand she felt uncomfortable in front of others for being that she is mom, and left her daughter, for the sake of your favorite rock band ...

ALEX

Well, it's the kids ... I think she was really worried ...

ANTHONY

Of course! But I don't care ... if you have already decided, then go and everything ... I don't see anything wrong with that. It's just a concert ... she did not give the child to the orphanage ...

ALEX

Yes ... I agree.

ANTHONY

So you too, just have fun ... did you ever want to go and

here you are on the way, that's cool! So this is important to you now ...

ALEX

Maybe so ...

The conversation is over. Alex sits and looks out the window. The volume of the music indie increases. The bus continues on the road, sunset.

Next scene. The bus arrives at the motel. Evening.

ALEX

Finally! Maybe here we sing and...

(smiling)

SONYA

We will put on different costumes ... and there will be our festival.

(laughs)

ZOEY

Don't say that ... we didn't go that long, and they already ... (smiling)

ALEX

(smiling)

Well sorry, I'm not used to such trips ...

Alex and the twins get off the bus and walk to the motel.

ZOEY

I sometimes think it would be great to live like this ...

ALEX

How to live? In the bus? (smiling)

ZOEY

(smiling)

No ... what's the bus ... well, always move, spend the night, and maybe live in motels for a while ...

ALEX

I don't know...

SONYA

But really ... Remember Alex, you wanted to read twenty more books ... you said ...

(laughs)

ALEX

Yeah...

SONYA

In such motels

(points to the building of the

motel)

no one would disturb you ...

ZOEY

(smiling)

Twenty books? What else a books?!

SONYA

He list has ...

ALEX

Yeah ... well, just a list of books I want to read ... nothing special.

(smiling)

SONYA

What is special about this list is that it began to emerge many years ago ... and it's only growing.

(smiling)

ZOEY

That's why motels are needed! The list would disappear very soon!

ALEX

(laughs)

Maybe! But you know ... it just sounds nice, romantic ... traveling and reading books.

(smiling)

SONYA

All the fun ... just enjoy ...

ZOEY

Well then, don't stay in motels all the time, but just for a while ... for example, for one month. (smiling)

ALEX

(laughs)

I'll think ... in that case it sounds better.

SONYA

But still on the car, even if small, old ... but on the car!

ALEX

Oh yeah! Because otherwise all the time in motels I will lie down and treat my knees and back,

(laughs)

after these buses ...

They reached the motel. They came in. Everyone else also goes loudly to the motel.

Next scene. Alex walks into his room. Throws a backpack on the bed. Goes to a small table - takes a glass of water and drinks water.

Putting a glass on the table, Alex sees on it a small marker image - it is immediately clear that the child was drawing.

Alex looks and smiles for a while. At this time, the twins enter the room.

ZOEY

Well, what do you have here? How the conditions?

SONYA

Oh, you have the good view from the window! I can see it already ...

(fits to the window)

ALEX

All the usual ...

SONYA

I don't know ... I don't like something ...

ALEX

Nothing ... endure not long ... (smiling)

And what about dinner?!

ZOEY

If I understood the guide, he said there would be bonfires, there would be sausages ...

ALEX

Oh, that's good! Then let's go!

They come out of the room, Alex locks him on the key. And they start go to the yard near the motel. They descend from the third floor.

SONYA

You don't know if there will be a real bonfire there?

(turns to sister)

ZOEY

No  $\dots$  I heard that  $\dots$  and what he meant  $\dots$  maybe just...

SONYA

In any case, you can burn our
mattresses from our room ...
 (ironic facial expression)

ZOEY

(laughs)

Oh, normal mattresses ... and the bonfire I think will be ...

ALEX

(smiling)

It has to be  $\dots$  And remember how then  $\dots$  when we went  $\dots$ 

SONYA

Oh yeah...

ALEX

It seemed ordinary, but that's the taste, the smell of marshmallows ...

ZOEY

It was probably the biggest trend then ... among the children ...

ALEX

I think nothing has changed  $\dots$  and then I wanted it, and now I think the kids also want that

. . .

SONYA

Of course! And who doesn't want! Travel without parents ... bonfires, marshmallows ...

ZOEY

That's when you didn't think... what quality mattresses ... (smiling)

All three laughed. They went down to the ground floor, open the door and leave the motel.

A scene from the past. There are campfire burning among certain trees. Kids are sitting around him on wooden benches or trees. From the same trip Alex and his classmates to the national park. Evening. The teacher is also with them.

TEACHER

Where's your marshmallow?

SOME BOY

In my backpack! I thought we
would roast some more meat ...

TEACHER

Meat?!

SOME BOY

Yes ... in movies, adults always roast meat ...

TEACHER

Oh ... you already had dinner! (smiling)

SOME BOY

My dad told me that going on picnic without meat and beer is a disrespect for yourself!

TEACHER

(laughs)

I hope your dad didn't put you a beer ...

The boy runs to the backpack, gets a few packs of marshmallows from him. Children disassemble them and begin to open. Frame where the moon and again the children. They are already roasting marshmallows and talking.

The taste is strange but cool!

(Alex says this and tastes

marshmallows on a wand)

SONYA

It always reminds me of that taste cotton candy...

ALEX

No! The taste and smell like burned candy ... a few years ago, dad accidentally threw a box of candies into the fireplace ... that's how was smell two days in the house.

ZOEY

I would have that kind of dinner every day ... and not that porridge ...

SONYA

(laughs)

Oh yeah ...

ALEX

(laughs)

Yeah, that would be great!

ZOEY

You know ... in high school, when we become adults, we need to have more dinner like that ... roast marshmallows ...

ALEX

Yes ... and have a big portable barbecue like my uncle's ...

SONYA

Then you also have to have a big car to carry the barbecue...

ALEX

(laughs)

Of course! The other way will not work! Huge pickup, green!

ZOEY

And to have a long antenna sticking out of the cabin!

And many lots of marshmallows in the trunk!

All attention shifts to the campfire. Off-screen laughter, the noise of children.

Attention is diverted from the fire. This is already the scene where Alex, the twins, Anthony, Amelie and others are sitting.

ANTHONY

I don't understand how can not love sausages, meat ...

ALEX

Yes ... but there are those who refused because of their beliefs ...

ANTHONY

(laughs)

I don't know ... I don't understand it, it's funny to me...

ALEX

(smiling)

Well, everyone has the right ...

ANTHONY

Yes of course! No questions. Everyone has the right! I'm just saying that I don't understand it ... it's natural to eat meat ...

ALEX

You know, I think it's more of a challenge for yourself ... it's good for health ...

ANTHONY

(laughs)

Challenge?! Well, maybe so ... over-heavy not eat meat ...

ALEX

(smiling)

No, you don't understand ... the challenge is not to eat meat ... the challenge is to adjust to a new way of life...

ANTHONY

Oh, well, if so, I agree ... sounds strange ... but these are big life changes ...

SONYA

The changes are big, but it might be cool to try in the future ...

ALEX

Indeed, maybe ...

AMELIE

Oh ... I personally would never have dared ... it's still not necessary ... and any changes are not for me!

(smiling)

ZOEY

But even if you do not look at the benefits for animals, for your health ... it is in any case just interesting. I think so.

(smiling)

AMELIE

Of course, this is interesting ... but when I have, for example, a good diet, why change something? This is when you just have to change your diet, because of problems with health, then you can try ... still nothing to lose ... and so I don't see the point

(smiling)

SONYA

Well that sounds weird too ... why wait for health problems... (laughs)

AMELIE

(laughs)

Well, that's just I said, for example...

SONYA

The sausages smell good, of course, and I am right now refuse don't want!

(laughs)

But in the future ... why not give it a try? Only possible to some extent ...

ANTHONY

(laughs)

Well ... that's what had to prove! To give up, but to some extent!

ZOEY

(laughs)

Well, how else? This is a seriously changes ...

ANTHONY

I don't mind ... of course ...

SONYA

In any case, these changes, albeit small, will already be useful. They, I think, will make think ...

ZOEY

And then it is already possible and to a greater extent ...

## AMELIE

You see, you are not sure ... this is what I was saying ... why change something when everything is so great?

(smiling)

I think these are unnecessary problems ...

SONYA

I don't know, I think to change something in life ... I would like to do it more often, it is new emotions, new feelings ...

AMELIE

There is a risk that they ... these feelings ... will be worse and then it will be sad...

ALEX

I think that even if nothing is changed, then it is also a risk ... how do we know what will happen next ...

AMELIE

Yes, I agree ... but you know, yes, you can at least hope that nothing will change for the worse and you will be fine as is ... in a word, I'm calmer when I'm not trying to change anything.

(laughs)

ALEX

(smiling)

Yeah ...

(looks on bonfire)

Alex mentions the scene where he talks to Mr. Bono. The scene is in tones that make it clear that these are memories. He only mentions a single piece of dialogue between them.

Mr. BONO

They have been building here for the third month. And only once a month do they build so many rows of bricks in one day.

ALEX

Do you count the rows every morning?

Mr. BONO

You know ... not that I'm counting ... it's just that I can see how much the walls have grown.

ALEX

I understand.

(smiling)

Still, not one decade here.

Mr. BONO

That's right.

(laughs)

When you the time is in one place, you start to notice any small changes. That a woman in a new jacket today ...

ALEX

It is striking.

(smiling)

Mr. BONO

Oh yeah, but not me ... Most of them

(with a glance at the bus passengers)

are here - with striking abilities.

ALEX

Well, that's great! You know many people. You have someone to talk to.

(smiling)

Mr. BONO

This is, of course, good ... But most of all, I like that calmness and balance. You will feel it through the years.

ALEX

Calm for what?

Mr. BONO

Peace of mind that you know where you are going, who you are going with ... You know everything completely. And most importantly, calm that you are like everyone else.

ALEX

Yeah, that's great, probably...

Mr. BONO

Of course, this is great ...

Again a scene with a campfire. Someone started playing guitar. Some started dancing. Shouts, laughter. The general plan. Night.

The next day. The bus continues to move. Moments later, the bus stops at a small stop. Ahava and Tony take the bus.

AHAVA

Hello people! How are you doing here?

(laughs)

All passengers cheer hello.

TONY

We thought that you would forget about us this time ... (smiling)

SOME PASSENGER (laughs)

You can't be forgotten! Especially her! (smiling)

The whole bus laughs.

TONY

(smiling)

Here you are laughing, but we've been forgotten to pick up on the road ... not once

SONYA

Really did this happen?!

(exclaims from the back seats,
while Ahava and Tony also go into
the back seats, where there are
seats available)

AHAVA

Yes!

(laughs)

It happened ...

SONYA

Oh... it's so sad...

TONY

(smiling)

But it's nothing ... we're used to ...

ALEX

Not a very pleasant habit. (smiling)

TONY

There is an explanation ... we just always join the journey, just like that ... in the middle of the itinerary.

Tony and Ahava sit down close to the twins and  ${\sf Alex.}$ 

**AHAVA** 

Yes ... and that's why some travelers forget us ...

TONY

(laughs)

It's especially funny when the bus we've been waiting for hours just runs past us ...

ZOEY

I don't think it's a lot of fun...

(smiling)

AHAVA

By the way, we always are forgotten by the very first ... because we get off the bus first, and everyone else is still traveling ... and then when we meet again, they don't remember us anymore.

(laughs)

TONY

(laughs)

Yes  $\dots$  and then this face

(shows a surprised face)

- we are really familiar?! ...
I don't think ...

(laughs)

SONYA

I don't know... as can forget
you ...

(smiling)

ZOEY

Especially you, Ahava ...

AHAVA

Why especially me?

(smiling)

ZOEY

Because of your unusual name...

AHAVA

(laughs)

Oh, well, maybe ...

TONY

(laughs)

Yes ... especially when she gets on the bus in the middle of the road ... people are already relaxed ... and she - Hi, I'm Ahava!

(laughs)

AHAVA

(laughs)

Don't be jealous! I'm not guilty, that it's hard to remember about you at all.

(smiling)

Everyone is smiling. Ahava and Tony laying out their things a little. Alex looks out the window. Starts playing some romantic music - indie artist or indie band.

A scene from the past. About two or three years ago. Alex walks down the street. Talking on the phone with a friend.

ALEX

So what did they tell you?

NED

Dude, they said almost nothing...

ALEX

No... at least the details were reported?

NED

I know for sure that basically I will can work at home ... and it pleases me.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

You should only be pleased with what you will be paid ...

NED

(laughs)

Oh yeah ... I hope it won't be like no past work ...

ALEX

Well here at least the office is  $\dots$ 

(laughs)

NED

Okay, okay ... don't remind ... Better tell me, how are you? How did the training? Today on the treadmill?

(laughs)

ALEX

A lot of questions ... Don't remind me of those training ... No, not a treadmill ... dumbbells lifting ... So, I think this training make no

sense ...

NED

(laughs)

Okay... How is the probationary period?

ALEX

I don't know ... two months flew by fast ... as if all was well, but I'm not sure I want to doing just that ...

NED

I understand ... but you don't lose anything ... One month left?

ALEX

Yep...

In front of Alex, a girl sat on the sidewalk. She was doing something with her sneaker.

NED

Oh well! Don't forget about time ... and ...

ALEX

Yes, Ned, everything is fine ... I'll call you back ...

NED

What? But...

Alex put the phone down in pocket. He approached the girl.

ALEX

Sorry, you have something happened?

The girl turned. It was Catherine.

CATHERINE

Aw ...

(smiling)

A small accident ... the sole fell off almost ... trying to repair ...

Alex's expression changed immediately. He bent down to inspect the sole of the sneaker.

Oh ... I'm afraid you just can't repair it here ... Are you still far away?

CATHERINE

Not very ... a few blocks ... I'm in a hurry, work ... you know...

ALEX

Of course!

(smiling)

It is in that direction that I am stepping up to work ... you know ... I can help you ...

CATHERINE

Oh ... thank you ...but how you can help? ... I think now I'll call a cab and I'll go ...

ALEX

No, wait ... the proposal is weird.

(laughs)

But you are in a hurry!

CATHERINE

(smiles)

Well ... and what is your idea?

ALEX

I'm going with training ... and I have a pair of sneakers ... they're almost new!

CATHERINE

(laughs)

Oh ... I don't know ...

ALEX

And I didn't run into them ... they don't have a sharp smell...

(laughs)

CATHERINE

(laughs)

But just awkward somehow ...

Alex pulls out of the sneaker backpack and puts them on the ground.

ALEX

What is awkward?! Don't

understand... wearing and go! It's only a few minutes! I don't think they are too big for you.

(smiling)

CATHERINE

(smiling)

Well, if you so insist ... because I'm really late ...

ALEX

Perfectly! I'll write you my phone number now - and then we'll contact, so that the sneakers... okay?

(asks with hope and a slight smile)

CATHERINE

(smiling)

I agree!

(puts on sneakers)

Thank you so much ...

Alex waits a bit for Catherine to wear her sneakers. And then they start to go. They laugh a little.

Next scene on the bus. The driver in the loudspeaker reports that they will not stay at the hotel as planned, but at the campsite, it is a little further. So it will be better, more will overcome the path.

SONYA

What good news ...

(ironic smile)

ZOEY

I want ice cream ... not camping ...

SONYA

Oh yes ... I wouldn't refuse too ...

ALEX

What ice cream?! My back is swollen ... just horror ...

SONYA

(laughs)

I understand ...

ZOEY

But still tents ... I think it's good.

(smiling)

SONYA

Well, yes, this is really like a trip ...

ALEX

But I'm afraid that in your tents, my back will not rest...

ZOEY

Indeed, there is such a risk...

(smiling)

But I think in the midst of the tents and bonfire - the back will stop hurting!

SONYA

(smiling)

And don't forget the light music and the fresh air ...

ALEX

My back already it stops hurting when I hear it  $\dots$ 

(laughs)

All three laughed. The bus was moving in the middle of the evening.

A scene from the past. Alex, together with twins and other children, is in the big tent. Already gone to bed, but still talking.

ALEX

It's cool we're in a tent ...

ZOEY

Yes ... it would be great to stay here for a long time ... and not go to school ...

ALEX

My dad also said that living in a tent is good ... and if it wasn't for me, he would have taken our orange tent a long time ago and would have gone to the park two blocks away ...

ZOEY

Does he like to travel?

I don't know ... I think not ... after all, when we go to Grandma's, he starts to get angry ... probably he doesn't like traveling ...

SONYA

I'm sure everyone loves to
travel ... it's so wonderful
... I don't understand how
anyone may not like it all?

ALEX

Probably so ... but what do you say when a huge python climbs into the tent?!

SONYA

What?! Python?! Do they live here?

ALEX

Where else can they live ...

(laughs)

I watched on TV as a python ate a whole boar ...

SONYA

I'm already scared! But are we
in the tent?

ALEX

I don't think it's a problem for him ... but we're not near the entrance, it's better ...

ZOEY

He will not attack, there are many of us here! I think he will be afraid of us all ...

ALEX

So... it is good that us many ... together it's always cool...

SONYA

It would be great on all vacations to ride all together ... it's so much fun!

ZOEY

When we will be adults, that's when no one will forbid

traveling with a tent ...

ALEX

Yes, I agree ... it will be great!

SONYA

And you can still travel on a small van ... I often see one in town when I go to school ... Remember?

ZOEY

Yes ... bright green!

ALEX

Cool! I think in such a van a lot of things needed for travel...

ZOEY

Of course! And we can travel all together, roast marshmallows, swim in lakes ...

SONYA

Alex, and you could fish! As much as you want!

ALEX

Oh yeah  $\dots$  we went with Dad only a few times  $\dots$ 

ZOEY

So we will do it...

A scene where everyone at camping. Who is trying to pitch the tent they rented. Someone near a small campfire playing indie music on guitar. Alex and Tony are sitting on the bench talking.

ALEX

So you travel a lot? Well, at least at festivals...?

TONY

It's hard to say ...

(smiling)

When someone mention me ...

ALEX

Mention you?

TONY

(laughs)

Yeah ... when anyone remembers, I go with him. I don't travel myself ...

ALEX

I understand...

TONY

Although for me festivals, this is certainly not the most important ... and personal life is, it is probably in the first place ... but without all that (points to camping, people)

I also can not ...

ALEX

Yes ... it's kind of fascinating ...

TONY

I agree, but not for everyone...

ALEX

Of course ... someone likes to collect mushrooms, and this is also cool ... because there is no such constant noise...

(laughs)

TONY (laughs)

Oh yeah ...

ALEX

Although I think it is good when there are some close friends who share your passion for festivals, mushrooms or something else ... Do you have many acquaintances going to this festival?

TONY

Yes, I agree, it's cool when there are such people ... I don't even know ... there are some who also go ... However, more often than not, people promise, but don't come, though I invite.

I know this feeling...

TONY

No, you know ... I'm not offended ... I just don't care. Well, it's their business ...

ALEX

Yes ... good man.

(laughs)

TONY

Rarely do I hear that ...

(laughs)

People basically try to find something bad in me. I didn't invite anyone anywhere - I'm bad, went without saying goodbye - I'm bad ... And they don't pay attention to how they behave ...

ALEX

Sometimes it's hard to understand people ...

TONY

I think it's okay.

(smiling)

It happens that of course I do not want to see someone who doesn't appreciate ... but usually, I still treat people with understanding.

(smiling)

ALEX

Planning to go to another festival?

TONY

I don't know ... it's quite
possible. I'm not in one place
- I keep moving!

(laughs)

A scene from the past. One and a half - two years ago. Alex in the gym with Ned. On adjacent treadmills.

NED

Turn on more speed! I go to the store with your speed...

(laughs)

(smiling)

Say thank you that I going here...

NED

Of course ... You have to say thank you to me, at least I'm trying to help you ... you're sitting there in your office.

ALEX

Well ... you answered yourself ... I just don't have time to go here ...

NED

Come on... It's just a few blocks from your freaking office ... I insist that without even this retirement walk you will be worse off ...

ALEX

I understand ... but time is not enough ...

NED

I understand you too ... How is there, by the way, preparing for the wedding?

ALEX

Aw ... all wonderful ...

(smiling)

Catherine has taken on a lot of responsibilities ... and that's cool ... because I wouldn't have had time with my job.

NED

I don't understand ... why rush when such a strain over time ... would have played the wedding in a few years ...

ALEX

I don't know ... I'm not that young.

(smiling)

NED

Oh, man, you're not seventeen ... and this is a maximum deadline for marriage.

(laughs)

Here you are, to put it mildly, late ...

ALEX

(laughs)

Oh yeah ... Really, I think right now it should be ... though difficult. So much time has been lost and job ... it always will be.

NED

Probably you are right ... the main thing is not to forget about training ... Because as you said, job and everything else will always be.

(smiling)

ALEX

Yes ... I don't want to promise, but I'll try ... (smiling)

NED

Didn't you call for that vacancy?

ALEX

No, I didn't have time ... I wanted to, but as always I didn't have time. Time was short ...

NED

Did you find out about her a week or two ago?

(smiling)

ALEX

(laughs)

Yeah ... but at my current job I was loaded ... and now the money is needed, I can't risk it ...

NED

Yeah ... the money is needed, always ...

ALEX

If I had an extra day off, maybe I would call and go for an interview ...

The next scene - the bus pulls up to a large tent

town. Big signboard is the name of the festival. Many cars, tents.

SONYA

Oh, I hope it's cool here!

ZOEY

It is enough to look at it all - and already the ants on the body ...

SONYA

Yeah...

ALEX

Yes, it does large-scale ... hopefully everything will be really good ...

(smiling)

SONYA

It would be cool to look at it all from a height ...

ZOEY

At such festivals often there are all kinds of things ... interesting ...

(smiling)

SONYA

For example...?

ZOEY

Well, of course, skydiving ... hang gliding ...

ALEX

Yes ... stop it now! Skydiving ... of course ...

ZOEY

(laughs)

These are maximum emotions!

ALEX

That's the maximum of nonsense!

SONYA

(laughs)

Well, not all at once ... maybe on the third day ...

ANTHONY

I also think it's all nonsense! Skydiving ... there are now

much safer ways to see
everything from an aerial
view...

(smiling)

ZOEY

(smiling)

Agree that it's not about seeing everything, it's about process of skydiving ...

ANTHONY

Well, I don't know ... not many people are involved in this business, so it is possible to live without it.

(laughs)

ALEX

(laughs)

Said well!

AMELIE

(smiling)

I also think it's not a good idea ... it's better to follow a proven plan - dance on the ground!

(laughs)

AHAVA

(laughs)

And I don't even know ... in principle, if I were to learn more about these skydiving ... it might be my new hobby!

AMELIE

Even so?! Hobby?

AHAVA

Yeah! Why not!

(laughs)

I can switch to another.

ALEX

It's not always easy to do ...

TONY

Nothing! If necessary, I can help!

(laughs)

AHAVA

Oh yeah ... you really always help with that.

The bus stopped. Everyone starts to get out. Alex going with a backpack. He talks to Ahava in parallel.

ALEX

You probably have a lot of interesting hobbies?
(smiling)

**AHAVA** 

(laughs)

It's hard to say ... on different ... but not all at the same time. I practically can't focus on a few hobbies...

ALEX

(smiling)

Yes ... I understand ...

AHAVA

But I can't say I'm like Sonya or Zoey. It's more difficult for me to perceive something similar to this festival ... I can try for sure ... because it is interesting.

(smiling)

ALEX

(smiling)

Yes, I hope so ...

AHAVA

However, I still enjoy spending time alone, in silence ... so much more comfortable, I don't know ...

ALEX

AHAVA

And about hobbies ... they were pretty interesting and unusual in your childhood ... but when you are not many years old, then the hobbies are more likely to occur to what surrounds you ...

That's right ... and remembering it is sometimes embarrassing ...

(laughs)

#### AHAVA

As a kid, fishing with dad ... he is a fisherman.

(smiling)

Bird watching - literally climbing trees (laughs), all because the mother at the time worked as an ornithologist in a laboratory at the university...

#### ALEX

Yes, it's quite versatile, but still - supposed hobbies ... (smiling)

#### **AHAVA**

Yes ... but that childhood. After then it is more difficult with hobbies ... because work takes a lot of time, other things ... it saddens me all...

## ALEX

It's true. As I don't try to balance too - I increasingly understand that the further, the more difficult ... for various reasons ...

## AHAVA

At times, more determined action is needed.

(laughs)

I was very scared of the horse in my school years, he almost hit me ... but then, Tony made me take the issue more resolutely

(laughs)

and here I learned to ride a horse ... and now I sometimes ride.

(smiling)

ALEX

Cool! I've never ridden a horse...

SONYA

On a horse?!

(Sonya exclaimed, catching up with Alex and Ahava)

ALEX

Yes ... Ahava says she is able (smiling)

AHAVA

Yep!

SONYA

How cool! Will have to try somehow ...

Everybody approached the building of registration, receiving tickets, passes. Quite a long queue. Alex puts a backpack. Suddenly a telephone call - Alex inserts his headphones and starts talking to Catherine.

ALEX

Hi, honey! Everything is good?!

CATHERINE

So, don't worry ... Where are you now?

ALEX

I wait  $\dots$  there is some congestion.

(laughs and looks at the queue)

CATHERINE

Oh, I get it ... as always.

(laughs)

ALEX

With the news?

(laughs)

But is this really what I think...

CATHERINE

Yes! Exactly!

ALEX

You're fast! So which?

CATHERINE

These are the blue ones with the bright yellow and pink circles ... What do you think?!

Perfectly! I don't really remember them exactly ... (laughs)

CATHERINE

I never doubted it!

(laughs)

There are photos, I will send to you that lest you be confused!

ALEX

Good! I'll wait!

CATHERINE

Okay, then good luck! Love you!

ALEX

Love you too! Bye!

The first day of the festival. Indie music is playing in the background. Alex and the twins stroll around the tents. Around people, in unusual costumes. Alex and the twins are also in costumes.

ALEX

This atmosphere...

SONYA

Like it?

(smiling)

ALEX

Oh yeah ... I can't compare it to something else...

SONYA

(smiling)

And don't try ... it's practically not possible ...

ZOEY

This is just the beginning ... further chaos will begin.

(laughs)

ALEX

I can't wait till tonight ...

ZOEY

(laughs)

Yes, the evening is always best...

You always told me this ... for how many years!

(laughs)

SONYA

(smiling)

And only now you can feel everything ...

ALEX

People really go out here all night? Dancing and that's it...

SONYA

Well ... looking what kind of people ...

ZOEY

I think it is difficult for the first time for all  $\dots$ 

(laughs)

ALEX

Difficult!? But I thought about all this many years ...

(smiling)

ZOEY

I just think for the first time - you just have to get emotion from the fact ...

SONYA

Yeah! Emotions from the fact that you're here ... is really strange feeling.

ALEX

It's true ... just how many times have you told, how many times have you said it all ... I don't even know what to look for here.

(laughs)

SONYA

You should just relax ... (smiling)

ZOEY

Just remember that here are people from all over the country ...

SONYA

I would say from all over the world  $\dots$ 

ALEX

Yeah...

SONYA

And you can be with them all ... just enjoy the moment ...

ZOEY

It's awesome...

ALEX

Well so far I can definitely confirm that here other people

SONYA

We told you this ... (smiling)

ALEX

Yes ... everyone is unusually friendly ...

Anthony approaches Alex and the twins. He hears Alex's latest reply.

ANTHONY

Unusually friendly?! They?!
 (smiling and pointing at twins)

ALEX

(laughs)

People!

ANTHONY

(laughs)

People?! Alex, we arrived not too long ago, and you already wander ...

ALEX

(smiling)

Why?! Just look around ...

ANTHONY

I don't know ... maybe ... But I still think it's just a good performance.

(smiling)

ALEX

Performance?

ANTHONY

Yes, that's right ...

SONYA

Maybe people here are special going?

ANTHONY

Yes, they are special in that they are mostly young, and even very ...

(smiling)

That's why they're fine here...

ZOEY

That's cool!

(laughs)

ANTHONY

Of course, I'm not saying anything against ... (smiling)

ALEX

I think the main thing is that we are here ... how much to think about it, and here it is before me...

They are all stepping. A scene in front of them. Some are already dancing. It's still late morning. Indie music plays on the background.

Scenes with performances by indie musicians. Many people, evening, night. Everyone dances joyfully and dynamically, having fun. Alex dances with the others, but still has a somewhat thoughtful look. It looks as if he is just watching on all this and think something. This all lasts for a few minutes, with all the scenes changing several times.

Alex with the twins. They eat or drink something. They are in conversation. The festival is coming to an end.

SONYA

This time everything is quite cozy and harmonious ...

ZOEY

Yeah... happens that's a lot of confusion ... but this time it's all right.

SONYA

ALEX

Yes ... basically, yes. You've talked a lot and it's really grand ...

ZOEY

I think, you read a lot of things before the trip and reviewed about all these festivals ...

SONYA

You just had to see everything with your own eyes ... but I think something is wrong ...

ALEX

I don't even know ... I saw almost everything you said ... well, it may be a little different, but it's not that important ...

ZOEY

You came to your favorite band... you so wanted that... (smiling)

ALEX

Oh, of course it's wonderful ... what I've seen and see now is cool ...

SONYA

You know ... this can happen. Maybe you just didn't have the mood...

ZOEY

Yeah! For such festival it is necessary that the mood is good! Because everything here should feel ...

ALEX

But all great ... great trip, despite my back...

(laughs)

great communication ...

SONYA

Maybe all the way around? (laughs)

ALEX

How is it?

SONYA

You just waited a long time and gave all the moral strength ...

ALEX

Yes, maybe ... Ahava said she loves quieter places, not so noisy ... maybe me too

ZOEY

Oh, all right ... listened to everyone, and now he's unhappy.

(laughs)

SONYA

Listen only us!

(laughs)

We only for all beautiful ...

ALEX

I will not argue!

(laughs)

That's true ... but there are others, and I probably listen to them too ...

ZOEY

It certainly is ... and it's probably right.

(smiling)

But so much fun a rest also need...

ALEX

Yes, apparently...

The scene is moving away. Indie rock music is playing. And at the end of the stage - the music ends on a high-pitched note, as if to announce that the festival is over.

A scene where everyone with backpacks is waiting for a slow-moving bus. All slowly, exhausted will climb. Playing calm indie music. Some people talk and laugh. Someone is smiling. After that - the bus goes to the road.

Scene in the bus. Alex sits opposite the twins, in

the back seats. Talking. Indie music is heard on the bus.

SONYA

So how are you? How mood?

ALEX

I think everything is fine ... (smiling)

ZOEY

Maybe you better go to any concert?

ALEX

Concert?

ZOEY

Yes, and why not? Still, the music you love ... the atmosphere is good ... just less of all this noise ...

ALEX

I was already at the concerts
... there well, but another...

SONYA

Of course there otherwise ... no need to go there for a few days ...

(laughs)

ZOEY

Exactly!

ALEX

No, once again, the festival is cool ... but for some reason I don't know ... not those feelings ...

SONYA

And what were they supposed to be?

(smiles and pause)

You just wanted for a long time get on it ...

ZOEY

If only before ... you probably don't even remember what you wanted to feel, did you?

Oh yes ... a lot of time has passed ...

SONYA

We talked to you in the second year of university ...

ZOEY

We are you then persuaded probably a whole month ... (laughs)

ALEX

So you were badly convinced by  $\ensuremath{\text{me...}}$ 

(smiling)

SONYA

(smiles)

Of course ... we're guilty ...

ALEX

(laughs)

I see no other reasons!

ZOEY

Oh really?! Of course, it is difficult

(showing quotes)

to work a few weeks and earn  $\dots$  you have to attend all the classes  $\dots$ 

(laughs sarcastically)

ALEX

(laughs)

I tried to study well ...

SONYA

No one says it's bad ... just not all the time?

(smiling in astonishment)

ZOEY

But now you're a well-trained, sad man ...

ALEX

(laughs)

Yeah... But will change nothing...

SONYA

Well, then, better say - when will joy come into this world?

ALEX

Joy?

(smiling)

Soon!

ZOEY

Oh ... I think it's just incredible ... I don't even imagine how awesome the first time you can take a baby in arms ...

SONYA

Take your own baby!

ALEX

It's grand ... it's grand ...

SONYA

You don't know exactly how you will feel ... And what this a feel?

(smiling)

ALEX

Yeah...

ZOEY

It would be great to buy a small stroller ... they are so cute now ...

SONYA

All things related to kids cute ... automatically.

(laughs)

ZOEY

I agree ... but when I see those strollers ... I just forget about everything else.

(smiling)

ALEX

Yes, I will definitely buy one...

(smiling)

Much needed ... and much already are.

(laughs)

SONYA

Panic?

I hope not ... although it is possible ...

ZOEY

(laughs)

Excessive will not... everything will come in handy.

(smiling)

ALEX

That's true! I just don't know ... I've been in an unusual state lately ...

SONYA

I think it's okay. Soon everything will pass, the worries will begin...

ZOEY

Will grow up and ride a bike with you ... because Catherine doesn't like bikes ...

(laughs)

SONYA

On your quiet and peaceful area...

ALEX

SONYA

(laughs)

By the way ... really! Buy a bike and you won't be in the bus for hours going to the office ...

ALEX

Yeah... Maybe it's good idea!
(laughs, turns and looks out the
window. On the window the bus sees
rain drops)

Oh ... but when it rains ...

Everyone starts looking out the windows. The bus goes on. The rain is starting to get stronger.

Tony, who was sitting near Alex, was beginning to gather. Some things are put in a backpack. Alex starts a conversation with him.

Tony! You already will go out? (surprised and embarrassed face)

TONY

Yes, Alex ... I'll be leaving at the next stop ...

ALEX

You all right? Why you have to go out now?

TONY

Yes all right!

(smiling)

Well, yes ... I often change plans because of various important things ...

ALEX

Yes, I understand ... I just was hoping that we would discuss the festival with you...

(laughs)

We are almost didn't talk about it...

TONY

Well, there will be many more festivals...

(smiling)

ALEX

Oh ... I don't even know ... I guess for a long time I won't be able to get to the festival...

(laughs)

TONY

Nothing! When we will be on retire, we to go to festivals...

(laughs)

I think then affairs will be less!

ALEX

(laughs)

Good idea! I will tell her twins, it will definitely not let me forget!

(smiling)

The bus stops. Tony with a backpack starts getting

off the bus saying goodbye to everyone.

The bus moves on. Alex pulls out his phone and headphones. Pushes headphones in, turns on indie rock music and looks out the window where it is raining.

Next scene. The bus enters the city. Stops at one of the stops. Some are leaving the bus. Alex turns to the window and sees a man with his daughter, aged seven, standing near the stop. Alex smiles easily.

A scene where a man takes off his jacket and covers her daughter so that it does not get wet. The sky from which it rains.

Again in the frame is Alex, who sits in the same clothes as he went to work in the morning. His headphones continue to play indie music. But the bus is different, all those who went with him in the morning. Alex looks around and takes out his headphones. He gets out of his seat and leaves at the next stop.

A scene where the city is just shown. People are in a hurry. Many cars. A normal weekday. Rain. Easy indie music.

Next scene. Evening. Alex goes to his house. In the same clothes he went to work. He has several rolls of wallpaper with the bright yellow and pink circles. He walks into the house.

ALEX

Honey, I'm home!

CATHERINE

Hi!

(hurries a little, hugs and kisses)

Not wet?!

ALEX

Maybe a little ...

(smiling)

Such?

(points to wallpaper)

CATHERINE

Yes! It's them!

ALEX

Good. I ordered and they had a few rolls ... I bought them too.

(smiling)

CATHERINE

You better tell me - boss let you go at your festival?

ALEX

Oh ... no ... because I didn't even ask ...

(smiling)

CATHERINE

Why again?!

(smiling sternly)

ALEX

You know ... I had this dream, and maybe on retirement I will come back to it ... but now I have another dream (smiling, hugs Catherine and puts his hand on her belly)

Catherine smiles and kisses Alex. The scene ends with a quiet indie song.

### THE END

# Brief description

The main message - even small dreams should be tried make when you want it. After all, it is time not to turn back, there are new worries and new dreams.

A bus trip to the festival, the festival itself is just Alex's thoughts.

When he goes to work on the bus, under indie music in headphones, he represents and thinks.

Sonya and Zoey twins are the epitome of Alex's dreams, they've been with him since childhood. Anthony is the epitome of society. Amelie is the epitome of routine. Tony is the epitome of time. Ahava is the embodiment of love. Alex thinks and recollects different life events, trying to make a decision, to make sense of some things and actions.

The main character Alexei - from childhood wanted to get to the festival, but continued to

postpone it. And as soon as he became an adult, when he was about to become a father, he wanted to go to the festival. But when he thinks about it, he realizes that time has passed, he doesn't even remember the emotions he wanted to feel at the festival. And most importantly, he has another dream now - to get the his own baby in his arms faster.