

1. EXT. BELLHOUSE

Two youths MAX and GABBIE. They make their way to the side of the mansion, Gabbie taking the lead. Max checks his phone every so often.

GABBIE

Oi mate, put your phone away.

Max puts his phone by his side.

GABBIE starts to jimmy a window. Max looks down to check his phone.

GABBIE

What you doin' fam, help.

Max goes over to help with the window.

They struggle. Max's phone buzzes, and a notification sounds.

GABBIE

I thought your phone was on silent.

MAX

It is...

Max takes out his phone. On the screen the news report plays - as Gabbie climbs through the window.

2. NEWS REPORT

REPORTER

(coughs to clear throat)

Today is Friday the 3rd, the time is 4pm. This broadcast is being streamed to every device in the country to bring you this breaking news... Our sun has been destroyed. Due to these unfortunate circumstances we only have 8 minutes to live.

3. EXT. BELLHOUSE

Max's face falls.

He lets go of the window and it slams shut on Gabbie's fingers.

GABBIE

Ay MAX! Stop checking your phone fam,

you don't have any friends.

Max looks up in a sympathetic manner.

MAX

Gabbie...

GABBIE

WHAT!

MAX

I can't go on like this... I remember the first time I stole a teddy bear from the corner shop. It gave me such a rush. So I did it again. £5 from my mums wallet. I thought - it couldn't hurt. But the guilt. Seeing the disappointment in her eyes when she eventually found it under my pillow. Maybe that made me lash out... WHO KNOWS! How did it come to this?

The window is open. Gabbie is nowhere to be seen. She reappears with a bin bag full of loot.

GABBIE

Did you say something?

MAX

This isn't helping anyone but myself, we should be working together to make a better world for everyone. Is this what the good lord wanted from his sheep!?

GABBIE

Uhhh have you smoked something?

MAX

We've only got seven minutes

GABBIE

Well lets get a move on before the police get here!

MAX

NO! Seven minutes to live! The sun's... ran out.

GABBIE

So what are you waiting for?

MAX

I need to repent.

(frantic)

What if I become a priest? How do I
even become a priest? Is there an
online subscription programme?

Where...Where's the nearest church?

Gabbie stares at Max, totally confused.

4. EXT. STREET - ADVERT

A ROBBER pulls on a woman's handbag. Woman pulls back,
Wendigo drink drops out of her bag. ROBBER picks up the
fallen drink, inspects it and drinks it.

They drop the handbag and embrace.

AD VOICE

WENDIGO. Bringing people together.

5. INT. LIVING ROOM

A couple BENITO and IDA watch television. ADVERT ON TV

REPORTER (O.S)

We come with breaking news...Only six
minutes left until the END. Now is the
time to ask for forgiveness, buy that
drink you're craving, or call a loved
one.

Benito's eyes dart from the television to the telephone by
the couch.

Ida turns to him

IDA

Oh Benito! I can't believe this...At
least we have each other...

He immediately starts to dial.

IDA

Oh I'm so grateful for all these years
you were a loyal and loving man.

Benito raises the phone to his ear.

BENITO

(to phone)

Rachelle...It's Benito, I need you...I can't bear the thought of not having you in my arms again...

Ida stands abruptly.

IDA

YOU DOG! Our final moments and you call that floozy! I can't believe you. Our last day and you choose to waste them with someone as hairy as a sloth? All that hair everywhere...What do you get up to!?

Benito takes no notice.

BENITO

(to phone)

So you'll be over? Good. Please hurry...I must have you.

Ida storms off to the...

5A. KITCHEN

She takes out a mobile phone. Dials. Holds it up to ear.

IDA

(to phone)

Lily! It's your mother...Ida. Oh my sweet heart have you seen the news? Please make sure you...

6. TELEVISION

Shows an AD. A hand slams a bottle of Wendigo in front of the screen.

AD VOICE

BUY WENDIGO!

7. INT. OFFICE

Rows of desks. LILY is on the phone.

LILY

Mother I'm fine.

IDA

(through phone)

Just wear a jacket and make sure your

hair is brushed regardless. You want to look presentable for your final day.

LILY

Muuuum, I'm twenty-eight. You don't have to keep nagging m-. Wait. Final day? What news? What are you on about?

IDA

Didn't you see the broadcast? The world is ending.

She starts to type away on her keyboard. Her face drops.

IDA

My baby girl, I love you. You need to take care of yourself. Do you still have that sweater I gave you for Christmas? Winter is coming!

Lily's face drops in shock. She looks around the office and notices the BOSS's office door. She throws the phone away. She stands up determinedly and marches over to...

8. THE BOSS' OFFICE

The door swings open. Lily barges in.

LILY

You! I've had it up to here with you! All the years I've worked here, doing this stupid pointless job, when I never wanted to do it in the first place! I guess my parents dragged me into it - with that stupid economics degree. "Do it for the money" they said. I guess they only want what's best for me, but all I ever wanted was to be a dancer!

The Boss looks up at her blankly

LILY

Ugh, sorry, that's not the point.
(beat)

It's always been about money with you. Making me work extra hours every single day for basically minimum wage! Why don't you care about anything but your fancy cars and expensive

watches!? I WANT A RAISE.

(BEAT)

You're a boring boss. We never liked
tequila Tuesdays anyways!

Lily's anger dies down, and she looks at the boss properly
for the first time.

The boss bursts into tears.

LILY

Please don't cry!

The boss cries louder.

LILY

Now look here, this isn't how you want
to spend the last few minutes of your
life.

The boss rolls on the floor in tears.

LILY starts to back away awkwardly. The boss continues to
cry.

9. INT. NEWS HEADQUARTERS - LATER

REPORTER

On Wednesday 27th, scientist Dr.
Proudhon revealed that his previous
experiment, the conversion of the
sun's matter into to a weapon, has
failed. Tremendously.

(Smiles, nervously)

In his frantic attempts to create this
groundbreaking weapon - represented
here with an image of a banana.

An image of a person holding a banana (gun) appears on the
screen behind the REPORTER. The REPORTER remains unfazed and
continues to relay the news

REPORTER

He managed to destroy the sun, by
obliterating its core. Due to this,
the sun will implode in approximately
thirty seconds. Here is footage of Dr
Proudhun, explaining this phenomenon.

9A.

A video is shown on the screen behind the reporter of a prerecorded interview. Proudhun holds a representation of the sun (big cookie) and the earth (small cookie).

PROUDHUN

Light from the sun takes 8 minutes to reach Earth. So when the sun finally explodes -

(eats/crushes the "sun")

it will take us 8 minutes before we are surrounded by total, extreme, suffocating, darkness. And the Earth, and all the surrounding planets will fly off into deep space, only to be consumed by a BLACK HOLE. Never to be seen again.

PROUDHUN eats the "earth"

PROUDHUN

(with a mouth full of cookie)

I'm so sorry everyone.

10. EXT. BELLHOUSE

Gabbie stares at Max in confusion.

MAX

We need to repent Gabbie...Our souls are dirty from stealing from our fellow men.

GABBIE

And women. And while we're at it gender is a spectrum - uhh stop distracting me. I'm robbing this joint.

Max takes out a water bottle from his bag.

MAX

I'm not letting you go to hell! I've seen them do this in youtube videos.

Blesses the water bottle. Puts the water on his hand and flicks the water at her.

GABBIE

Ay what you doin' fam?

MAX

I'm saving your soul!

Gabbie jumps out of the window leaving the bin bag behind.

GABBIE

You're freaking me out!

Gabbie starts to run away. Max starts to chase her.

MAX

LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR!

Gabbie's phone drops. On it, an...

11. AD

Shows, a Wendigo bottle. Under it:

"New limited time end of the world bottle - Call now to claim"

12. INT. LIVING ROOM

Television shows the AD. The couple sit on the couch Benito excitedly, Ida bored.

She picks up her phone and dials the number on screen.

DING DONG.

They both rush to the door, edging each other out the way.

FRONT DOOR

They open the door. Benito looking on with lust. Ida, confusion.

A man with a big beard stands at the door.

In a fit of anger, Ida turns Benito round and punches him in the face

13. EXT. BENCH SOMEWHERE

Worker runs out of a building, onto a balcony. She walks over to the edge, looking down. Considers something for a moment.

STONER

Hey, what you doing? We've only got 3 minutes left.

A stoner sits on a bench behind her, with a laptop rested in her lap.

She extends her arm, zoot in hand offering it up to Lily.

The worker walks over, sits down, and takes a hit.

STONER

You know what? This wouldn't be happening if we didn't just want it all.

Lily COUGHS as she can't take it in.

LILY

Yeahhh

STONER

Everyone's so...
(hand gestures)
You know

LILY

Yeah sister, I get you.

STONER

Really?

LILY

No...I just want to get something.

The stoner takes her zoot back.

STONER

That's the problem with you people.
You're just thinking of get. What is get?

LILY

A verb?

The stoner turns to Lily as if she had just insulted her mother. She takes a hit.

STONER

Don't be so obsessed with you. All anyone cares about is themselves. Everything is interconnected, life is like a ripple.

Lily screws up her face in confusion

LILY
Like the chocolate bar?

The stoner looks at Lily, shocked by her idiocy.

STONER
At least this is how we go.
Together... This is the end of I. For
before I, there is we.
(beat)
I hope wherever we go is we.

They look into the distance, sharing the silence.

LILY
Same.

As they stare out a red glow washes over their face. The sun starts to fade out.

14. TELEVISION

The news reporter is slumped at his desk, in front of him is a glass of whiskey. His tie is round his head, and his shirt is mostly undone.

REPORTER
You know Jenny. I hate my wife. My
kids are boring, they're spoilt
brats... BRATS. But I'm a terrible
dad.
(beat)
God, the stuff I put my wife through!

CAMERA MAN (O.S)
We're rolling

REPORTER
(beat)
ITS- ITS THE END. THE END OF THE WORLD
JEFF!

A woman walks into frame, and whispers something in the REPORTER's ear.

The REPORTER sits up, and stares silently at the camera for a long while...

The New's theme tune plays

REPORTER

We've just been informed that our servers have been hacked - causing us to give you missinformation... As Donald Trump would say this whole thing was fake news.

The world is not in fact ending.
(laughing hysterically)
Our sincerest apologies.

The REPORTER gets up and walks out of frame.

REPORTER

(accent changes)
Oy , Jeff? Wanna go for a pint?

FADE TO:

15. NEWS REPORT - LATER

NEWS REPORTER

The hacking scandal of last week still perplexes police, as a suspect cannot be found.

16. EXT. HOLLY'S HOUSE

The YOUTHS walk up to a window, crowbar in hand. Max is still holding her phone, watching the report.

REPORTER (O.S)

This SCANDAL places Wendigo as the most valuable company in the market, surpassing coca cola!

17. INT. POSH HOUSE

Ida and Benito sit on their couch, Ida is pristine, but Benito has a bandage round his head. They sit motionlessly watching their TV.

REPORTER (O.S)

Raised suspicion has arisen. Police are still looking into the person/organisation responsible. The question we are all left asking is:

18. INT. OFFICE

LILY sits at her desk, watching the report on her computer screen.

REPORTER (V.O)

What were the motives behind this mysterious hacker? Was it for money and profit? Or was it something deeper? It seems we'll never know.

19. EXT. BENCH SOMEWHERE

The stoner is on a laptop, typing away.

REPORTER (V.O)

And if it was someone acting independently - what will they do next?

She smiles at the camera and slaps the laptop shut.

CUT TO BLACK

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