

The Red Ballon

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EXT . STREET - NIGHT TIME

1

Footsteps can be heard in the distance, a running shadow followed by the footsteps rapidly increasing pace and volume. Drips of blood are left behind.

FADE TO BLACK

THE TITLE OF THE FILM APPEARS.

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT TIME

2

MATTHEW, a seventeen year old boy, laying in bed on his phone, while he waits for his best friend RICARDO

who lives just down the road, to text him back saying that he is awake MATTHEW is scrolling through Facebook. He comes across an article by a unofficial source about a killer clown who's been killing teenagers around his area.

MATTHEW laughs and ignores the article. RICARDO texts MATTHEW back letting him know that he is indeed awake. A few minutes later MATTHEW get's up and goes to the kitchen to make himself a tea.

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT TIME

3

MATTHEW get's into the kitchen and notices there are no tea bags or milk left. So he messages RICARDO letting him know that he will be going down to the shop to buy tea bags and a small bottle of milk.

MATTHEW heads back to his room, he put's his shoes and jacket on, grabs his keys and heads out the door.

EXT . STREET - NIGHT TIME

4

MATTHEW starts walking down the road toward the shop, as he get's closer to where RICARDO lives he starts feeling a bit paranoid like if there is someone following him.

The lights on the road starts flickering, leaves starts to move but there is no wind. MATTHEW looks side to side, he looks behind him and there is nothing out there, so MATTHEW ignores it and keeps walking. Leaves starts to move again very loudly and still there is no wind, MATTHEW stops turns around to see if there is anything there but see nothing.

As he turns back around and about to start walking again, RICARDO jumps out of nowhere giving MATTHEW a fright.

RICARDO laughs.

MATTHEW pushes RICARDO out of the way and keeps walking.

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MATTHEW

What the hell man! don't do that,
it's midnight, fuck!

RICARDO starts walking with MATTHEW to the shop.

RICARDO

Man did you see that article
about the killer clown shit?

MATTHEW

Yeaah, is that even true? it
looks so fake.
(laughs)

RICARDO

Yeahh I call it bullshit! it's
such a stereotypical horror story
like why would anyone dress up
like a clown and kill people,
well only teenagers and at night.

MATTHEW

I know right!

They both laugh.

They arrive at the shop, they go in, buy the milk and the
tea bags.

CAMERA SET FILMING EXTERIOR OF THE SHOP AS THEY GO IN AND
AS THEY COME BACK OUTSIDE.

MATTHEW and RICARDO start heading back home

RICARDO

After all these years that I have
known you I have no idea what
football team you support.

MATTHEW

Oh yeah I support Chelsea, what
team do you support?

RICARDO

Piss off. I support Nottingham
Forest.

MATTHEW stops and stares at RICARDO.

MATTHEW

Whoa Nottingham Forest. They are
not even in the premier league.

MATTHEW laughs and keeps walking.

RICARDO
so what, we are still better than
QPR.

RICARDO takes a long pause and sighs.

RICARDO(CONT'D)
Okay lets not argue about this,
let's just say they are both
equally good but mine is better.

MATTHEW
Fine. wait what? They're both
rubbish.

RICARDO
Anyway, how are you and whatever
her name is?

MATTHEW
Who? What are you on about?

RICARDO
That girl you met at the party.

MATTHEW
Oh. Her. She had a crusty toe, it
was disgusting. Nah but like in
all seriousness she's cool. We
have been speaking a lot since
then-

RICARDO
I got to go man, got college in
the morning, see yah.

MATTHEW and RICARDO do their secret handshake.

They go their separate ways. RICARDO runs home to get there before his parents wake up and notices he's not there. MATTHEW continues walking home. He hears a scream in the distance.

MATTHEW starts walking faster, his breathing gets heavier. MATTHEW can hear footsteps coming behind him, he turns around and there is nothing there, so he slows down and keeps walking. He then hears footsteps and something getting dragged coming towards him, he turns around and doesn't see anything again, he then stops and says.

MATTHEW
Ric, stop playing around, you've
scared me enough for one night.

MATTHEW turns around to continue walking and there is a clown right behind him holding a red balloon. MATTHEW gasps, gives the clown a weird look and pushes him out of the way.

MATTHEW

How the fuck did you change so
fast?

MATTHEW keeps walking, he looks to the other side of the road, he sees another clown with a creep smile on, his teeth are lacerating like a shark's teeth, his mouth and clothes are drenched in blood walking towards MATTHEW.

MATTHEW looks back and the clown with the red balloon is also following him, he then turns around and keeps walking.

MATTHEW is very confused but also very scared, he tries to walk faster but a tricycle rolls towards him blocking his path, followed by a clown walking right behind it with a bloody knife and similar lacerating teeth.

MATTHEW tries to step back but he is surrounded by the clowns, he drops his shopping bag.

CLOSE UP: THE BAG FALLING ONTO THE FLOOR, BURSTING THE MILK BOTTLE OPEN DROPPING OUT OF THE MILK.

A scream can be heard.

CLOSE UP: SPILLED MILK, BLOOD STARTS TO MIX WITH THE MILK CHANGING IT'S COLOUR TO RED.

FADE TO BLACK