

17's Company: Still 17

Episode Three: All bar the jokes...

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Cuts to bar – table.

Zero72: You do get style points for interesting landings, but the really interesting ones are usually fatal...

Worm Mad: Fatal? Hmmm, that kind of kills the fun of it.

Zero72: Yes, but it also creates a challenge. Who can get the highest score and live to enjoy it?

Worm Mad: Find out after the break!

wormsfreak: (walking by, to SomePerson who is sitting next to Zero and Mad) What are they talking about?

SomePerson: shells...

Worm Mad: (overhearing) Beach!

wormsfreak: Uh...never mind. (he walks off looking scared)

Canned Cow Mooing. Everyone looks around. Cuts to bar.

Spadge: Hmmm, I think the old Canned Laughter guy was better.

Cricket Sounds are heard.

SargeMcCluck: Yeah, but this guy's much cheaper. He agreed to do the show for a handful of magic beans.

Spadge: Magic beans?

SargeMcCluck: Yeah, but the trick is... they're not really magic!

Spadge: Ingenious. (Pause) Anyway, did you get your car back?

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SargeMcCluck: Yeah but Blinx had already crashed it.

Spadge: I'm sorry to hear that.

SargeMcCluck: It's probably for the best. It was pretty old.

Spadge: (laughing) I'm sure it wasn't THAT old.

SargeMcCluck: It ran on coal!

Spadge: I stand corrected. (Pause) What about Blinx?

SargeMcCluck: He runs on confectionaries.

Spadge: I mean – where is he?

SargeMcCluck: He's still out there...somewhere. I shudder to think of the inhuman acts he might be committing, right now ...

Cuts to Petrol Station - Restaurant.

Blinx: (angrily to petrol station employee) What do you moan there isn't a cramilal discount? I tell you – I stool the police car out there! Isn't that worf anything?

Cuts to jail. Blinx is thrown unceremoniously inside.

Blinx: HAH! I AM INVINSIBLE! NO PRISON CAN HOLD ME! (they close the door) Um... okay, maybe now it can.

Cuts to Credits.

Title Music Lyrics

*I'm going to fly away,
I'm going to fly away,
I'm going to fly away,
I'm going to fly.*

*I don't want any more random posts,
I don't want any more threads,
I don't want any more silent ghosts,
Or a bullet in my bed.*

*Let my fly away,
Let me go today,
Let me fly away,
Set my spirit free.*

*I don't want any more expectations,
I've had enough of delays,
I don't want any more animations,
There's nothing left to say.*

*Let my fly away,
Let me go today,
Let me fly away,
Set my spirit free.*

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*I don't want any more 'wacky adventures',
I know where they will lead,
I don't want any more swear-word censors,
I've lost my sense of speed.*

*Let my fly away,
Let me go today,
Let me fly away,
Set my spirit free.*

*I look for the door - turn the key,
The door isn't locked - but it is to me,
You try to go - but you know you won't,
It pulls you in - you've paid the fee.*

*Can't fly away,
I'll have to stay,
Can't fly away,
I'll leave tomorrow - Maybe.*

Cast: Worm Mad is the Creator (shot of Mad with puppets with strings)
Paul.Power is the Scientist (shot of Power concocting chemicals)
Test Zero is the Chosen One (shot of Test Zero leading donkey down street)
Vader is the Lunatic (shot of Vader in asylum in a straight jacket)
SargeMcCluck is the Designated Driver (shot of McCluck chin-driving)
FatWhitey is the Fat Guy (Shot of FatWhitey eating a cake)
Star Worms is the Jedi (shot of Star Worms holding a lightsaber)
Blinx is the Spellar (shot of Blinx looking at a whiteboard with 'Blinks' on it.)
MtlAngelus is the Vampire (shot of Angelus on top of building with cape flowing.)
Zero72 is the Artist (shot of Zero72 drawing)
wormsfreak is the Worms Freak (shot of wormsfreak playing Worms)
thomasp is the Mac Fan (shot of thomasp attacking Bill Gates)
UnKnownX is the Creepy Dude (shot of UnKnownX inside his mansion)
BetongÅsna is the Slayer (shot of Betong staking a vampire)
KamikazeBananze is the Police Chief (shot of Kamikaze wearing police uniform)
Squirminator2k is the Robot (shot of S-2k with wires protruding)
mocoworm is the Extra-Terrestrial (shot of mocoworm as an alien)

Also Starring...

Spadge (shot of Spadge serving beer)
APJ (shot of APJ standing in bar corner in shadows)

And Introducing...

Dart (shot of Dart kicking someone in the stomach)
Miguel (shot of Miguel wearing hat)

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mocoworm: But what bothers me is why Vader would want to blow us up. I mean this isn't the first time he's showed his E-ville side but...

FatWhitey: (interrupting) Did I tell you about my wedding?

mocoworm: Er...no.

FatWhitey: Well, me and BUDA (Blow Up Doll Automatic) were just about to exchange rings. We were so happy. But (half-crying) I'd bought a diamond ring.... A DIAMOND RING! (Pause) I can still hear the sound as I fumbled to put the jagged jewel onto her finger... (Pause) Rrrrrrrrip, POP. (Pause)... I tried to give her mouth to mouth, to blow air back into her... but...but the puncture was fatal.

mocoworm: I'm so sorry...I...I didn't know.

FatWhitey: But you know what's worse than all that?

mocoworm: You never told her how much you loved her?

FatWhitey: (ignoring mocoworm) The Cake had m...marzipan on top of it. (breaks down) MARZIPAN!

mocoworm: Marzipan (shakes head) Well that's the icing on the cake, I suppose.

Canned Samba music. Cuts to MtlAngelus' Office.

MtlAngelus: The atmosphere was tense. School-Play tense, why I remember one play at my old school where I had to say 'Someone stole my Tacos' and instead I said 'Someone stole my Trousers' (getting distressed) and everyone was staring at me and the pressure was so much and someone yelled "Angel is a jerk!" and everyone called me 'Anjerk' after that and it was horrible and...uh..(coughs) Eh-hem. Where was I? Oh, yes – the atmosphere was tense, I had received an e-mail from an anonymous sender who called himself JPA which had warned me to be careful because Åsna was in town and wanted me dead. Now BetongÅsna was the Hunter, the Killer, the Slayer. The man no vampire wanted to meet. Just thinking about him was enough to bring me out in a cold sweat. Anyway, I decided to set up camp in the abandoned warehouse at the other end of town where I was convinced nobody would be able to find me.

He walks out of the door into the reception area.

MtlAngelus: (to receptionist) If anyone calls, tell them I've gone to the abandoned warehouse. (handing her a card) Here's the address.

Canned Laughter. MtlAngelus leaves. Cuts to bar – table.

thomasp: (sitting down, pleased) The Apple-Meister is in the house!

Star Worms: You're in a good mood, thomas.

Silence.

Star Worms: Um... why are you in a good mood?

thomasp: The 'Big Apple' was given the go ahead!

Star Worms: America?

thomasp: No. The 'Big Apple', it's the name of Apple's new console which I designed and is set to rival Microsoft's X-Box.

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Star Worms: If you call it the 'Big Apple' people will think you mean America and the X-Box is in third place in the console wars so rivalling it won't make Apple that much money.

thomasp: Look it's called the 'Big Apple' because it's big and Apple are making it. As for that other remark...shut up! (Pause, grumpily) They're making it on a shoestring, anyway.

Star Worms: It's quite cheap to build then?

thomasp: (sarcastic) No, it's actually being built out of tiny shoe-strings. (angrily) Of course it's cheap to build!

Star Worms: Why's that, then?

thomasp: (whispering confidentially) It's made of... *lasagne!*

Star Worms: (disturbed) I...see...

thomasp: Don't tell Stalin!

Star Worms: Stalin's...uh...dead.

thomasp: (calmly) Of course...(crazed) That's what they want you to think!

Canned Explosion Noises. Cuts to spare room which has been padded out to look like a dojo.

Dart: Now, you're all here to take part in my martial arts course. Does anyone know how to break a man's neck? (S-2k puts his hand up) Yes, S-2k?

S-2k: I would use the all-purpose neck breaking device supplied by my manufacturers.

Dart: Right. (Pause) That's not really martial arts though, is it?

S-2k: Um...no?

Dart: And why do you have a neck breaking device anyway?

S-2k: Research

Dart: What research?

S-2k: Neck breaking research.

Dart: Well, anyway, I'll show you a way that you can do it safely in just three easy steps. First...

Spadge: (walking in with a tray of tea and scones, interrupting) I made some tea and scones for you and your buddies, Dart.

Dart: (groaning) Spadge, you're embarrassing me in front of my friends!

Zero72: Uh, can I have a scone please, Mister Spadge, sir?

Spadge: Why of course you can, Zero. There's enough for everybody! (he hands Zero the tray)

Dart: (upset) I hate you! You're not my real father! You're always embarrassing me! You're so ann-oying! I'm going to my room! (she storms off)

Spadge: (to camera) Kids, eh? Can't live with em... can't have em sold on the black market.

Canned Seal Sounds. Cuts to cell.

Blinx: LEMME OUT! I'M INNOSENT!

Striker: He never listens.

Blinx: What are you in hare for?

Striker: Stealing a pineapple.

Blinx: (shouting) SO YURE THE ONE WHO STOLE MY PINEAPPLE!

Striker: No, I stole it from someone called Jim.

Blinx: Yipee! You didn't steal my Pinapple!

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KamikazeBananze: Keep it down in there! Some of us are trying to sleep!

Striker: (to Blinx) He sleeps in the prison

Blinx: I always said he was crazy!

Striker: No you didn't.

Blinx: Well, I ment to...

Cuts to Bar – table.

Paul.Power: This episode sucks!

thomasp: Huh?

Paul.Power: There doesn't seem to be any main story, it's just a lot of badly sewn together jokes.

thomasp: I agree. The first series was good but this one has been going gradually downhill.

Paul.Power: I don't think I'm going to stick this one out!

thomasp: Me neither, let's go.

They walk off, the camera shows that they were watching a television. On the television, "The Fish Files" is playing. Cuts to table.

Worm Mad: It was my birthday on Sunday.

wormsfreak: If I'd known, I would have baked you a cake.

FatWhitey: (walking past) Cake? Did someone say 'Cake'? (grabbing wormsfreak by the collar) I NEED CAKE!!!

Worm Mad: You're an addict aren't you?

FatWhitey: No, no, no. Yes. No. Are you? I mean, no. (Pause) Cake?

Men in white coats appear.

FatWhitey: Wh..wh..wh.. What? Who are they? Are they marzipan? I hate marzipan.

wormsfreak: They're going to take you to a place where they can deal with your *little problem*.

FatWhitey: What problem? I don't have any problem! You're the ones with the problem! Why are you looking at me like that? YOU'RE ALL CRAZY!

CRAAAAZY! (Long Pause) I want cake.

Vader: (walking past, to man in white coat) Tell Geoff that I said hi if you see him.

Men in white coats take FatWhitey away.

FatWhitey: (to men in white coats) Will there be cake?

Man in White Coat: Yeah, a sanity cake.

FatWhitey: Woo! Cake!

Cuts to room with desk and black background.

Test Zero: (cheesy grin) Well, we've learnt a lot today!

Miguel: Uh-huh. So what have we learnt then, TZ?

Test Zero: Well, we've learnt that (coughs loudly)

Miguel: What?

Test Zero: Uh....Cake is bad?

Miguel: Only in large amounts.

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Test Zero: Don't reveal that you're a criminal to the public?

Miguel: Let's face it, only an idiot would do that!

Blinx: (off-screen) Hey!

Test Zero: But most of all, never read a script by Worm Mad!

Miguel: You've been great folks, goodnight!

Fade to Black.

And that's a wrap!

Worm Mad: That's a wrap! Thanks Guys!

Zero72: No, thank you, Mad!

Worm Mad: No, thank you!

Zero72: Thank you!

Worm Mad: Thank YOU Damn it!

Zero72: Okay, okay. Thank me... jeeze.

Miguel: Ahhhhhhh!

Worm Mad: What?

Miguel: I ate my hat!

Worm Mad: And?

Miguel: And (Pause) if you don't buy me another one, I'll eat *you*!

Worm Mad: I always thought that donkeys were herbivores.

Miguel: Uh... we are. But if I eat your hand then I might develop a taste for meat...um...(Pause) Look, just buy me another hat or you'll never see me again, okay? (he leaves)

MtlAngelus: My trailer needs more tacos

Worm Mad: Mmmmmm, tacos. (Pause) What happened to the last crate of tacos I got you?

MtlAngelus: I ate them. Now I need more.

Worm Mad: Why?

MtlAngelus: If I don't eat at least a hundred tacos a day, I die.

Worm Mad: Oh... well, I'd better get you some then.

MtlAngelus: You sure better. (MtlAngelus leaves)

Paul.Power: I didn't make any potions in this episode, Worm Mad.

Worm Mad: I'm sorry.

Paul.Power: No you're not.

Worm Mad: Okay, I'm not.

Paul.Power: THEN WHY DID YOU SAY YOU WERE?

Worm Mad: Calm down! No need to speak in capitals!

Paul.Power: Paris. London.

Worm Mad: Don't worry, you'll make some more potions before the series is up.

Paul.Power: Amsterdam. (Pause) I mean, Thanks. (he leaves)

thomasp: So when do I get my money for the 'Big Apple' concept?

Worm Mad: Uh, that wasn't real, thomasp. It was just in the TV series.

thomasp: Huh?

Worm Mad: The TV series is fictional.

thomasp: TV series?

Worm Mad: That we're filming...

thomasp: So, it's not a documentary?

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Worm Mad: No.

thomasp: Oh, oh – yes – um –yeah – I uh, I knew that. Yeah. (he leaves)

Zero72: Well, shall we go?

Worm Mad: Yes, let's go.

They do not move.

Fade to black.