TITLE: 11:30 am

TITLE: On a Thursday

TITLE: Philadelphia, PA

Over titles, we hear:

DENNIS (V.O.) It's never gonna work.

CHARLIE (V.O.) Have you tried?

DENNIS (V.O.) No one's ever tried!

INT. PADDY'S PUB - DAY

CHARLIE and MAC sit in front of a standing DENNIS. Beside him on an easel is a giant notepad with "IDEAS?" written on it.

CHARLIE Let's ask Frank. Hey Frank!

FRANK stumbles out of the office in his underwear holding a slice of pizza.

FRANK Make it quick. Judge Judy was about to kiss the defendant.

MAC There's no way Judge Judy would kiss a defendant.

FRANK I don't know. The sexual tension was so hot, I had to take off my-

DENNIS Frank, we're at an impasse here.

CHARLIE Should we or should we not get an Air Bud for the bar?

FRANK What do you mean "get an Air Bud?"

DENNIS He means get a dog and teach it to be a bartender. CHARLIE Not just a dog, a Golden Retriever. They're the only ones who can learn stuff.

DENNIS

They're not... Even if you could teach a dog to bartend, it can't physically pick up anything.

FRANK

I'm not ready to buy an Air Bud, but I think it'd be a great idea to get some dogs for the bar.

MAC Oh yeah. We could do some emotional support shit.

FRANK No! None of that pussy crap. I'm talking about bringing back Dog Fight Thursdays.

GANG Oh yeah./I miss that./Why'd we stop?

DEE screams from outside in the alley. She runs in.

DEE Help! This fucking monster just crawled out of the sewer!

Following her is the Pokémon SQUIRTLE, fully in real life.

SQUIRTLE

Squirtle!

MAC Ah!!! Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle! Give it what it wants!

Mac grabs Frank's pizza and throws it at Squirtle. It reacts with a Water Gun attack, blasting the sopping wet slice across the room. It is caught by a pair of vines, extending from the body of a BULBASAUR.

BULBASAUR

Bulbasaur!

Everyone screams and backs toward a corner.

CHARMANDER (O.S.) PIKACHU (O.S.) Char, char! Pikachu! They turn around to see CHARMANDER and PIKACHU looking up at them with adorable eyes. DENNIS Wait a minute. Oh my God! These are... Oh, what are those tiny weird things from Japan? CHARLIE FRANK Japanese people! Japanese people! DENNIS No. MAC Oh! Pokémon! DENNIS Yes! They're like small super powered fighting machines! DEE Oh yeah, those little fuckers from the trading cards. MAC Well, there's actually a lot of media that they're from such as video games and anime, but yeah. FRANK Hold on. We just discovered powerful creatures thought to be merely the figments of imagination. Do you know what this means? Beat. Then they all realize with certainty. GANG Dog Fight Thursday! CUT TO: MAIN TITLES

TITLE: "THE GANG'S GOTTA CATCH 'EM ALL"

TITLE: "IT'S ALWAYS SUNNY IN PHILADELPHIA"

FADE IN:

INT. PADDY'S PUB - DAY

The gang clears furniture. Frank barks orders.

FRANK

We're gonna need to upgrade this place to dog fight standards. Dennis, get the metal cage from the back room.

DENNIS

Frank, if we want to get Pokémon fans in addition to your run-of-themill dog fighting enthusiasts, I think we need a battle ring on theme for Pokémon.

FRANK

Right. Mac, I've got every game in my bedroom. Go play as much as you can and design something off that.

MAC

Why do you have every Pokémon game?

FRANK

I used to do business with Nintendo, and those game freaks would trade early copies for hardcore cocaine.

MAC

Got it.

Mac heads out.

FRANK Put on the TV show in the background to really soak it up! I got VHS and DVD! (To Dee) Dee, take the little piss rat and start building word of mouth.

DEE Which one's the piss rat?

PIKACHU (O.S.)

Pika!

Pikachu jumps onto her shoulder. She screams.

DEE Shit! Alright, let's go, Pissy. They leave out the front door.

FRANK Dennis, I need you and Charlie to teach these little abominations how to fight.

DENNIS

We don't need to teach them. They're Pokémon. They are literally made to fight.

FRANK Yeah, but I'm getting a little fruity vibe from them.

They watch Charmander and Squirtle chase each other, laughing and having fun.

DENNIS You're right. Come on, Charlie. Let's whip these kids into shape.

CHARLIE What're you gonna do, Frank?

FRANK If we're relighting the Dog Fight Thursday torch, we'll need better grub than stale chips we stole from an overturned truck. I'm going to my wet market guy.

Frank scurries to the front door.

FRANK (CONT'D) Don't be afraid to roid them out.

He leaves.

Charlie and Dennis turn to the Pokémon.

DENNIS Alright you maggots! Fight!

Nothing happens.

DENNIS (CONT'D) Charlie, we have to show them. Punch my shoulder.

Charlie takes a fighting stance and lightly punches Dennis's shoulder.

DENNIS (CONT'D) Good. (To Pokemon) And when he does that, I do this.

Dennis demolishes Charlie's jaw. He hits the floor.

CHARLIE What the hell, man!

DENNIS You see? Now, do battle!

Charmander and Squirtle look at each other, then back to the humans. Nothing happens.

DENNIS (CONT'D) Come on, devil spawns! Your tail is literally on fire. Do something with it!

Charmander looks at its on-fire tail. It casually approaches a wooden chair and sets it ablaze.

DENNIS (CONT'D) No! Don't destroy our property!

As Dennis works to contain the flames, Charlie rubs his bruised cheek. A rag wrapped around ice touches his face. Charlie sees Bulbasaur is using its vines to help him.

> CHARLIE Thanks lil man. What's your name?

> > BULBASAUR

Bulbasaur!

CHARLIE Sorry, I don't speak Japanese. I'll just call you Bulby.

Charlie takes the ice rag.

CHARLIE (CONT'D) Hey Bulby, can you-

Bulbasaur vines Charlie a beer and cracks it open. Bulbasaur opens one for itself.

CHARLIE (CONT'D)

Cheers.

They clink bottles. Dennis cocks Squirtle like a gun, and it shoots a water blast to put out the fire.

EXT. PHILADELPHIA STREETS - DAY

Dee and Pikachu walk down the street. PASSERSBY are horrified.

PASSERBY 1 Oh God, what is that?!

PASSERBY 2 Someone call animal control!

DEE No, don't worry. It's with me. Right, Pissy?

PIKACHU

Pika!

DEE Besides, we don't need them. They're not dog fight material.

They pass a fire station. A couple of insanely hot FIREMEN stand around a truck.

DEE (CONT'D) Hey there, fellas.

FIREMAN 1 Yo, shit, what kind of dog is that?

FIREMAN 2 No way. Is that a freakin' Pikachu?

DEE Huh, wouldn't have pegged firemen to be Pokémon fans. You're a lot less hot now.

FIREMAN 1 No way! It's actually real!

FIREMAN 2 Can I pet it?

DEE You sure can. In fact, if you want to see Pissy here in action, come on down to Paddy's Pub at 8.

They are in no way paying attention to Dee. They are mesmerized petting Pikachu.

FIREMAN 2 This is so cool. What other Pokémon do you have? FIREMAN 1 You got a Geodude? FIREMAN 2 Magikarp? FIREMAN 1 Yo! I love that dumbass fish! DEE Um, well, we have a mutant turtle. FIREMAN 2 Chewtle?! FIREMAN 1 Torkoal?! FIREMAN 2 Turtonator?! FIREMAN 1 Carracosta?! DEE Sure. FIREMAN 1 Whoa! Do you have any legendaries? FIREMAN 2 An Articuno would be dope! FIREMAN 1 But you know who'd be the best? FIREMAN 1 (CONT'D) FIREMAN 2 Mewtwo! Mewtwo! The GOAT! DEE Wow, I've never been drier. Alright losers, if you want to jerk off our little monsters, get to Paddy's at 8. Come on, Pissy. Dee walks away. Pikachu follows. The Firemen dramatically reach out to Pikachu.

> FIREMAN 2 Pikachu! Come back!

INT. PADDY'S PUB - AFTERNOON

Frank comes in, struggling with three huge plastic bags.

FRANK I don't know exactly what nerds and deviants are eating for hors d'oeuvres these days, but-

He suddenly sees that the back half of the bar has been cleared for a beautifully crafted over-glorified sumo ring. The floor is painted with boundary lines and decorated with Pokéball outlines; the wall is adorned with immaculate portraits of various Pokémon: Onix, Zapdos, Magikarp, etc; torches with flames representing the Pokémon types light the arena. Mac is placing podiums at each end of the ring.

FRANK (CONT'D) What the hell is this?

MAC

You like it? I was worried it might lean a little too Gen 1 heavy, but there wasn't time to get to Scarlet and Violet, so I thought nostalgia is king these days.

FRANK

Mac, it's okay to be gay, but it's not okay to be a gay nine-year-old. What's with the podiums?

MAC

Well, the Pokémon trainers have to stand somewhere.

FRANK

There are no trainers! They're just dogs, and they fight. How are we supposed to keep them contained? The boundaries are just paint on the ground.

MAC

Frank, Pokémon know how to control their powers. We don't need to cage them. They're our best friends.

FRANK

They just appeared in our back alley six hours ago! Where are the little fuckers? Shirtless and sweaty Dennis busts in from the alley followed by CHARMELEON and WARTORTLE. The Pokémon high five.

DENNIS Woo! Look what the cat dragged in. Oh, sweet design, Mac.

FRANK Where'd the tiny monsters go?

DENNIS

Right here. We were climbing the Rocky stairs, and all of a sudden they started glowing and grew into these big badass boys.

Charmeleon and Wartortle headbutt like football players.

MAC

They evolved!

FRANK Charles Darwin's dick! These things can evolve?

MAC Frank, you have all the games.

FRANK

I've never played. I was just holding onto them until they became prohibitively valuable.

DENNIS

And the best part is, I didn't even have to give them the steroids I bought.

Charlie and Bulbasaur enter hand-in-vine.

FRANK

Alright, let's see if these guys are up to snuff. Dennis, put the red dinosaur in the ring. Charlie, get your green dinosaur in there.

CHARLIE So yeah, Bulby and I were talking. We don't want him to fight.

DENNIS

Charlie, first of all, you two were not talking to each other.

Yes we were. I speak Japanese now.

BULBASAUR

Bulbasaur!

DENNIS

That's not Japanese; that's just its name. Secondly, I did not spend the entire day getting these two in peak physical condition just for you wimp out.

CHARLIE

Look, you've got those two beef heads and Dee's piss rat. You don't need Bulby.

FRANK

I'm trying to run an above-board dog fighting ring here, Charlie. No one wants just three dogs to bet on over and over. They need variety.

CHARLIE But I know Bulby doesn't want to.

MAC Dude, Pokémon love to fight. It's fun for them.

CHARLIE Bulby, do you actually want to fight?

BULBASAUR Bulbasaur. Bulba, Bulbasaur.

Subtitles read: "I thought coming to your world meant my violent past was behind me. But if it is the only way to acquiesce your family, I will step into the ring once more."

CHARLIE

Okay.

EXT. PHILADELPHIA STREETS - AFTERNOON

Down the street from the bar, Dee walks back. Pikachu leaps onto her shoulder. She screams.

DEE Shitfuck! Man, Pissy, you're gonna need to cool it with theHer phone makes a depressing sound.

DEE (CONT'D) Dammit! I'm almost out of power.

Pikachu takes her phone.

DEE (CONT'D) Pissy! I swear to God!

Pikachu produces a tiny electrical charge from its cheeks and zaps her phone back to full power.

DEE (CONT'D) What?! No way. Alright, Pissy, I see your value now.

Suddenly, she bumps into attractive nerd DAVID COHEN.

DAVID COHEN Oh my gosh. I'm so sorry. I-(Spots Pikachu) Holy crap... Is that... Is that a real Pikachu?!

DEE Wow, do only hot people like Pokémon these days?

DAVID COHEN The most beautiful creature on the shoulder of a beautiful woman. Would you maybe want to come back to my place and see my Pokémon card collection?

DEE (Flattered) We would love to.

David Cohen starts off. Dee holds up a fist, which a happy Pikachu promptly bumps in return.

> DEE (CONT'D) Little wingman!

INT. PADDY'S PUB - AFTERNOON

Charlie and Bulbasaur stand on one side, Dennis and Charmeleon on the other. Frank referees.

FRANK Doooooog fiiiiight!

DENNIS

Fire mouth!

Bulbasaur sends a series of sharp forceful leaves from its body. Charmeleon breathes fire, turning the leaves to dust. Bulbasaur jumps out of the way of continuing fire.

CHARLIE

Bulby, use your vines to throw him!

Bulbasaur's vines extend toward Charmeleon, but it cartwheels away.

DENNIS Great use of gymnastics.

Dee, Pikachu, and David Cohen enter.

DEE

Hey guys, this is David Cohen. We just boned. Also, he was a Pokémon trading card champion in 2011.

DAVID COHEN Holy crap! A real live Pokémon bat-

CHARLIE

Do the cutty leaves again!

Bulbasaur sends out more leaves. Charmeleon cartwheels away again. The leaves don't stop until they hit David Cohen.

DAVID COHEN

Ahhhhhhh!

GANG

0oh...

INT. PADDY'S PUB - NIGHT

The bar is hopping like never before. Gamers/nerds commingle with seedy ruffians looking to win big money. With Pikachu on her shoulder, Dee is swarmed by FANS.

> DEE Alright, that's enough virgins. Pissy, hit 'em with a Thundersmash.

Pikachu fires off a tiny lightning bolt, backing the fans up.

FAN 1 I just came a little. Did you cum?

FAN 2 I definitely came.

Mac comes up as they leave.

MAC I can't believe it. We've made more money tonight than the last month.

DEE I can believe it. These guys are willing to spend their last dimes on illegal gambling and Funko Pops.

CRASH! Everyone turns to the back office. Dennis comes out.

DENNIS Nothing to worry about, folks. Our little scrappers are just getting into dog fighting shape back there.

The crowd settles and resumes talking amongst themselves. Dennis makes his way to Mac and Dee.

DENNIS (CONT'D) Guys, come with me. There's a lot to worry about.

INT. BACK OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Dennis leads Mac and Dee in, where Charmeleon and Wartortle are going absolutely ballistic. They're running around, punching walls, smashing stuff, etc. Wartortle shoots bursts of water at Charmeleon's on-fire tail.

> MAC What the hell is- Whoa! Watch it Wartortle! If you put out the flame on Charmeleon's tail, it dies.

> DENNIS Jesus, what a terrible design flaw.

> DEE (Clutching Pikachu tight) Is Pissy gonna get aggro like that?

DENNIS No. I may have lied when I said they evolved all on their own. DEE What does that mean?

DENNIS I may have roided them out after all.

Dee spots the steroid needle and swipes it.

DEE You will not do that to my Pissy!

DENNIS I don't want to anymore.

MAC You have broken the sacred bond between Pokémon and trainer.

Mac takes the needle and smashes it on the ground. Charmeleon and Wartortle cheer and smash stuff in response.

DENNIS There is no sacred bond because these are inter-dimensional creatures bred to fight. How do I contain them?

MAC You gotta put them back in their Pokéball.

DENNIS

What the hell is that? Can you give me a real world solution because I'm close to taking Frank's gun and-

A knock at the door. Charlie peeks his head through.

CHARLIE

Hey guys, I wanted to talk to you about tonight. I was kind of hoping maybe Bulby didn't have to fight.

DENNIS

I thought we talked this out with Bulby. He wants to fight, remember?

CHARLIE Yeah, but now he's feeling real guilty after what happened to David Cohen. So since we have three oth-

CRASH! Charlie pushes his way in and clocks the chaos.

CHARLIE (CONT'D) Okay, see, this is exactly the kind of behavior I don't want Bulby emulating. Bulby, can you stop your friends?

Bulbasaur comes in and restrains Charmeleon and Wartortle with its vines.

CHARLIE (CONT'D) Thank you. I just feel like we can't expose young people to this kind of violence.

DENNIS What young people, Charlie? It's just degenerates and nerds out there.

CHARLIE I'm just saying. I think we should consider cancelling.

FRANK (0.S.) Cancelling?!

Frank has come in, carrying a tray of sushi.

FRANK (CONT'D) Do you see the packed house we have? I've been dreaming of Dog Fight Thursday ever since The Humane Society shut it down. Plus, I made fancy ass sushi. Try it.

Everyone tries a piece.

GANG Oh my god./This is incredible./Holy shit./Frank, you made this?

FRANK Sure did. Brought to you by your friends at the wet market.

MAC Where did you learn how to make sushi?

FRANK

On all those trips to Japan, I'd stop by my favorite spot, and the chef would trade lessons for some North American goodies. (MORE)

FRANK (CONT'D)

Turns out Jiro doesn't just dream of sushi but also cocaine. Let the little demons have a taste.

Bulbasaur apprehensively releases Charmeleon and Wartortle. The four Pokémon grab a piece of sushi and eat. They exclaim their names excitedly. Charmeleon and Wartortle reach for more, but Frank takes the tray away.

FRANK (CONT'D) Hey! I need these to feed your adoring fans!

They keep reaching. Pikachu and Bulbasaur attempt to hold them back. Wartortle angrily hoists Pikachu in the air and suplexes it. Pikachu lays motionless on the ground.

DEE

Pissy!

Dee goes to check its pulse. She bursts into tears.

DEE (CONT'D) He's dead! That fucking devil turtle killed Pissy!

CHARLIE See, this is what I was talking about. Violence only begets more violence.

MAC Jesus. This is not what I signed up for. Pokémon are our best friends. I think we need to cancel.

DENNIS We can't cancel! FRANK We can't cancel!

MAC

Guys, Dee is in mourning, and Charlie's a pacifist now. Let's just tell the losers that we're postponing, and we'll get regular dogs for next Thursday.

CHARLIE Yeah, I'm fine killing normal dogs.

DENNIS We don't have until next Thursday!

MAC What do you mean?

FRANK

It turns out that frequent trips to Japan and smuggling enough coke to satiate Japanese businessmen is more expensive than I thought.

DENNIS

The account Frank uses to fund this place is nearly empty. We'll lose Paddy's if we don't make enough money tonight.

MAC

Oh shit.

CHARLIE

(Sighs, to Bulbasaur) Bulby, do you think you could put your morals on hold just a little longer.

BULBASAUR Bulba, Bulbasaur, Saur.

Subtitles: "For you are my only friend in this godforsaken world, Charlie, I shall oblige. But may my hands never stain themselves with the blood of my kin from this day hence."

DENNIS

I'm taking that as a yes. Dee, I know you're sad, but can you please parade that little rat corpse around like he's still among us?

Dee nods. She cries and picks up Pikachu's body as she goes.

CHARLIE Come on, Bulby. Let's meditate.

Charlie leads Bulbasaur out.

MAC I'll get the crowd ready for a fight then. May I?

Mac gestures to the sushi tray.

FRANK Take it. Feed those sorry souls.

Mac leaves with the sushi.

When the door closes, Frank and Dennis sigh in relief.

DENNIS You got the backup needle?

Frank brandishes a fresh syringe. Dennis takes it and fills his Pokémon with steroids.

INT. PADDY'S PUB - LATER

Mac hosts a trivia game that the nerds are enjoying but the gamblers are not.

MAC Alright, question twenty: In *Pokémon The First Movie*, what does Team Rocket misidentify the silhouette of Scyther as?

FAN 1 Ooh! Alakazam!

MAC Ding ding ding!

GAMBLER 1 Come on! When's the dog fight?

MAC Soon enough. I've just got eleven, maybe twelve more questions to go.

Across the bar, Dee is exhausted from crying, still mourning Pikachu. She pets it, trying to pretend it's alive.

DEE (Overwhelmingly sad) Good Pissy... Wow, so soft and so breathing.

The Firemen spot Dee and Pikachu. Dee covers her sadness.

FIREMAN 1 Yo! Pika-lady!

DEE Oh! Hot firemen. What's up?

FIREMAN 2 I noticed your fire extinguisher expired twenty years ago, so I brought you the spare I keep in my car.

He pulls out a fire extinguisher.

DEE (Back to Pikachu) That's nice. But I'd rather just burn to death... FIREMAN 2 What was that? DEE Nothing! Look, Pissy's kind of tired. You can see that he's sleeping. FIREMAN 2

Of course.

FIREMAN 1 I can tell because his eyes are closed.

DEE Yeah, so I'm gonna put him down for a nap. You guys enjoy this probably illegal sushi.

Dee pushes the sushi tray towards them and heads for the back office. But the lights dim before she can leave. Roving spotlights illuminate sections of the bar.

FRANK (O.S.) Geeks and delinquents, I hope you're ready for the return of Paddy's Pub's one and only... DOG! FIGHT! THURSDAYYYYY!

The crowd cheers. Frank takes center stage.

FRANK (CONT'D) In this corner, he may act all peaceful, but his leaves can cut through bone. Trust me, I've seen it. Give it up for Bulbasaur!!!

Lights go up on Charlie and Bulbasaur, sitting in meditative poses. They slowly rise to their feet.

FRANK (CONT'D) And in this corner...

Lights reveal the other side to be empty. Everyone looks around like "Is something supposed to happen?"

FRANK (CONT'D) Where the hell are they? Dennis! CRASH! The newly evolved CHARIZARD and BLASTOISE burst through the back office door and charge to the arena. Dennis stumbles in.

FRANK (CONT'D) What the fuck is this?

DENNIS

They glowed, Frank! They glowed!

FRANK ... And in this corner. Two absolute units!

Charizard and Blastoise take their places across from Bulbasaur.

CHARLIE Whoa, whoa, whoa. Two against one? That's not fair.

FRANK All's fair in love and dog fights.

MAC Is this even really a dog fight anymore though? Feels like a real Pokémon battle to me.

DENNIS Those are the exact same thing, Mac!

CHARLIE Come on. Can't Bulby get a little help here?

PIKACHU (O.S.)

Pika!

Out of the shadows, Pikachu joins Bulbasaur's side. Everyone goes wild. Dee looks at her empty arms. A huge grin is plastered on her face.

> DEE Ah! Pissy's alive! I thought he died, but he just fainted!

The Pokémon stare each other down. Frank takes folks' money.

FRANK Twenty to one on the little piss rat. Fifty cents on the dollar for the unholy behemoths. FRANK (CONT'D) No! I'm not done collecting your blood money yet!

Bulbasaur barely restrains Charizard with its vines, while Pikachu jumps out of the way of Blastoise, who barrels across the bar, nearly trampling some people, before crashing into the wall and destroying so much property.

> DENNIS Oh, I immediately understand why this was a monumentally stupid idea.

Blastoise turns back to Pikachu and aims the water canons inside its shell. It fires two powerful blasts of water, but Pikachu dodges again, and they hit the two Fans. They are thrown against the wall, soaked.

> FAN 2 I just came a little. Did you cum?

FAN 1 I definitely came.

DEE Pissy! Get him!

Pikachu launches a huge lightning blast from its cheeks onto Blastoise. It has a real seizure before falling to the floor.

> DEE (CONT'D) Don't worry. Pokémon don't die. They just faint.

Frank subtly makes his way to Blastoise and checks its pulse.

FRANK

I think he's actually dead...

Seeing its fallen comrade, Charizard goes berserk, trying to wretch itself from the vines. As it thrashes, its on-fire tail smashes stuff and sets some tables and chairs ablaze. The Firemen, mouths full of sushi, jump into action.

> FIREMAN 1 Oh shit! You got that fire extinguisher?

> > FIREMAN 2

Always.

MAC Wait no! Don't get so close to Charizard's tail!

But it's too late. They extinguish all the open flames in the place, including Charizard's life source. The fire dragon clutches its chest and collapses to the ground, lifeless.

DENNIS Dammit! You killed another one of our dogs!

FIREMAN 1

Oh no...

FIREMAN 2 Dear God! What have we done?

FRANK Hey, fellas. It's alright. Who among us hasn't killed the occasional animal in the heat of passion? Take a seat. Eat some more

sushi. You guys love the sushi.

Fireman 1 turns to go back to his seat, but he trips over a trashcan, knocking it over and spilling its contents. Frank's wet market plastic bags open up revealing three skeletons attached to the heads of the fish Pokémon Magikarp.

FIREMAN 1 What the fuck?!

FIREMAN 2 Have we been eating Magikarp this whole time?!

FRANK Is that another one of those Pocket Monsters? I just thought it was a gay fish.

The Firemen run out of the bar gagging. The rest of the crowd is either sad, disgusted, or bored, so they all leave.

The gang, Bulbasaur, and Pikachu survey the carnage. The bar is destroyed, and there are two corpses on the floor.

> DENNIS Frank, how much did we make?

FRANK

More than I expected, but between damages to the bar that we cannot report on any insurance claims and the hefty legal fees we're in for, I'd say we're coming up about even.

DENNIS

Goddammit!

MAC

Money... You lost two brave souls -two souls that were bonded to you, that trusted you -- and all you can think about is money. And you call yourself a Pokémon trainer?

DENNIS

I don't! You seem to call me that though!

DEE

I guess Pokémon aren't meant to fight. Not like this.

DENNIS

They LITERALLY exist to fight! We just made the mistake of having them fight in a small space while overflowing with steroids.

CHARLIE

I guess we'll have to give up the bar and maybe do seven to fourteen years in the slammer.

FRANK Where'd you get those numbers?

CHARLIE

You can get up to seven years for each count of animal abuse that ends in death. Don't ask how I know that offhand.

Bulbasaur looks at Charlie, wanting to help. Then it looks at its fallen friends. Then it turns to the Magikarp skeletons. Suddenly, it sparks an idea.

BULBASAUR

Bulbasaur!

Subtitles: "Charlie!"

Charlie looks over. Bulbasaur uses its vines to beckon him. Bulbasaur whispers in Charlie's ear.

> CHARLIE Oh my God! That's brilliant!

Everyone turns to Charlie's commotion.

CHARLIE (CONT'D) Guys! Bulby figured out how we can save the bar!

INT. PADDY'S PUB - LATER

The entire bar is covered in plastic wrap. The dead Pokémon are in the middle of the room. Charlie and Bulbasaur look like Dexter the serial killer. Frank, Dennis, Mac, and Dee stand far away -- also dressed like Dexter.

> FRANK That little weed dinosaur is a genius. We'll easily clear six figures in rare meat at the wet market.

DENNIS Alright, Charlie. Start hacking.

MAC Wait! Can I do something that I think they would have liked?

Mac pulls out a boombox and presses play. A slow acoustic version of the Pokémon theme song plays.

MAC (CONT'D) (Near tears) Alright Charlie. Start hacking.

CHARLIE Bulby, cutty leaf?

Bulbasaur hands Charlie one of its leaves. It puts its vines together in prayer position.

BULBASAUR Bulbasaur. Bulb, bulbasaur.

Subtitles: "Lord, forgive me for my sins. I pray to atone for my actions on this day for the rest of my life."

Pikachu (also dressed like Dexter) comes over and puts a hand on Bulbasaur's shoulder.

PIKACHU Pi, Pikachu. Pika, Pikachu.

Subtitles: "Don't worry, brother. After this, we shall explore this vast new world and experience its splendors and horrors in equal measure." Pikachu turns to Dee.

PIKACHU (CONT'D)

Pikachu.

Subtitles: "Goodbye, Sweet Dee. I shall cherish our brief but meaningful intertwining of destinies."

DEE (Crying) And I you, my little Pissy.

CHARLIE You ready, Bulby?

BULBASAUR

Bulbasaur.

Charlie and Bulbasaur dig into the Pokémon carcasses.

Just then, David Cohen - arms fully covered in casts - rushes in the front door.

DAVID COHEN Sorry I'm late! I hope I didn't miss the Pok-

He stops, witnessing the bloody carnage that we don't see.

CHARLIE (O.S.) Oh man, this shell is tough.

BULBASAUR (O.S.) Bulbasaur!

FRANK (O.S.) Hey, do you think the scrap yard will take a couple cannons like those?

DENNIS (O.S.) Only one way to find out. Pull!

The gruesome noises overwhelm David Cohen. He faints.

END OF SHOW