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JERRY:

You know, I think I know why they were after me. I think this is what has been causing the problem. This is my third issue this year. "Conspiracy Theory". I do conspiracy theories. This is my newsletter. Maybe it's got them scared. You know, I must have hit a nerve with one of them articles in there. They are pretty pissed off about something and that's...

ALICE:

"The Space Shuttle Seismic Secret"? "The Oliver Stone / George Bush Connection"?

JERRY:

Oh, yeah, sure. I mean, like, he's their spokesman.

ALICE:

Really?

JERRY:

Yeah. I mean, do you think that if anyone had the information that he's got and had a national podium to shout it from, you think they'd actually let him do it? No, it's actually quite clear that he's a disinformation junkie for them. The fact that he's still alive says it all. I mean, he probably should be dead but he's not.

ALICE:

Can you prove any of this?

JERRY:

No. Absolutely not. A good conspiracy theory is an unproveable one. If you can prove it, I mean, "they" must have screwed up somewhere along the line and if that's the case then, well...

ALICE:

"They"?

JERRY:

"They"! You know, "they"!

ALICE:

"They" who?

JERRY:

"They". I don't know... that's why they call them "they"and, ah, "them".

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ALICE:

And where does Jonas fit in?

JERRY:

Oh, he's one of "they". He's one of "them". He's "them". For sure.

ALICE:

"They"? "Them"?

JERRY:

"Them".

ALICE:

I suppose they have a secret handshake.

JERRY:

How would I know. I'm not one of them. I'm just... me. I'm, you know.

ALICE:

How many subscribers do you have for your newsletter?

JERRY:

Ummm. Let's see aaaah oh.... ah, five. I think it's probably got something to do with the economy, ya know. You think one of them is not who they said?

You think it might be one of "they"?

That could be... Oh, of course!

ALICE:

Do you have a list?

JERRY:

Huh?

ALICE:

A subscriber's list?

JERRY:

Oh, yeah. Sure. I got it here somewhere. I thought you meant some other kind of list.

ALICE:

Are you a big Holden Caulfield fan?

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JERRY:

No. Not really.

ALICE:

You just like the story? Catcher In The Rye?

JERRY:

Not especially, no.

ALICE:

Well, Jerry, you've got a dozen copies right here on your shelf.

JERRY:

I know. I know I have. There's more of them in this box and some more under the bed, too. I don't know why, why, wh-why but whenever I see one I have to buy it ... and if I don't see one, well then, I have to find one to buy it so that I feel normal. I - I don't know why. Did you ever read it?

ALICE:

Um, yeah. You read this in school.

JERRY:

Nobody ever gave it to me to read in school. That's when they start, when you're young you know. When you're little, at school, they Baden Powell all the boys and Betty Crocker all the girls. Then they air condition you and put you in an Easy Bake oven and you... you can't breath anymore. Oh, jeez, you must think I'm crazy.

ALICE:

No, I don't, Jerry.

JERRY:

Yeah. oh, yeah... you do.