

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT MARY 4-1 (LB)

JOHN

Hey thanks for pickin' me up man.

TED

Yeah no problem I've been driving for 15 hours straight so I could use the company.

JOHN

I know what you mean. I've been standing in the same spot for 5 1/2 hours. You know they've made it illegal to hitch hike in this state.

TED

Really? That must make it very tough.

JOHN

So ah what's going on with you, are you a salesman?

TED

No, no, I'm ah... I'm uh... nothing.

JOHN

I am.

TED

Yeah.

JOHN

I'm a salesman. I'm going to start my own company, do you want in?

TED

Uh...I uh....nah... I don't really have any money.

JOHN

Have you heard of this thing the 8 minute abs?

TED

Yeah, sure 8 minute abs, yeah, the exercise video.

JOHN

Well this is going to blow that right out of the water - 7 minute abs.

TED

Right, yes all right. O.K. I see where you're going.

JOHN

Think about it, you walk into a video store, you see 8 minute abs on the shelf and there right beside it is 7 minute abs sitting there, which one are you going to pick man?

TED

I would go for the 7, yeah.

JOHN

Bingo man, bingo, 7 minute abs and we guarantee just as good of work out as the eight minute folk.

TED

You guarantee it, that's great, uh how do you guarantee it?

JOHN

If you're not happy with the first 7 minutes we'll send you the extra minute free, see that's it, that's our motto, that's where we're coming from. That's from "A" to "B".

TED

That's good, yeah that's good, unless of course... somebody comes up with the six minute abs, then you're in trouble, huh?

JOHN

(pause) No! not six, I said seven, no one is going to come up with six, nobody works out in six minutes, you can't even get your heart going, not even a mouse on a wheel.

TED

Yeah, yeah good point.

JOHN

7 is the key number here, think about 7-Eleven's, 7 dwarfs.

TED

Yeah.

JOHN

7 man, that's the number, 7 chipmunks twirling on a branch, eating lots of sunflowers on my uncles ranch, you know that old children's tale from the sea?

TED

Yeah.

JOHN

It's like you're dreaming about Gorgonzola cheese when it's clearly Brie time baby, step into my office.

TED

Why?

JOHN

'Cause you're fuckin' fired.

TED

Yeah, you know what I've gotta pee, so I'm going to pull over.

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JOHN

You know your car seats are making me itchy man  
what are they made out of? Cactus?

TED

I'll be back.

JOHN

I'm only waiting 7 minutes...total.