

BROCK

Well, I've been focused a lot on my breeding...

FANCY SUIT GUY

Oh yes. We're quite aware of your feats in this... "breeding". Joy?

A NURSE JOY walks out of a door, with a daughter. The daughter eerily resembles Brock. Squinty eyes and all. It's like someone PHOTOSHOPPED Brock's face onto hers...

Brock squirms in his chair uncomfortably.

BROCK

Oh... *About that...*

NURSE JOY

You can't deny it, Brock! She has your eyes!

FANCY SUIT GUY

You say you want to be a 'Pokémon Breeder'? What is the job description for that, anyway?

BROCK

Well, you see, when me and Joy are ready to start the breeding process, I let out my Onix. It's kind of a really rough version of role-playing, you just...

FANCY SUIT GUY

(interjecting)

I think I heard enough.

(beat)

Improve your team or else.

He smacks down a MALLET, acting as the transition back to...

EXT. CERULEAN CITY - DAY

BROCK

...So I had to do some training.

ON Hareta's horrified face, confused by the story.

HARETA

So wait... you did *what with your Onix??*

EXT. ROUTE 10 - DAY

CUE --- "SURF THEME" from Pokémon GOLD & SILVER: We're on a ROUTE made up mostly by water. Swimmers stay close to the shore, while a DEWGONG, a large white seel rides along the wave, carries HILBERT, IRIS, HARETA & CAL through the deeper parts. MISTY and BROCK ride along the back of a SEADRA, a fearsomely-large seahorse, next to them.

They shout back and forth between Pokémon ---

IRIS
Thanks for the ride, Misty.

MISTY
Yeah. So talk, chick.

This girl's adamant and Iris doesn't like it--

IRIS
You'll see when we get there.

HILBERT
So wait, we do have a plan?

Iris glares at him.

MISTY
When your own boyfriend doesn't even know if you've got a plan, you know something's wrong--

IRIS
I KNOW what I'm doing and--

IRIS (CONT'D)	HILBERT
--He's NOT my boyfriend!	She's NOT my girlfriend.

MISTY
Cute.

As Iris and Hilbert shoot Misty daggers, Brock stands up and gains their attention with a booming:

BROCK
We're here.

The shore is reachable, though a shimmering yellow forcefield powered by a single MAGNETON blocks the way into the enormous industrial building known as the POWER PLANT.

EXT. POWER PLANT - DAY

Misty's Seadra and Dewgong reach land. Hareta's the first one off the seel's back, running toward the forcefield excitedly--

HARETA
Ooh, shiny!!

BROCK
Hey, wait, don't touch--

Hareta full-on tackles the forcefield. Hareta is SHOCKED instantly, his body writhing in colorful blasts. When the shocking stops, Hareta hangs in midair for just a moment before hitting the ground with a thud.

CAL
...Too late.

Hilbert helps him on his feet.

HILBERT
You okay kid?

Hareta nods. Shakes his head violently, letting his mess of hair flop around, like a wet dog. He gives puppy-dog eyes too and curls his lips to make a sad face.

HARETA
That shiny stuff *hurts*.

Brock points up to the Magnetron.

BROCK
That Magnetron's blocking it. It's supercharged with those wires hanging down from it. We've tried defeating it with no success...

HILBERT
We gotta cut the wires...

BROCK
It's no easy task when your Pokémon are trying to fight the Magnetron. It can't do two things at once.

HARETA
You can't leave everything up to your Pokémon! Sometimes you've gotta do some of the dirty work yourself!

Hareta goes to run for the Magneton, kicking off his shoes.

HARETA (CONT'D)
Hey, hey you!!

MISTY
What an idiot!

BROCK
No, he actually has the right
idea...

Magneton's attention turns to Hareta and Hareta receives an instant SHOCK, zapping his body. Then, Hilbert throws a Poké Ball and lets out CHARMANDER. Iris lets out her AXEW.

They go for the wires attached to Magneton's body. They can't quite reach them -- until Charmander begins to GLOW in a brilliant white light and EVOLVES into a CHARMELEON.

HILBERT
Holy crap. Yeah!! Haha!

Charmeleon picks up Axew and throws the rock-hard lizard into the air with a powerful SEISMIC TOSS. It begins to spin like a drill, and becomes a giant wrecking ball that slams into the back of Magneton -- separating the wires from its back.

Iris runs forward, and helps Hareta on his feet. The pair receive a shock from Magneton. Hilbert runs toward the Magneton to distract it from attacking them.

HILBERT (CONT'D)
Hey! Hey, you!!

The Magneton turns its attention to Hilbert and sparks -- releasing a Discharge of electric energy that wraps around Hilbert, shocking him.

Hareta moves for the panel. Flips the switch, it gives a zap but nothing major. He jumps back as the forcefield goes down. Magneton continues to zap Hilbert at least three more times, we can see the flashing and hear him screaming off-screen. Hareta sends out his CROAGUNK.

Magneton blasts a Thunderbolt, zapping Croagunk. The frog rushes forward and Hareta looks confused.

HARETA
Oh no, Croagunk got hit.

CAL
Go for it, attack it again.

HARETA

But it hit Croagunk! Didn't I lose?

CAL

No, you're supposed to keep going until you're knocked out.

Cal's got good patience, and it seems to be going through Hareta's head. He grins and nods.

HARETA

Ohhhhhh. Okay, Croagunk, use Sludge ---

CAL

Don't use Sludge Bomb. Magneton is half Steel-type, and Steel-types are immune to Poison-type attacks.

HARETA

Okay ummm -- use uh --

Magneton looks dazed and injured from using so much electricity on Hilbert and Croagunk. TIGHT on Hareta's face as a THOUGHT BUBBLE appears and HILBERT's face is visible inside. A flashback from earlier as Hilbert lectures Hareta on catching Pokémon ---

HILBERT (V.O.)

...You either beat it down and catch it, or you wait until it's weak on its own accord and take it by surprise!

Magneton falls away dizzily, and the forcefield begins to deplete.

HARETA

---Never mind, Croagunk, return!

Hareta recalls Croagunk into its Poké Ball and then throws an empty Poké Ball and CATCHING the Magneton.

CAL

Good job, Hareta!

He initiates a high-five with Hareta. These two seem to be getting along well.

IRIS

(impressed)

I never knew you knew so much about Pokémon, Cal.

CAL

I thought you brought me along
because you said you were impressed
with me?

IRIS

Erm --- oh yeah. Yeah.

She whistles innocently. Cal looks suspicious.

After a beat, a charred and annoyed Hilbert steps into frame. Hareta dances about happily, showing off Magneton's Poké Ball.

HARETA

Look Hernia, I took your advice.
Magneton used all of its
electricity on you and got tired so
I caught it!

HILBERT

(weakly)
...Glad I could help.

Misty rolls her eyes at Hilbert.

MISTY

You sure you've got your Trainer's
license? Cause that was the
dumbest--

Hilbert flashes her his trainer's license, a look of anger on his face.

HILBERT

Considering I saved the world and
was at one point the Champion of
the Unova Region, I'm pretty sure I
have my damned license--

And then he sways a bit and collapses onto his back, puffing out a big cloud of smoke from his lips. Iris rushes over.

IRIS

No time to sleep Hilbert, get up!

She grabs Hilbert by his feet and drags him inside the Power Plant... Hareta, Cal, Misty, and Brock follow them.

MISTY

Saved the world? *Champion?!*
Yeah, right.

INT. POWER PLANT - DAY

CUE --- "POWER PLANT / Pokémon MANSION THEME" from Pokémon RED & BLUE on a loop:

A large industrial building. A fortress of steel. Iris gets Hilbert on his feet now as the group inspects the two branching hallways that extend like a fork in the road.

CAL

What are we looking for anyway?

IRIS

A generator. Trust me. I told you I'd explain it all later. You wouldn't believe me if I said anything now.

HILBERT

Looks like we're gonna have to split up. Dontcha think?

Brock eyes Iris, grabbing her by the arm.

BROCK

You know... I could always use some new company. And you have very pretty eyes.

Iris looks a little weirded out, but shrugs it off.

IRIS

(re: Misty)

She should go with Hilbert and Hareta. They could use someone who can keep an eye on them.

Misty is infuriated, but she gives in with the roll of her eyes. Hilbert shoots Iris a glare, as Brock flirts endlessly with her....

BROCK

You know, I'm a Rock-type gym leader. My Pokémon aren't the only thing about me that are *rock-hard*.

IRIS

Ohhh. Yeah, I'm a Dragon-type gym leader in Unova. Can't think of any sexual dragon puns.

BROCK

I could probably whip up a few.

IRIS
Cal, you come with me, *please...*

CAL
Sure thing.

Those three go down one hallway, while Hilbert, Hareta and Misty are left looking at one another. Misty grows irritated.

MISTY
You two idiots are going to listen to me, okay?!

HILBERT
(annoyed)
Lead the way then, ma'am.

Misty runs ahead, while the boys struggle to catch up. Well, Hareta catches up quickly while Hilbert lags behind--

INT. POWER PLANT - STAIRCASE - CONTINUOUS

They charge up a FLIGHT OF STAIRS ---

INT. POWER PLANT - 2ND FLOOR - CONTINUOUS

HILBERT
Hey, wait up--!

The floor opens up underneath Hilbert, revealing a trap door. He plummets into the darkness below with a scream. Hareta turns around immediately--

HARETA
Sherbert just fell down that hole!!

Misty stops and looks back.

MISTY
Huh?

KOGA (O.S.)
Hehehehehe. You were able to break through our barrier, eh?

KOGA steps from the shadows, a threatening ARBOK slithering its way behind him.

HARETA
You're that mean guy from the boat!

MISTY
Koga? What are you doing here?

HARETA
Wait, you know him?

MISTY
He's Fuschia City's gym leader.

HARETA
Oh yeah? Well he's a jerk!

Hareta goes for his pockets, but something DRIPS from the ceiling onto his hat. It's goopy, purple -- He puts his hand on his hat and inspects his hand.

HARETA (CONT'D)
What is this -- ?

He can't finish as he's interrupted by a larger goop falling from the ceiling. It has EYES -- Misty cries out --

MISTY
It's a Grimer!

She pulls out a Poké Ball of her own but the Grimer spreads out across the tiled floor and a disgusting hand forms out of the muck and envelopes her arm. Then the other is captured. Before she knows it, she too is slathered in this disgusting gloop. Arbok slithers around Koga lovingly, like a prized possession, as he beams upon the trapped trainers.

KOGA
Without your Poké Balls, weak
trainers like you two are nothing--

Through the goop that surrounds her body, we can see the horror and confusion in Misty's eyes before she's COMPLETELY ENVELOPED as we --

INT. POWER PLANT - POWER DUMP - DAY

Back with HILBERT, who landed on his butt. He gets up, aching and using the wall for support.

HILBERT
Ugh, what happened?

He looks around. He gets up, moves forward.

LT. SURGE
Welcome, kid.

Hilbert spins around. There stands LT. SURGE.

LT. SURGE (CONT'D)
I'll tell you what, if you can beat me, I might even give you the Thunder Badge. Deal?

HILBERT
You were a gym leader? Why? Why would a gym leader work for Team Rocket--!?

LT. SURGE
I was a pretty good gym leader. I followed the rules. Had dignity. Never cheated. But you know where that got me? Nowhere. Because it's all about ---

INT. POWER PLANT - 2ND FLOOR - CONTINUOUS

KOGA
--- Power. And it's power that will get me anything I desire.

He stands over Hareta and Misty, who are slowly being enveloped by the Grimer. Misty's completely covered, her face -- everything. It's SUFFOCATING HER. Hareta struggles to keep his head from being dragged under, but he's STRONG and manages well.

ON HARETA'S HAND as it desperately attempts to move underneath the disgusting blob of purple grime --

KOGA (CONT'D)
We figured someone would break through the barriers soon enough, but they would never get past us. Everything in the Power Plant has been modified to make us, Team Rocket, more powerful than you!

INT. POWER PLANT - POWER DUMP - CONTINUOUS

Lt. Surge approaches Hilbert, sending out two MAGNETON. They ZAP Hilbert, holding him in the air in front of Surge... He can't move. He's TRAPPED.

LT. SURGE
By now, your friends are probably dead --- at least you survived longer than them.

HILBERT

You'll never get away with this. I know Giovanni's plans --

LT. SURGE

Oh yeah? Well your knowledge is going to die with you!

HILBERT

I'm not dying. Not here. Not today.

LT. SURGE

You're one tough little mo'fo, you know that?

He nods. The Magnemite release electricity through the current they're manipulating for Hilbert to float in, shocking Hilbert once more. Once the electricity stops, the Magnemite drop Hilbert out of their grip and he hits the floor. On all fours, Hilbert looks up and glares at Lt. Surge weakly.

HILBERT

You know, I'm a little out of breath, but it's nothing really. If anything, this shit's charging me up---

He really is. He's fired up. He gets on his feet, staring at Lt. Surge, who's almost shitting himself as he giggles at the boy's appearance. Hilbert's hair's sticking out on all ends underneath his turned cap, his clothes are singed and staticy. He looks ridiculous.

LT. SURGE

I've got a treat for you, kid. The last thing you'll ever see... and consider me generous because it's a beaut.

A BA-KAWWW with such power, Hilbert shivers a bit. From behind Lt. Surge, in the darkness, Hilbert can hear the FLAPPING and SWOOPING of a BIRD. A MASSIVE BIRD.

Then it lands, PERCHED atop one of the poles of the barbed wire fences. Its wings attached with wires that stretch all the way down to a power generator on Lt. Surge's back ---

LT. SURGE (CONT'D)

The legendary bird Zapdos. Thanks to Zapdos here, me and my Pokémon have an infinite amount of energy.

INT. POWER PLANT - 2ND FLOOR - CONTINUOUS

PULL OUT to reveal all of this being watched from the gaping mouth of Koga's GOLBAT. Its gaping mouth is being used as a magic mirror for SCRYING things in the distance, hence why we can see Hilbert's downstairs battle from Golbat's mouth.

KOGA

My Golbat's Supersonic enables it to find the location of anyone --- you see this? This is what's happening downstairs.

Hareta watches as Hilbert is electrocuted by Electabuzz's punch. Golbat's mouth closes and Koga grows serious. As Grimer's hand covers Hareta's mouth, he struggles to speak up...

HARETA

Hil-- Hilbert--

KOGA

You shouldn't waste your breath worrying about your friend. It would have been simple to just eliminate you both immediately. But I need you.

Koga snaps his fingers. Grimer's grip loosens over Hareta's mouth and he COUGHS wildly -- takes a deep breath --

KOGA (CONT'D)

I'll only leave enough room for you to breathe. I've done my research and I know of your... parental guardian. Professor Rowan of Sinnoh, correct?

Hareta barks at him:

HARETA

Uh. Yeah. So?! What's it matter?!

KOGA

We've been trying to get our way into Sinnoh for some time now. He was our first contact. But professor's are tough to break. Very moral guys, you know? Maybe if you give him a little push, he'll budge and help us out. Get you back and a sweet paycheck in the process.

(MORE)

KOGA (CONT'D)

Would he be able to change his mind about that? If he sees the poor orphan jungle boy he took in is in pain, maybe he'd be more willing to cooperate. It's up to you. Help us get Professor Rowan to cooperate or die now. It's your choice.

Hareta gulps -- he doesn't know what to say as the "POWER PLANT" theme loop stops ---

INT. POWER PLANT - TRAP DOOR - CONTINUOUS

Hilbert watches as Zapdos rises...

LT. SURGE (V.O.)

Max energy, Zapdos! If it doesn't kill him, make sure it at least puts him into a coma --

Hilbert thinks fast --- throws a Poké Ball, letting out MAGIKARP.

HILBERT

Don't disappoint me, Magikarp! Use Splash! ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING!!

Magikarp hops into the air --- it's his time to shine. He whips around, flopping about and then --- a few drops of water fly from his tail and...

The DROOPING, LIVE WIRES hanging from Surge's back make contact with Magikarp's miracle Splash attack. Instantly, the HIGH VOLTAGE CURRENT races through the liquid.

LT. SURGE is LITERALLY BLASTED OUT OF HIS SKIN by the MASSIVE JOLT OF ELECTRICITY coursing through his body from Zapdos ---

Hilbert ties up Lt. Surge's hands, leaving him on the floor unconscious and electrified. Zapdos flies down the hall, shaking off the frayed wires left behind.

Hilbert bends down and sees a GENERATOR nearby. He sends out CHARLOTTE the CHARMELEON.

HILBERT (CONT'D)

That's the generator Iris was talking about! Fry it, Charlotte!

Charlotte sends a spray of flames right at the generator. It burns up, sets on fire, and explodes.

Hilbert stands, recognizing that his mission is complete. He uses the scarlet red lizard's flame tail as a flashlight through the darkness, quickly moving toward a STAIRCASE heading back UP ---

INT. POWER PLANT - 2ND FLOOR - DAY

Koga nods to Misty ---

KOGA

She won't make it much longer.
She's suffocating. Do you know it
long it takes for someone to die
like that? It's a long, painful
death.

--- then to the trap door Hilbert fell in.

KOGA (CONT'D)

The electric currents down there
are so powerful his body won't be
able to take much more. And trust
me, Lt. Surge won't resist turning
his body into the power lines that
light up this city.

HILBERT (O.S.)

Oh, I'm just fine. I'm used to it.

Koga SPINS around -- as a Poké Ball HITS HIM RIGHT IN THE FACE.

The camera spins around as Koga falls less-than-gracefully -- to reveal HILBERT stood on a catwalk above. CHARLOTTE the CHARMELEON is right next to him. Both of their arms are crossed like fucking BADASSES. But Hilbert's hair is still in all directions due to the static electricity, and his clothes are charred, so the badassery is ruined by his ridiculous appearance.

Once the Poké Ball rebounds off of Koga's face, GENGAR lands on the ground in front of him. Koga stares up in surprise. His ARBOK lunges at Gengar.

HILBERT (CONT'D)

Gengar, use Shadow Punch!!

Gengar DISAPPEARS in thin air and within the blink of an eye, appears directly behind the large snake and socks it in the back with a fist covered in dark purple aura.

Hilbert makes it to the bottom of the stairs and reaches the ground while IRIS, BROCK, and CAL appear from the main entry.

Brock has a massive bruise on his face and he looks genuinely entranced by Iris's appearance while she's just ANNOYED by his presence.

Cal's riding his skateboard and he ZOOMS over the railing, throwing a Poké Ball and letting out his baby TOGEPI as he sticks his landing, skidding toward KOGA, ARBOK, GRIMER, and poor, trapped HARETA.

CAL
Togepi, use Metronome!!

Togepi wags its tiny fingers, and then --- spits up a SLUDGE BOMB, further burying Hareta in MUCK!!

CAL (CONT'D)
Oh crap, that was counter-productive... SORRY!

He recalls Togepi and sends out his Feraligatr.

CAL (CONT'D)
Wash the muck away with Water Gun!

This time, Cal's technique works. Feraligatr's Water Gun sprays the muck away.

MEANWHILE, Iris and Brock see Misty's hand struggling beneath the surface nearby and she pulls on his hand.

IRIS
As much as I hate to say this,
you're gonna have to grab onto my
hips, Brock.

Brock rushes forward -- giddy as all hell -- and clasps his hands around Iris's ass with a childish giggle. She instantly backhands him across the face.

IRIS (CONT'D)
MY HIPS. MY HIPS.

BROCK
(grumbles under his
breath)
Fiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiine.

He listens and they both put all their might and strength into getting Misty out of there. Koga lets out his VENOMOTH, and makes it release a GUST attack to whip up wind and debris in the air... This blocks everyone's vision. Once the smoke clears, Hilbert looks up and sees that KOGA and his Pokémon are GONE.

Everyone looks around in confusion. *And then they hear a SCREEEEECH.*

It's ZAPDOS! Hilbert rushes back toward the door he came in from, rushing back down to the power dump... Hareta, Cal, and Iris right behind him...

INT. POWER PLANT - POWER DUMP - CONTINUOUS

...and then they see it. A figure in a tight catsuit rushes off, her brown hair done up into a cap. We only see her from behind. She holds up an Ultra Ball in her hand as she rushes off. And then she's gone. Iris pulls out a Poké Ball ---

IRIS

We can't let her get away! *A thief just stole Zapdos!*

--- and tosses out ZWEILOUS. The two headed-Dragon.

She climbs on Zweilous's back and they rush forward. As they go down the hallway, they see that a large hole was blown through the wall and, through the dust and debris, Iris sees that the figure has disappeared. She curses under her breath...

IRIS (CONT'D)

She's gone.

INT. POWER PLANT - 2ND FLOOR - CONTINUOUS

MISTY and BROCK's Poké Balls suddenly start to steam. They let out their 'Pokémon', revealing they are all only robot replicas that have just lost their power source!

MISTY

Oh my god, those losers weren't just pulling our leg!! Team Rocket really did take our Pokémon...

Brock and Misty look at each other in complete horror at the situation.

EXT. POWER PLANT - LATER

CLOSE ON: MISTY. She is sat at the edge of the water, staring out at the waves, a mixture of animosity and sadness in her eyes. IRIS approaches her.

IRIS

...We'll find your Pokémon.

MISTY

(beat)

I want them now. I want these Rocket bastards to pay. I'm coming with you, to find them.

IRIS

Having you around just makes us more conspicuous. Besides, you need to stay here to protect your cities.

MISTY

You can't... you can't say that. You don't know how it feels!

HILBERT (O.S.)

I do.

Misty turns to see HILBERT approaching. CAL and HARETA stand behind him. BROCK paces around, listening solemnly.

HILBERT (CONT'D)

They took most of my Pokémon. My best friend Sheldon is gone because of them. I'm pretty sure I know how you feel.

MISTY

But you're going to find them and make them pay! I just have to sit here and wait?!

IRIS

And put your cities and people in danger? Is that what you want?

BROCK

I agree.

MISTY

(fiery)

You only agree because you want to bang her!

BROCK

She is quite scrumptious indeed, but she's also smart. Team Rocket is everywhere, and no one knows when or where they'll strike next. Defending our cities is the best option.