# STEP IN TIME

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## COLD OPEN

We open on a gritty docuseries title sequence. An edgy NARRATOR spells things out for us idiots:

NARRATOR On the last Step In Time...

TITLE: "STEP IN TIME."

# INT. COSMIC RAY'S - DAY

PATRICK DEMPSEY (Sonny) sits at a keyboard.

PATRICK DEMPSEY

I'm just bored.

Stock footage of:

-A CAR EXPLODING in a parking lot;

-A HAND carving a turkey;

-A BABY playing with keys.

CHRIS MELONI (Figment) leans onto the keyboard.

CHRIS MELONI What if you had a little... Imagination?

# INT. SUPPLY ROOM

STEVE BUSCEMI (Buzzy) pops out of a pile of garbage.

STEVE BUSCEMI Agh! I'm Buzzy!

Quick shots of the TIME MACHINE flying through the VOID.

# EXT. EPCOT - DAY

Meloni, Dempsey and Buscemi look around.

PATRICK DEMPSEY Where are we?

CHRIS MELONI More like... where are we?

More STOCK FOOTAGE OF EXPLOSIONS.

# EXT. ANIMAL KINGDOM - DAY

PAM GRIER scours in front of a T-REX SKELETON.

PAM GRIER My name's Mary, and I'm not scary. If you want my help, just ask.

PATRICK DEMPSEY We need your help. SMRT-1 is ruining everything, or whatever.

A quick glimpse of COURTNEY B. VANCE as SMRT-1 on a throne, laughing.

PAM GRIER He could get an Emmy for this. We have to stop him!

Grier, Dempsey, Buscemi and Meloni jump on the Time Machine.

CHRIS MELONI Ready, time machine who's also the bad guy?

TIME MACHINE (V.O.) (VOICED BY FRAN DRESCHER) Here we go again!

The group flashes away.

CUT TO BLACK.

END COLD OPEN

#### ACT I

# INT. THE VOID

A small TEAR opens in a corner of the pitch-black space that is the VOID.

The TIME MACHINE emerges with FIGMENT, MARY, SONNY, BUZZY, REX, TOM MORROW, DICK TRACY, THE COWBOY, MAJOR DOMO, SAM THE EAGLE, NEWSBOY, BIRD, and ROBOT in tow. If that wasn't a long enough list, the YETI is (literally) dragged along, hanging onto the base of the Machine.

Mary studies the instrument panel on the Machine's dashboard.

MARY We're almost to ninety-four! Hang on tight!

Sonny pops his head out from between Bird and Cowboy.

SONNY

I already am!

BIRD Hey! Hands off, Sunkist!

SONNY You're pronouncing it wrong!

An ALARM begins to beep on the instrument panel.

MARY

Something's happening!

Another TEAR opens behind them.

A SECOND TIME MACHINE, piloted by SMRT-1, emerges. In tow are his goons: LANDKEEPER, SNOW QUEEN, PLANET HOLLYWOOD, some MANNEQUINS, and YOUNG SONNY (now under mind control).

The second Time Machine gains speed.

MARY (CONT'D) What is that?

BUZZY It looks like another Time Machine!

FIGMENT Two time machines? How's that even possible? DICK TRACY Oh, anything's possible. SMRT-1 always has a trick up his sleeve.

SONNY Why don't you just marry him?

The Second Time Machine RAMS into the Prime Machine.

BUZZY He's gonna smash the machine!

MARY (TO TIME MACHINE) Do you have any extra juice?

TIME MACHINE Not with all this weight.

MARY Well, we aren't letting anyone go. Not even Tom.

TOM MORROW Why'd you say my name?

Landkeeper stands up and climbs onto the side of the Second Time Machine.

LANDKEEPER (TO SMRT-1) Keep it steady! I'm going to jump on to their Time Machine!

Mary struggles to keep the Prime Machine steady under the stress.

MARY Buzzy? Do you still have any of your pins?

Buzzy opens his flight jacket. The entire lining is coated with PINS.

# BUZZY

One or two!

MARY You have to get rid of them, okay?

Buzzy sighs. He removes his jacket, kisses it, and shakes all of the pins loose.

# BUZZY

# Fly, pins! Fly! Back to Canada!

The pins batter the Second Time Machine, hitting SMRT-1 and his goons in their faces. Landkeeper is nearly thrown off.

# SMRT-1

Agh! Pins!

LANDKEEPER I said keep it steady, now!

The Landkeeper makes a leap of faith as the Prime Machine gains a burst of speed... He misses.

The Landkeeper falls into the jet-black darkness of the Void.

# SNOW QUEEN

Landkeeper!

# LANDKEEPER It was worth it until it wasn't!

Enraged, the Snow Queen fires three ICE BLASTS from her palms. The Yeti is able to deflect two, but the third HITS the Prime Machine. It begins shaking uncontrollably.

## TIME MACHINE

We're not gonna make it!

A TEAR opens in front of them, and a BLUE LIGHT pours out in a conical shape. The tractor beam pulls the Prime Machine towards the tear.

BUZZY Oh, no. This is heaven, isn't it?

MARY I don't know. Be prepared for anything.

The Prime Machine enters the tear.

# INT. SEEKER'S LAB - DAY

DOCTOR SEEKER stands before a massive GLASS TUBE in the center of his lab. He strains to keep upright against the pulsing blue waves of energy, gripping a small electronic device in his hand.

The Prime Machine finally appears within the tube, and the energy waves die down.

The tube raises, revealing a busted Time Machine and an exhausted group of travelers.

SEEKER

Oh, dear.

BIRD Nope, I'm a bird. Got a light?

Bird looks at the group for laughs. Nothing.

BIRD (CONT'D) Yeah, probably not a good time for bits. But really, how 'bout that light?

Mary and the rest of the group climb off of the Machine.

SEEKER Mary! Sonny! We did it!

MARY Seeker? What are you doing here?

SEEKER As soon as the Dino Institute put me on leave, I started working on a way to help out. Turns out I'm at my most productive when I'm just tinkering.

BUZZY But we left you in nineteen ninetyeight!

SEEKER I retrofitted some loose components into a hardshell casing. After a few drops of uranium, I was in business for a one-way trip! Plus, it's way sleeker than that retro GameBoy.

He holds up a PALM PILOT.

BIRD Does anyone know who the nerd is?

YETI

Not a clue.

Seeker shows Sonny and Figment his computer.

SEEKER It looks like I got you in the nick of time, but the Machine is almost busted.

#### FIGMENT

Busted?!

TIME MACHINE Horse hockey. I'm still as capable as I ever was.

SPARKS shoot from the control panel.

TIME MACHINE (CONT'D) Ever. Ever. Ever. Was.

SEEKER This is what I was afraid of. This, and spiders.

TIME MACHINE There's no time to worry about me. You need to find SMRT-1 and stop him before it's too late.

SONNY How in the Living Seas are we supposed to find him?

The lights in the lab dim, then go back to normal.

SEEKER Someone else just entered this timeline.

TOM MORROW (GASPS) Who do you think it was?

Everyone stares at Buzzy. He clears his throat and shifts his eyes.

MARY What do we do?

TIME MACHINE We can't stay here. There's no way the energy surge from pulling us in didn't go unnoticed.

MARY Do we have any backup? I sent out a distress call, but no one responded. We're on our own.

Seeker takes off his lab coat and puts on a separate, identical lab coat.

SEEKER (CONT'D) I'm ready. Let's go.

# EXT. CATASTROPHE CANYON - DAY

The group emerges from a stairwell leading into the base of CATASTROPHE CANYON, on the MGM Studios backlot tour.

REX Wow. A lab in Catastrophe Canyon. Just like my horoscope predicted.

SEEKER I have labs set up everywhere. It makes it easy to not be seen. I'm used to that, anyway.

They hop onto the path used by the Backlot Tour trams.

FIGMENT Where are any of the people?

SEEKER

They're all at the big unveiling at EPCOT Ninety-Four. I guess all it takes to clear out the other parks is a fully-functioning time machine.

SONNY (SCOFFS) Humans and their cheap tricks.

A TRAM approaches. The DRIVER comes to a stop just in front of the group; they're crossing the path like the Beatles on Abbey Road.

TRAM DRIVER Is that... Figment?

She looks at Bird... Sonny...the Yeti...and SCREAMS at Sonny. She continues to scream as she gathers her things, steps off the tram, and walks away.

> SONNY I see some things never change.

Sonny hops behind the wheel. Mary pushes him over.

MARY I'm driving.

SONNY

But I sat down first! It's warm!

MARY

Well, my legs are longer. Everyone on!

The group climbs aboard. There's a CHILD sitting in one of the seats.

YETI Uh... Is this one with us?

SONNY I think they're with the tour group.

MARY I think they are the tour group.

CHILD Are you guys gonna give me a tour?

SONNY Kid, you're about to get the tour of a lifetime. To EPCOT Center!

CHILD But I was just there.

The tram launches forward and speeds away.

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

A MASSIVE CROWD is gathered in front of the Spaceship Earth pavilion. A BOOTH shrouded in blue fabric is sitting on an elevated stage at the pavilion's entrance, with a row of REPORTERS at the front.

An EXECUTIVE in a suit takes the microphone.

EXECUTIVE Folks, we'll be starting in a few moments. We're just waiting on the guest of honor. REPORTER #1 Excuse me. Rick Hardin, C.C.N. News. What exactly is this?

REPORTER #2 One moment! Melanie Blankenship, C.C.N. News. Who is this "guest of honor"?

REPORTER #3 Silence, both of you! David Turner, C.C.N. News. Where <u>are</u> we right now?

EXECUTIVE Okay. How many of you aren't from C.C.N. News?

No one raises their hand.

A FLASH OF LIGHT appears, and the shrouded booth is CRUSHED by SMRT-1's falling Second Time Machine. The crowd erupts and scrambles for the exit.

EXECUTIVE (CONT'D) Wait, folks! Wait! This is all part of the presentation!

He coughs and tries to wave the smoke away. He approaches the smoldering, mangled heap of metal...no one is onboard.

SMRT-1 (O.S.) Expecting me?

The Executive whirls around to see SMRT-1 and his posse onstage.

EXECUTIVE Yes. We all were.

SMRT-1 Too bad. You get me instead.

EXECUTIVE What are you talking about? Where's my time machine?

One of the Mannequins lifts the Executive up like a cat and carries him away.

EXECUTIVE (CONT'D) Hey! Put me down! It's not seven o'clock yet! SMRT-1 Don't worry! You'll be fine. We're all fine. Isn't that right, Buzzy?

SMRT-1 looks at Young Sonny.

Inside Young Sonny's head... near his TINY BRAIN... A futuristic JET circles the area.

## INT. CRANIUM COMMAND - CONTINUOUS

EVIL BUZZY smiles. He flips a few SWITCHES, then hovers his hand over a giant red button reading **DANGER!** and pushes it.

#### EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - CONTINUOUS

Young Sonny smiles and nods.

SMRT-1 That took a while. Okay, let's get ready. We have company coming.

# EXT. EPCOT ENTRANCE - DAY

The tram speeds towards the entrance of the park.

SEEKER We should probably slow down.

MARY Yeah, man. Totally.

SEEKER Seriously, these things have a chance of flipping.

She SMASHES through one of the iron gates at the turnstiles. An elderly CAST MEMBER waves their arms in futility.

> CAST MEMBER My gate! My precious gate! She had one day left to retirement.

The tram rolls through the entrance -- six cars at a time. Once it clears, Figment flies back to a turnstile, pushes it six times, and flies back to the tram.

#### EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - CONTINUOUS

The tram approaches the Spaceship Earth pavilion. The area is completely empty.

#### BUZZY

# Where is everyone?

The Yeti hops out and slows the tram to a stop by the pavilion entrance. Everyone exits.

Mary steps onto the stage and examines the charred remains of the Second Time Machine.

#### MARY

I guess I'm confused.

FLASH! A THIRD TIME MACHINE appears in the plaza. SMRT-1 is at the helm, with all of his goons in tow.

SMRT-1 Hello, old friends. I see you brought some new friends!

SAM THE EAGLE We're no friends of yours.

#### SMRT-1

Ah, my Committee. You couldn't come up with any good ideas, so you rode on their coattails.

MAJOR DOMO Well, that's just rude.

BIRD

He ain't wrong.

#### SMRT-1

And my Yeti! You could have had a bright future. Now, you'll be tossed in the scrap heap. Turned to toilet paper.

#### FIGMENT

You can never get away with this! Especially the toilet paper thing.

#### SMRT-1

Of course we can.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD and SNOW QUEEN step forward.

MARY If it isn't the Snow Queen. And... the other guy.

SONNY Okay, good! I was worried I was going crazy. So no one knows who that guy is, right?

FIGMENT I sure don't.

TOM MORROW He smells like pasta.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD My name is Planet Hollywood.

The group has a nice, derisive BELLY LAUGH at him.

MARY Oh, that is stupid.

SMRT-1 I'd like to think of it as a happy family. Isn't that right, Sonny?

Evil Sonny steps forward. The group gasps.

BUZZY

Sonny! That guy has your name and looks just like you and has the same weird thing where your palms get all sweaty!

Hush!

EVIL SONNY

SONNY

Hush!

Sonny yells at SMRT-1:

SONNY (CONT'D) What have you done to me? Besides make me question my haircut?

SMRT-1

As soon as I was onto your scheme, I initiated my failsafe strategy. Sonny and Buzzy. Together at last.

SONNY We're together now, dummy.

SMRT-1 You know what I mean! A ROAR echoes behind the group. Everyone turns to see... a MAELSTROM TROLL, with GOOD YOUNG SONNY riding on its back.

#### SONNY

Another me!

REX Okay, I wasn't paying attention. Why are there three of him?

GOOD YOUNG SONNY We heard that you were making a last stand, and I gathered all the troops I could!

BIRD Yeah, that's nice! We're trying to figure somethin' out over here! (TO REX) So are they both evil?

REX

No. One is from this time, and the other is from the other time, and the other is from the other time.

MARY You're making it more complicated.

BIRD

It can't get more complicated!

A massive DRAGON, ARTAXACUS, flies above them. Bird's cigar falls out of his mouth in astonishment.

The rest of the backup appears. There are younger versions of everyone **except** Mary, Yeti and Seeker. We also have HERBIE THE LOVE BUG, the casts of HORIZONS, KITCHEN KABARET and CAROUSEL OF PROGRESS, various PIRATES and GHOSTS, EVERY PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, and DREAMFINDER & FIGMENT.

SONNY

I knew I could do it.

SEEKER I'm the one who sent the distress signal.

SONNY Don't ruin this for me!

CUT TO BLACK.

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<u>END ACT I</u>

## <u>ACT II</u>

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

SMRT-1 faces an army of our heroes, many of whom are doubled. A YOUNG BUZZY from this timeline runs up to our Buzzy.

GOOD YOUNG BUZZY It's me! From the future!

BUZZY It's me! From the past!

They celebrate with a SLAP FIGHT.

Figment flies to Dreamfinder and hugs him.

FIGMENT Dreamfinder! You made it!

DREAMFINDER You're the one who made it!

FIGMENT It looks like we all have doubles!

MARY Excuse me. Not all of us have doubles.

# YETI

Yeah!

The doubles talk amongst themselves.

SONNY Okay, all doubles pair up! Anyone who doesn't have a double, find someone else and pair with them!

A GHOST stands next to Mary. CALVIN COOLIDGE walks up.

CALVIN COOLIDGE Do any of you have a partner?

GHOST

Yeah.

CALVIN COOLIDGE

Oh. Okay.

He leaves. After some more shuffling, everyone has a partner.

FIGMENT Okay! Is everyone ready?

SAM THE EAGLE

Ready!

YETI

Yeti!

HERBIE THE LOVE BUG (BEEPS)

FIGMENT Okay, SMRT-1! Show us what you got!

SMRT-1 begins to laugh.

FLASH! Another TIME MACHINE appears in the plaza. FLASH! A fifth. The flashes continue, increasing in frequency, until multiple appear at a time. Mary and the group simply watch in shock.

BUZZY I think I just peed. Which is crazy, because I'm not supposed to do that.

After a moment, the entire plaza is filled with hundreds upon hundreds of TIME MACHINES...and each of them is helmed by a different SMRT-1.

> SMRT-1 You thought I wouldn't have a contingency?

The group now faces an army of SMRT-1s.

REX Sorry, I stopped paying attention again. Is this a good thing or a bad thing?

Mary's eyes dart to the tram, parked nearby with the broken Time Machine onboard.

> MARY (TO SONNY) Sonny, get the Time Machine out of here.

SONNY I'm on it. (TO YETI) Jason Mamoa! You're with me! Sonny grabs Tom and Buzzy. They follow him and jump on the tram.

GOOD YOUNG SONNY Am I coming too?

SONNY I can't work the pedals and steer, can I?

Good Young Sonny smiles.

SONNY (CONT'D) No, seriously. Can I?

Everyone hops onboard. The tram slowly rolls away.

SMRT-1 My time machine! No!

He sends Evil Sonny and the entire FLEET of time machines after the tram.

SONNY

More speed!

Buzzy pushes down on the accelerator pedal. The tram barely goes above 20 miles an hour.

YETI Everyone hang on tight!

Yeti jumps out and begins to push from behind. The tram builds up speed as he pushes.

SONNY I should ask him for some fitness tips.

Yeti hangs onto the back car and KICKS to keep the speed up. The fleet approaches quickly.

TOM MORROW They're closing in!

SONNY Throw something!

Yeti reaches out and grabs one of the METAL POLES welded along the side of the car. He CHUCKS it at the armada, scattering them. He continues to throw more poles.

> SONNY (CONT'D) How's it coming?

YETI

I'm keeping them at bay, but not for long!

SONNY Thanks, but I was talking to Tom.

He glares at Tom, who's rushing to prepare a sandwich.

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

Mary, Figment and their friends face down SMRT-1 and the few allies he has left.

MARY You don't have many goons left. How much longer can you keep this up?

SMRT-1 At least I didn't steal any of your goons, like you did mine.

SNOW QUEEN Actually, you did.

SMRT-1 Oh. Yeah. Give me my Machine!

Several Mannequins step forward and march towards our heroes.

BIRD You already have like a billion time machines!

MARY It's not about the Time Machine anymore.

SMRT-1 She's right. It's about you learning your place. I rule this world. You just lived in it.

SMRT-1's time machine ascends, carrying him towards the top of the Spaceship Earth dome. BOLTS OF ELECTRICITY begin to surge through his body. He reaches out and touches the side of the dome, allowing the bolts to course across its metal ridges.

> SEEKER He's transferring his consciousness to the dome!

MARY Like he did with the time machine?

FIGMENT We have to stop him!

The Mannequins close in.

MARY (TO FIGMENT) We have to make them imagine.

FIGMENT

Beg pardon?

MARY It's how Tom and I got the commandos out of Dick Tracy and the Cowboy.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN (TO A PIRATE) What is she talking about?

MARY

Figment, it's why we've been on this journey to begin with. We've been spreading sparks all along the way. We need to do it one last time.

FIGMENT Got it! Leave those two to me!

Figment flies up to the Mannequins. Mary watches from a distance as he politely chats with them. Within moments, they both jerk their heads forward, and microscopic JETS shoot from their ears and grow to normal size.

BIRD

Whoa!

# KABARET CANNOLI

Holy me!

The two Mannequins look around, at each other, and at themselves. They open the jets' cockpits and toss the Commando pilots out, then each steals one. They fly away together, drawing a GIANT HEART in the sky.

The heroes collectively "Aww."

MAJOR DOMO That is so sweet. (TO HIS PAST SELF) Why can't you do nice things for me once in a while?

REX How did he do that so fast?

DREAMFINDER Figment is pure imagination, my friend.

REX Can we do it, too?

YOUNG FIGMENT Of course! I'll teach everyone. Lesson one: writing with your opposite hand!

CUT TO:

#### INT. TRAM - TRAVELING

Sonny weaves the tram along the edge of the MEXICO PAVILION.

Yeti is still hanging onto the back, simultaneously kicking the tram along and keeping the Time Machines at bay.

A Time Machine hovers above the tram's front car, with Evil Sonny dangling from it. He drops onto the roof and rolls inside. He GRABS Sonny and holds him out of the window.

> SONNY You're making things weird, man!

Buzzy screams and jumps onto Evil Sonny, thrashing him. The action causes the three to spill out of the car and into the road.

#### EXT. SAN ANGEL INN - CONTINUOUS

Evil Sonny rises to his feet.

EVIL SONNY

Give up now.

SONNY Why? So you can pretend you're me forever? Hang out with my family? Spend certain holidays with them? (MORE) SONNY (CONT'D) I was never a fan of Saint Glorkis' Day. (CHUCKLES) Can you imagine if we switched places for that one?

EVIL SONNY

Shut up!

He recoils, gripping his head.

SONNY Hey, I know it sounds bad, but that's my family we're talking about.

## EVIL SONNY

Enough!

# SONNY

Sure, they can be obnoxious. But try to imagine what you would do in my shoes. I can't emancipate myself. Lord knows I've tried!

Evil Sonny SNEEZES, causing another JET to appear between him, Sonny & Buzzy.

SONNY (CONT'D) What in Jet Blue blazes?

Sonny wipes the dirt off of his clothes and approaches the plane. As he nears the cockpit, the shield BURSTS OPEN and EVIL BUZZY jumps out, screaming.

# BUZZY Imagine ice cream for breakfast!

Evil Buzzy screams and grips his head, then SNEEZES. Yet ANOTHER JET appears.

SONNY It's like a Russian nesting doll.

Buzzy opens the cockpit shield. An angry CHIMPANZEE jumps out, smacks him, and runs away.

Sonny and Buzzy turn and see their younger selves (now GOOD) shaking the noise out of their heads.

SONNY (CONT'D) Are you still evil? GOOD SONNY Nope. We're good now.

SONNY Lame. Let's go.

The tram speeds towards them. Tom appears from the driver's seat.

TOM MORROW We can't slow down!

SONNY What? Speak up!

TOM MORROW We can't slow down! We're being chased!

The armada of Time Machines appears behind them.

BUZZY Looks like we're jumping on.

SONNY Cool. Please give me a solemn funeral. The kind with confetti, and --

Buzzy grabs Sonny's arm, and his young counterpart does the same for Young Sonny. The Buzzies link hands and make a RUNNING JUMP for the speeding tram...

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

Figment flies around the plaza, triggering jets out of Mannequin heads left and right. Snow Queen shoots ICE BEAMS, but they're quickly melted by ELLEN RIPLEY using a blowtorch.

The Chimpanzee bonks GEORGE H.W. BUSH on the head as he talks to the Carousel Family.

GEORGE H.W. BUSH See, the thing is - Ow! - The American nuclear family is really -Ow! Stop it!

The NEWSBOY chucks newspapers like throwing knives; the headlines read, "WHAT IF?"

NEWSBOY Extra, extra! Read all about it! Dreamfinder and Young Figment fly overhead in the DREAMCATCHER. Dreamfinder turns a knob on the control panel. A cloud of DUST falls from the DreamCatcher's exhaust, onto Planet Hollywood and a team of Mannequins. They all SNEEZE, freeing their jets.

# PLANET HOLLYWOOD (BEWILDERED) What did I eat?

Herbie flies towards SMRT-1, with Major Domo and Sam the Eagle riding onboard.

MAJOR DOMO Get me close. If there's anyone who can talk him down, it's another automaton.

Herbie hovers next to SMRT-1, still surging with electricity. Major Domo cranks the window down.

MAJOR DOMO (CONT'D) Hey! Have you ever heard of the Ship of Theseus?

SMRT-1 I'm not falling for that!

SMRT-1 throws a BOLT OF ELECTRICTY towards Herbie. The car dodges the shot, but Major Domo is thrown out. Sam grabs his legs; Major Domo grabs SMRT-1, interrupting his transfer. SMRT-1 falls to the ground and is caught by a Mannequin.

> SMRT-1 (CONT'D) I am sick of these games! I am sick of imagination and sick of people!

The Mannequin gives SMRT-1 a conciliatory PAT on the head.

SMRT-1 (CONT'D) Stop that! Get me a jet!

A pair of Pirates have a sword fight on top of a JUNGLE CRUISE ELEPHANT. The Elephant sprays a massive amount of WATER at the Snow Queen, freezing her like a statue. Mary runs up to her.

> MARY You don't have any Commandos in your head, right?

SNOW QUEEN Yeth! I promith! MARY And do you promise to be nice?

SNOW QUEEN

Yeth!

MARY Welcome to the team. Let's get you thawed out.

A Mannequin grabs Mary and hoists her up.

MARY (CONT'D) Hey! Put me down, jerk!

The Mannequin holds her out towards SMRT-1, who's loading himself into the cockpit of an ABANDONED PLANE.

SMRT-1 You've been a thorn in my side too long.

# INT. TRAM - TRAVELING

Tom drives the tram, whipping it past Horizons.

BUZZY We have to do what?

YOUNG BUZZY Go back to SMRT-1. It's the only way.

TIME MACHINE When I connected myself to the time machine, it left a piece of me behind. If we can manage to get it back to SMRT-1 --

SONNY Sure, but how?

YETI Don't forget, we're in a moving vehicle.

Tom, who has is hands and feet outside of the vehicle, sheepishly pulls them back in.

TOM MORROW

Sorry!

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

SMRT-1 sits in the cockpit of a brain plane, adjusting the controls.

SMRT-1 Prepare to witness the power of B.E.T.!

Mary struggles to free herself from the Mannequin's grip.

MARY At least my stomach isn't doing that thing when I get nervous.

Her stomach makes a GROWL and her eyes widen.

MARY (CONT'D)

Uh-oh.

CUT TO BLACK.

END ACT II

# EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - DAY

SMRT-1 prepares to take over Mary's brain in his jet.

The other members of the team try to get to her, but SMRT-1's forces are too strong. Planet Hollywood bangs on the cockpit.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD Hey! We have to help that person!

SMRT-1 I am helping her.

A pair of Mannequins grabs Planet Hollywood and holds him back.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD What? Who are you?! Stop!

Mary watches as the brain plane powers up.

The TRAM speeds around the corner, chased by the armada of Time Machines. It hits the corner too hard and ROLLS.

YETI

Now!

Sonny, Buzzy, their younger selves, and Tom all JUMP OUT safely. The Yeti clings to the rolling tram - with the Time Machine still onboard - and rolls with it. He uses the momentum to KICK off of the ground. He soars into the air with the tram car in hand.

He spins in midair, holding onto the roof, and swings the car so hard the roof is torn off, throwing it like a missile.

In SLOW MOTION...

-Figment flies towards Mary. Sonny, Buzzy, and their younger selves stare.

-SMRT-1 fires up the jet engine, quickly ACCELERATING TOWARDS MARY.

-Figment WINKS at the Mannequin holding Mary. Its head begins to jerk, and a JET EXPLODES out.

-Figment grabs Mary and pulls her to safety, just as SMRT-1's jet SLAMS into the abandoned one that just appeared.

-SMRT-1 EJECTS from the plane, throwing him to the ground. He looks up... The tram car is falling just above him.

SMRT-1

Yowza.

The roofless tram car LANDS on top of him, and the Time Machine inside traps him. The control panel of the Time Machine BEEPS, then...

A great FLASH reverberates across the plaza. All time machines, planes and SMRT-1 clones vanish in a POP of light.

Dick Tracy and the Cowboy run to the tram wreckage. Dick Tracy pulls SMRT-1 out and pins him to the ground.

DICK TRACY What's my birthday, punk?

#### SMRT-1

Go ahead. Do whatever you want. Make me work at the steakhouse again. Turn me into toilet paper, or force me to clean up after the Pirates.

The Pirates awkwardly look at each other.

SMRT-1 (CONT'D) Whatever you do, it can't be worse than this.

Mary kneels down to meet his eye level.

MARY What's your wish?

SMRT-1

What?

MARY You heard me. What do you want?

SMRT-1

I don't know.

He takes a long time to think.

SMRT-1 (CONT'D) I just want to be useful. SONNY If your use was being a complete psycho, then I'd say you got your wish.

#### MARY

No. I know what he means. He means he's left out. Born in the wrong time. Some people are meant to be gladiators. Right, Time Machine?

The time machine fizzles.

SMRT-1 It's just me now. You're talking to the bad and the good.

#### FIGMENT

So you're the SMRT-1 that tried to hurt us, and the one who tried to help us.

#### SONNY

Trippy.

Both Young Sonnies walk up, each sipping on a BEVERLY.

YOUNG SONNY #1

Yeah, man.

YOUNG SONNY #2 Pretty weird stuff, man.

Mary looks at the time machine.

MARY Seeker, would this last remaining time machine still happen to work?

SEEKER It still has some life left.

Mary, Buzzy and Sonny pull the time machine out of the wreckage. Figment gets SMRT-1 back on his feet and escorts him to the time platform.

MARY Pick a date.

SMRT-1

Really?

MARY

You deserve to be useful. To be happy. Do it now, before you realize they aren't the same thing.

SMRT-1 stares at our heroes.

SMRT-1

Thank you.

He dials a number into the machine.

SONNY Hey, try not to conquer the world anymore, would ya?

SMRT-1

I promise.

BUZZY Wait. I never got to ask. You've guessed so many birthdays, but when is yours?

SMRT-1 I never had one. (BEAT) Let's say today.

The time machine FLASHES out of the plaza, then returns a moment later without SMRT-1. Mary, Figment, and Buzzy look up at the stars and smile.

PLANET HOLLYWOOD Okay. I'm gonna need a *Reader's* Digest version of...everything.

CUT TO:

#### EXT. SPACESHIP EARTH - LATER

Mary and the rest of our heroes help to clean up around the base of Spaceship Earth. Buzzy picks up a small PIN WITH SMRT-1's FACE. The face slowly changes into a CRANIUM COMMAND LOGO. Buzzy slips it into his pocket.

Seeker guides various characters to the time machine, where they're returned to their respective times. Sonny waves goodbye to the Carousel family as they depart. Figment has a final conversation with Dreamfinder and his younger self.

The Executive approaches Mary.

# EXECUTIVE

What happened here?

MARY SMRT-1 is gone. Everything should be normal now.

EXECUTIVE And the Time Machine?

#### BUZZY

It's busted. We only have a few trips left on it, and we already wasted half of those on Presidents.

EXECUTIVE

Well, I suppose none of us ever needs to discuss any of this again.

MARY

Seriously?

## EXECUTIVE

Oh, yes. I didn't get this job by making mistakes, and I won't keep it that way, either. We can sweep all of this under the rug.

#### FIGMENT

What about the guests?

## SEEKER

They all went back to their timelines when we stopped SMRT-1. If my theory is correct, they won't remember anything about any of this.

#### EXECUTIVE

Simple and clean. Better than an N.D.A.! Well, off to tee time.

The Executive walks towards Spaceship Earth.

## FIGMENT

The golf course is the other way.

The Executive proceeds into Spaceship Earth.

Major Domo and the rest of the Committee stand on the time platform.

MAJOR DOMO Figment. Sonny. We're sorry we doubted you.

SONNY

No you're not.

MAJOR DOMO That's true.

SONNY Thanks for all of your help. Maybe we'll see each other on the other side.

Seeker hits a button. The time machine disappears, then reappears without the Committee. Sonny SHUDDERS.

Dick Tracy rests a hand on Mary's shoulder. Cowboy and Snow Queen are standing next to him.

DICK TRACY Well, Breathless. It's time for me and these two to beat the devil. That means "leave," I think. I made it up just now.

MARY You're leaving?

COWBOY

SMRT-1 made us, so we gotta get to gettin'.

BUZZY That doesn't make any sense. Why don't you stay here?

SNOW QUEEN Stay here? After everything we've done?

DICK TRACY Not to mention everything we did.

FIGMENT Of course! You have a place here.

SONNY It's true. Who else would take in a deranged boy scout and overlyoptimistic dragon? And a handsome alien, of course. The goons look at each other and shrug.

DICK TRACY Where else do we gotta be?

Seeker wipes his hands.

SEEKER We can only milk a couple more trips out of this thing before it's as good as Van Eaton fodder.

He extends a hand to Mary.

SEEKER (CONT'D)

Shall we?

SONNY Wait, what? Where's Mary gonna go?

Mary takes a deep breath. Sonny grabs Figment and Buzzy.

SONNY (CONT'D) Fig? Where's Mary going? Buzz? Hello?

Figment and Buzzy are too sad to answer. They look at Mary one last time.

SONNY (CONT'D) I don't understand.

Mary kneels down in front of Sonny.

MARY I gotta go, pal. I couldn't do this forever, y'know?

SONNY I thought you could.

MARY I still have a life out there. I have a family I should see.

SONNY Then how come you barely ever talked about them?

MARY I think you of all people should know about family being difficult. I have some stuff to work out. (MORE) MARY (CONT'D) I thought I would never be ready, but you helped change that.

Sonny smiles.

MARY (CONT'D) You gave me a family when I didn't have one. I'll never forget that.

SONNY I'm gonna miss you, Mary.

He hugs her. She hears a little SNIFFLE coming from his face buried in her shoulder.

SONNY (CONT'D) Don't tell anyone back in two thousand and six that I'm a softie. I have some important friends around that time.

She laughs.

MARY Your secret is safe with me.

She moves on to Buzzy.

BUZZY You did good out there, Mary.

MARY You did even better! You piloted a whole brain again. By yourself!

BUZZY Yeah, it was your brain.

MARY

Well, let's focus on the positives. You've been through more than anyone I've ever met, and you haven't missed a beat. You even got good at business! If I had the kind of power you did, I could probably move mountains.

He smiles.

BUZZY You do. And I bet you will.

MARY Only if you're there to see it. He pulls out the PIN he picked up and puts it in her hand.

MARY (CONT'D) Your last pin! Are you sure?

BUZZY Something to remember me by.

They hug.

BUZZY (CONT'D) Don't lose your head out there.

She finally reaches Figment.

#### MARY

You helped me realize that I'm still the same person I thought I had lost. That's something no one has ever been able to do.

#### FIGMENT

You have a big heart, Mary. And an even bigger imagination. Just promise me you won't ever let it go to waste.

MARY I could never let it go to waste.

Figment takes the pin from her hand and pins it to her shirt.

FIGMENT

Here.

MARY What are you doing?

FIGMENT With the power vested in me, I officially declare you an Imagineer. (BEAT) I think I have that power.

She looks at the pin. Tears fill her eyes.

MARY Oh, man. I really almost made it without crying. I'm such a chump!

FIGMENT I'm sad, too!

#### MARY

Yeah, sure. You've said goodbye to Dreamfinder how many times? I'm sure my leaving is like a walk in the park at this point.

#### FIGMENT

People can leave. But as long as we keep them around in our imaginations, they're never gone.

She sniffles, and nods.

## MARY

Thank you.

She climbs onboard the time machine. Seeker triggers a flight plan on the console and steps back. The machine slowly RISES INTO THE AIR.

> SONNY Come back and see us sometime, yeah?

MARY Bet on it! I'll be wearing a red shirt! Morning visit! Be sure to --

The time machine FLASHES Mary away, then returns...empty. Seeker dials another number into the machine.

SEEKER Your chariot awaits.

REX What about you? How will you get back?

#### SEEKER

Don't worry about me. Now that I'm in the past, I get to help create the Institute. That means a nicer job, bigger office, two lunches...

He ushers them onto the platform. The 1994 versions of Sonny, Buzzy and Figment wave goodbye.

SEEKER (CONT'D) One, two, time travel for you!

He hits a switch and sends our heroes into the future.

#### EXT. MAGIC KINGDOM - MAIN STREET - NIGHT

Main Street, U.S.A. sits in silence. Lights off. Crickets chirp softly.

# EXT. MAGIC KINGDOM - FANTASYLAND - NIGHT

Water flows into a grotto near a scuttled ship; the figurehead, a sculpture of Ariel, reaches out at the full moon illuminating the land.

#### EXT. MAGIC KINGDOM - LIBERTY SQUARE - NIGHT

The Haunted Mansion rests ominously on its perch overlooking the ornate iron-wrought fence below. Ghosts and ghouls can be heard moaning and cackling. A duck waddles past.

#### INT. STORAGE ROOM - NIGHT

TITLE: "JULY 2020."

Back in the STORAGE ROOM where Figment, Buzzy and Sonny first took the time machine. With a great FLASH, the machine reappears in the corner. Figment and Sonny hop off.

SONNY Well. Now what?

FIGMENT Good question.

BUZZY I have an idea!

SONNY What is it? And does it involve fire?

BUZZY Not this time. I promised not to after the Tiki Room incident.

SONNY That was you?

BUZZY

You're welcome.

FIGMENT What's your idea, Buzz? Buzzy smiles.

CUE MUSIC: "TENDERNESS," GENERAL PUBLIC.

A MONTAGE shows us:

-Buzzy, Figment, Sonny and Snow Queen sweeping the floors of CLUB COOL. Sonny pours a cup of Beverly, and Snow Queen fills it with ice.

-Rex and Figment work on TEST TRACK cars.

-Buzzy and the Cowboy install a support harness above the Yeti in EVEREST.

-Figment in the closed MOUSEGEAR shop. He looks at a large OUTLINE of the Dreamcatcher on the wall; the machine itself is gone.

-Sonny and Tom spit-shine CAROUSEL OF PROGRESS patriarch John, who doesn't look amused.

-Figment, Sonny and Buzzy watch hand-in-hand as guests are allowed back inside.

-Rex sits still in the STAR TOURS queue. A small child watches him until he quickly lights up and waves before returning to his stationary position. The kid's mind is blown.

-Dick Tracy and the Cowboy serve tables inside PLANET HOLLYWOOD as their Manager (now wearing a name badge reading **TYLER**) smiles and watches.

-The S.E.A. holds a secretive meeting deep inside the bowels of BIG THUNDER CANYON. They carry the DREAMCATCHER inside with them.

# INT. COSMIC RAY'S - MORNING

Sonny tunes up his keyboard as Figment sits at a nearby table. Buzzy approaches with a large steaming cup.

BUZZY Nice and hot.

FIGMENT Do you even like coffee, Buzzy?

BUZZY Coffee? No. This is scalding hot water. Buzzy pours the water all over his head.

BUZZY (CONT'D) Ah. That'll slow you down on a Sunday.

SONNY It's Monday, Buzz.

BUZZY

Monday? (CHECKS WATCH) Cripes! I gotta get to work!

FIGMENT You are at work!

BUZZY

No, I'm at Kilomanjaro today. Big Red needs help with a new idea she has for the show. She says it's theatrical dynamite!

He exits through the back door.

SONNY If he needs to stay away from anything, it's dynamite.

Sonny continues pressing keys. They each make a disturbing, shapeless noise.

FIGMENT I think you're still out of tune.

SONNY

Out of what?

They turn their heads towards the entrance, where a CAST MEMBER is seen unlocking the door. Figment flies from his table to Sonny's keyboard.

SONNY (CONT'D) First day back. Are you nervous? (THEN) Hey, shouldn't you be at Imagination?

FIGMENT I'll go right after this. I just wanted to see the crowds with you.

He smiles at Sonny.

Figment turns back to the door.

CUE MUSIC: "OH YOKO!" JOHN LENNON.

We PUSH IN on Figment and Sonny in SLOW-MOTION as the doors are opened. From the POV of a guest, Sonny and Figment lay their eyes on us...with warm, welcoming smiles on their faces.

CUT TO BLACK.

# END OF SHOW.