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INT. CONNORS'S HIGH SCHOOL IN BROOKLYN NEW YORK

The homeroom bell rings loudly and Connor casually walks into the building in no rush.

His shirt is untucked and his tie is draped over his shoulder.

On his way to his locker, he stops in the middle of the hallway to check his phone.

The dean Mr. Stevens approaches Connor.

MR. STEVENS

Connor... do you realize that the bell rang about five minutes ago.

CONNOR

(Shut the fuck up)

I do!

MR. STEVENS

So let's go.

CONNOR

(Laughing)

Yes sir!

Connor makes his way to his locker to put away his belongings while still glued to his phone.

By the time Connor makes his way to homeroom, the first class bell rings. Connor heads to the cafeteria instead of class.

INT. SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Connor walks to the back corner, as usual and puts on his headphones as soon as he sits down.

Punk music plays.

Mr. Stevens walks in the cafeteria, looks around, and finally notices Connor in the back.

He approaches him.

MR. STEVENS

I'll get right to the point, why aren't you in class?

CONNOR

Hmm, maybe because I don't fucking wanna be in class!?

MR. STEVENS

Excuse me?

CONNOR

You're excused.

MR. STEVENS

Follow me.

Mr. Stevens takes Connor to his office.

INT. MR. STEVENS OFFICE

Connor walks into the office and sits down comfortably, like he's been there numerous times before.

Connor has a smile on his face and ${\tt Mr.}$ Stevens has the opposite.

MR. STEVENS

Just tell me why Connor.

CONNOR

...Why what?

MR. STEVENS

Why is everything always an issue with you?

CONNOR

Listen Carl, I was minding my business for once and you came over and got in MY face.

MR. STEVENS

(Raises his voice)

You are to call me by my last name, YOU HEAR ME.

CONNOR

Okay...my apologies Carl.

MR. STEVENS

Get out!

INT. CLASSROOM, WORLD HISTORY

Connor leaves the office and returns to class for the day, pissed off, Connor sits in the back corner.

His teacher Ms. Adams notices right away and gives Connor an attitude.

MS. ADAMS

Good morning Connor, we were just talking about Chapter 11, I assume that you read this last night for homework.

CONNOR

Of course I read it Ms. Adams.

MS. ADAMS

That's wonderful, care to explain to the class what it's about?

CONNOR

(Sighs)

I would love to...except I don't remember what it was about.

Ms. Adams gives a little smirk and shakes her head like she already knew that was going to happen.

MS. ADAMS

See me after class.

The bell rings and Connor hurries to the door, but not before Ms. Adams calls Connor over to talk.

MS. ADAMS

So... didn't do your homework.

CONNOR

(sincerely)

You know I really just wasn't up for it last night, I wasn't feeling like myself.

MS. ADAMS

Unacceptable, I'll be telling Mr. Stevens, you'll hear from him later.

CONNOR

(Under his breath)

Wonderful.

INT. SCHOOL BATHROOM

Connor looks at himself in the mirror, his eyes are a bit red. He splashes water on his face and just looks in the mirror for just a few seconds when his friend Alex walks in and startles him.\

ALEX

What's up bro.

Pff not much, same shit you know.

ALEX

Yeah, of course.

CONNOR

Uhm I gotta get to class, I'll see you later.

Connor walks down the hall with his headphones on, looking at the ground with his head down.

Out of the corner of his eye he notices Mr. Stevens, he tries to avoid him by walking the other way.

MR. STEVENS

Not so fast.

CONNOR

(To himself)

Fuck.

MR. STEVENS

Office. Now.

Connor walks down the hall, as slow as possible, back to Mr. Steven's office.

Mr. Stevens walks in and shuts the door behind him.

MR. STEVENS

You know, I've had it with you.

CONNOR

Are you kidding. I didn't even do anything wrong this time. I didn't do my homework, big deal. I wasn't disrespectful.

MR. STEVENS

Your attitude needs to change. Get out I'm calling your mother.

CONNOR

Go ahead.

MR. STEVENS

Get out.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE - AFTERNOON

Connor arrives home after school, his mother Ann (52) is waiting for him at the kitchen table.

ANN

Connor, wanna explain?

CONNOR

What am I explaining?

ANN

Uh you're explaining why I received a phone call from your dean.

Connor chuckles under his breath.

CONNOR

I didn't do shit!

ANN

(On the verge of tears.)
DO you know how hard it is for me to keep sticking up for you?

Connor's face changes drastically, you can see his seriousness in his eyes.

ANN CONT.

Connor I love you, I do, but something needs to change. I cannot be worried this much about what trouble you're in when I have so much going on in my life right now.

CONNOR

I...

ANN

Do you wanna fill out my divorce papers, do you wanna go to the courthouse to pay your tickets, do you wanna spend all day helping me look for a job?!

CONNOR

Okay relax.

ANN

FUCK OFF CONNOR...AND FUCK YOUR FATHER TOO.

Connor does not say a word and storms off to his room. He slams his door and starts knocking everything of his desk so his mother knows how frustrated he is.

INT. CONNOR'S BEDROOM - MORNING

Connor wakes up and hears his mother on the phone was his aunt Mary (58), again, she is on the verge of crying, you are able to hear it in her voice.

ANN

(On the phone)

... I don't know what to do about him anymore, where did I go wrong, WHAT did I do wrong?

AUNT MARY

(On the phone)

Don't blame yourself...sit him down for a talk, he's an adult now and I think he will understand.

ANN

Alright I'll give you a call tomorrow or something, talk to you later.

Connor's mother looks at the clock on the oven.

ANN

Holy shit CONNOR GET UP.

CONNOR

I'm up, I'm up.

After waking up, Connor sits on the edge of his bed. He begins to think of his mother's phone conversation over and over again.

His eyes get a tiny bit watery, but he does't quite cry.

Connor looks up at his dresser and sees a picture from when he was little with his mother and father.

Now Connor cries.

His mother bangs on the door.

ANN

CONNOR!

(Choked up)

Coming.

EXT. CONNORS'S HIGH SCHOOL STEPS

Connor walks up to school, stops and decides to walk back across the street in front of the park and sit on a bench.

He pulls a joint out of his backpack and lights it up.

CONNOR

(To himself)

Much needed.

Connor hears the first bell ring.

CONNOR

(To himself)

Shit.

Mr. Stevens walks out of the building to close the front doors and notices Connor across the street.

CONNOR

(To himself)

Fuuuck.

Mr. Stevens walks over with a smirk on his face.

CONNOR

Wait just wait, I was about to walk in I'm sorry, actually.

MR. STEVENS

Smoking weed? On school property? Oh I cannot wait to call your mother.

CONNOR

Please, I really was about to go to homeroom I promise.

MR. STEVENS

Ohh in that case...don't even bother going to school today.

CONNOR

No, c'mon, I'm going in right now look.

MR. STEVENS

Goodbye Connor.

(Under his breath)

Fuck you.

MR. STEVENS

Excuse me?

CONNOR

(Loudly)

Fuck. You.

Connor walks away.

Mr. Stevens, with a sly smile is shaking his head.

Connor tries to run home as quick as he can, before Mr. Stevens gets the chance to call his mother.

Connor busts in the door.

CONNOR

Did...

ANN

Yep.

CONNOR

He called?

ANN

Yep.

CONNOR

Please listen, I'm sorry. I had every intention on going through a normal day of school. I just sat down for one second to relax.

ANN

Smoking? 50 feet from school?

CONNOR

Okay yeah that was not smart but I promise I had good intentions for today.

ANN

(Sighs)

After everything I told you yesterday.

CONNOR

I'm sorry.

INT. CONNOR'S BEDROOM

Connor looks at himself in the mirror, he is visually mad at himself.

Connor sits on the edge of his bed with his head on his knees.

Connor is upset and is having a hard time controlling his emotions as usual.

ANN

Going to the store. Stay the fuck out of trouble for once Connor.

EXT. CONNOR'S HOUSE

Connor slams the door and starts jogging back to school with a frustrated look on his face, he begins to pick up the pace and he starts running.

He walks into his school, runs straight up the stairs to Mr. Stevens' office.

CONNOR

Fuck you.

MR. STEVENS

(Chuckles)

Excuse me mister.

CONNOR

I did nothing fucking wrong.

MR. STEVENS

You were caught smo...

CONNOR

The fucks wrong with that, I was not bothering anyone.

MR. STEVENS

(Sarcastic)

It's okay, we all make mistakes!

CONNOR

You are fucking my life up more than it already is!

MR. STEVENS

Guess you shouldn't have been smoking pot than huh.

You have no...

MR. STEVENS

(On The verge of

laughing.)

Get the fuck out of the building before you're in even more trouble.

EXT. CONNORS'S HIGH SCHOOL

Connor heads out of the building. He gets just two steps out of the door when Mr. Stevens yells his name.

MR. STEVENS

Connor, your forgot your...

Connor gets visibly angry.

CONNOR

(To himself)

Fuck you.

MR. STEVENS

CONNOR!

CONNOR

Fuck you.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE

Connor gets home, expecting his mother to still be out running errands. His mother Ann, is sitting at the kitchen table crying.

CONNOR

Holy shit what happened.

ANN

Nothing Connor, just go to your room please, or anywhere but here right now.

CONNOR

Mom, I'm sorry, I only went back to school because I was so pissed off that I even got in trouble the first time when I was doing my best not to.

ANN

(While crying.)

Do you think this is fucking easy Connor, I know you love him but your father doesn't fucking help with anything.

CONNOR

Relax.

ANN

No, you have no idea what it's like to be in my position, your father doesn't help with shit!

CONNOR

Don't you dare talk shit about Dad, he's done more for me than you ever have.

ANN

(Laughing sarcastically) Get out!

CONNOR

And go where?

ANN

Connor I really don't care, get
out!

Connor starts to walk away.

ANN CONT.

I do everything for you! How dare you!

Ann continues to cry in the background as Connor grabs a bag of weed and papers from his jacket pocket and storms out of the house.

Connor's mom picks up the phone to call her sister.

ANN CONT.

(On the phone)

I don't know what to do with him anymore, I was planning on sitting him down and having a talk today but he decided to go pull this shit today at school and now I'm even more lost.

AUNT MARY

How about I come over and we'll talk to him together.

ANN

I think he'll like that even less.

AUNT MARY

You know what, you're right, maybe it would be better if it was just you.

ANN

Yeah I think it needs to happen tomorrow.

EXT. CONNOR'S HOUSE SUNSET

Connor walks back in right after his mother already finished eating dinner alone.

Connor looks at his mother quickly then walks right into his room.

Ann is visibly upset that Connor didn't even speak to her.

Connor is upset as well, nothing is right in his life, he stands up and punches a hole through his wall.

ANN

What the fuck Connor.

CONNOR

Leave. Me. Alone.

Ann's phone rings, she walks out to the kitchen to pick it up.

It's Connor's father that left them five months ago.

ANN

Mark?

Connor hears his name mentioned and rushes to put his ear up against his bedroom door.

MARK

(On the phone)

Hello, Ann.

ANN

You know you have a lot of fucking nerve calling me right now.

MARK

(On the phone)

Excuse me?

ANN

I'm going to hang up now.

MARK

(On the phone)

No wait.

ANN

Why?

MARK

(On the phone)

I wanna talk to Connor.

ANN

Get the fuck outta here, goodbye.

Connor's eyes widen when he hears his name over the phone.

He busts out of his room but the phone call is already over.

CONNOR

Was that Dad?! Did he just say my fucking name?

ANN

No he did not.

CONNOR

Yes he fucking did I just heard him, don't lie to me.

ANN

Connor, what are you talking about.

CONNOR

STOP LYING. I just overheard the phone call.

ANN

Ugh ALRIGHT, FINE he asked to talk to you.

CONNOR

ARE YOU KIDDING

Ann shakes her head.

CONNOR CONT.

And WHY wouldn't you come and get me?

ANN

Connor, you should not give that man a minute of your time, let alone enough time to listen to the bullshit he was about to spew.

CONNOR

(Angry)

He asked to talk to me. You should have let him. I don't even have his number...BECAUSE OF YOU.

ANN

You don't need his number, he's a piece of shit.

CONNOR

(Loudly)

Don't fucking talk about my father like that!

ANN

Oh please

CONNOR

If he's a piece of shit, what does that make you?

ANN

That's how you're gonna talk to me? After everything I do for you, what the fuck does he do, NAME ONE THING!

Connor looks away.

ANN CONT.

Get out of my sight.

Connor grabs his backpack, shoves in a sweatshirt, a bottle of water and a little bag of weed.

CONNOR

And go where?

ANN

To be honest, I don't care.

Connor keeps walking.

ANN CONT.

How about you go find your father, you know since he does everything for you and I do nothing.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE - NIGHT

It's now about 10:30 at night and Connor is hoping his mother is asleep.

The door loudly creeks as Connor tries to open it up slowly.

Connor's mom Ann opens her eyes as she wakes up from sleeping on the couch.

CONNOR

Hi, good night.

Ann just looks at Connor and puts her head down and closes her eyes again.

INT. CONNOR'S KITCHEN - MORNING

Connor and his mother both sit down at the table, no words are spoken for at least 10 minutes.

CONNOR

I'm sorry.

ANN

It's fine.

CONNOR

It's...fine?

Connor gives Ann a look of confusion.

CONNOR CONT

What's that mean?

 \mathtt{ANN}

Nothing Connor, have a good day at school!

Connor stands up from the table, shoves his belongings into his backpack, and then walks out the front door slamming it behind him.

CONNOR

(TO HIMSELF)

FUCK!

He puts on his headphones and the "Sex Pistols" start to play.

When Connor arrives at school, Mr. Stevens is at the front door.

MR. STEVENS

Good morning Connor, how are you on this fine morning.

Connor does not hear him with his music blasting through his headphones.

Mr. Stevens grins after Connor does not respond to him.

He approaches Connor at his locker.

MR. STEVENS

Connor! Question.

CONNOR

Yeah?

MR. STEVENS

Do you think it's alright to ignore your elders when they speak to you?

CONNOR

Uhhh, I'm gonna go with no?

MR. STEVENS

That's what I thought.

CONNOR

Why?

MR. STEVENS

Well, because when you walked into the building about 10 minutes ago, I said "Good Morning" and you simply had no response.

CONNOR

(Laughing)

Are you serious, that's what this is about.

Mr. Stevens' face gets even more serious.

MR. STEVENS

Yes.

Oh you can't be serious, I was just wearing headphones, that's all.

MR. STEVENS

Oh, it's okay, you'll have all the time in the world to use those headphones later on ... in detention.

Connor lets out a soft chuckle as he ambles down the hallway.

Connor enters his science class, the first of the day.

Today they are on the psychology chapter.

His teacher, Ms. Keller (59) addresses the class.

MS. KELLER

Please open up to Chapter 7, "Divorce and Problems in a Home"

Connor rolls his eyes then looks out the window.

As the class goes on Connor keeps his head down.

MS. KELLER

Divorce is very tough and no one should have to go through that a young age, but sometimes it happens. However, the adults that put it off and make their children suffer are nothing but selfish.

Connor immediately stands up.

CONNOR

(To the entire class) My father is NOT selfish.

Everyone looks around and does not know what to say.

CONNOR CONT

(Outraged)

It was all my mother, she was the one who kept putting it off!

MS. KELLER

Alright Connor, I was not talking about anyone specifically I'm sorry if that offended you.

And for the record there is nothing wrong with me, maybe my parents are fucked up but I'm not. And especially not my dad, nor is he fucking selfish.

MS. KELLER

It's time for you to leave, you are NOT to talk to me like that.

Connor gets called to the deans office over the loudspeaker.

INT. MR. STEVENS OFFICE

Mr Stevens sits down behind his desk aggressively.

MR. STEVENS

How many times are we gonna do this.

Connor's eyes begin to tear up.

CONNOR

(Choked up)

You don't know how fucking hard this is.

Connor now begins to cry.

CONNOR

Everyday I have to go through so much at home just to come into school to deal with all of this extra bullshit.

MR. STEVENS

What are you talking about?

Connor keeps his head down.

MR. STEVENS

(Scincerley)

You know what, let's take a walk.

Connor and Mr. Stevens take a walk to the park across the street from the school.

EXT. PARK - DAY

No words are spoken for the first few minutes.

MR. STEVENS

Alright so... what's up.

A lot.

MR. STEVENS

Well let's get t the bottom of this.

Connor laughs.

MR. STEVENS

No, I'm serious.

CONNOR

Why should I tell you.

MR. STEVENS

Because I probably have more in common with you than you think.

CONNOR

Every morning I think, what If.

MR. STEVENS

What if what?

CONNOR

What If my life was normal, like all of my other friends.

MR. STEVENS

It what way?

CONNOR

Having parents that got along, I want to go home and be happy. Instead all I fucking see is two people that despise each other.

MR. STEVENS

I mean I under...

CONNOR

No, you don't, because that's not even the worst part. It's the fact that I'M the one that's being put in the middle of all of this shit.

Mr. Stevens' eyes widen.

CONNOR CONT.

I'm told to hate my mom by my dad and I'm told to hate my dad by my mom and it's a never ending cycle.

MR. STEVENS

I didn't know.

The two of them sit on a bench for a while, no words are spoken.

MR. STEVENS

You know, that sounds all too familiar to me.

Connor glances at Mr. Stevens.

MR. STEVENS

Oh I'm serious.

Connor gets up from the bench quuickly.

CONNOR

Alright, I'm gonna go now, I don't need to hear any more bullshit from you.

MR. STEVENS

What?

CONNOR

I don't need your pity.

MR. STEVENS

I'm just trying to talk right now, you can think of me as a friend.

Connor wipes his eyes.

CONNOR

Fuck no.

MR. STEVENS

Let's just sit down again, how about that?

CONNOR

No. I'm Good.

MR. STEVENS

C'mon.

CONNOR

Why should I talk to you as a "friend" when you live to get me in trouble.

MR. STEVENS

Connor that's not the case.

Yes it is, even when I'm not guilty, I try to explain myself and you still don't give a fuck.

MR. STEVENS

Connor...

CONNOR

What!?

MR. STEVENS

Forget that, I didn't know all of this was going on. My parents split when I was super young too, I grew up taking sides, it's really shitty, it is.

Connor begins to wipe his eyes again, he begins to gradually walk faster and faster.

MR. STEVENS

Hold on, hold on.

Connor is full out sobbing again.

Connor stops moving and just sits down on the concrete path by the water.

MR. STEVENS CONT.

Let's take an actual seat over here.

Connor has no resction.

Mr. Stevens sits down.

Connor finally follows.

MR. STEVENS

(Friendly)

I got all day, we can sit here as long as you like, or as long as you need.

Connor gives him a half smile.

MR. STEVENS CONT.

We'll get through this.

Connor continues to look at the horizon.

Mr. Stevens pats him on the back.

Times goes on and no one says a word.

INT. MR. STEVENS OFFICE

MR. STEVENS

Are you okay to go home?

CONNOR

Uh huh.

Connor walks out of the room.

EXT. CONNOR'S HOUSE

Connor walks down the driveway and sits on the steps of his house and looks into the distance.

His mother walks outside.

ANN

Hi Connor.

CONNOR

What did I do now.

ANN

No nothing, come inside it's cold out.

CONNOR

Sure.

Ann visibly keeps swallowing her words.

INT. CONNOR'S KITCHEN

ANN

Hey Connor can we talk quick, I have some stuff on my mind and think that you might too.

CONNOR

Uhm yeahhh I guess.

ANN

Okay...well.

Connor's phone dings.

CONNOR

Hold on one sec.

ANN

Okay.

Connor puts down his phone.

CONNOR

(Rushing out the door)

Kyle wants to hangout I will be back in a few hours.

ANN

Ugh alright.

EXT. KYLE'S HOUSE

Kyle runs out of his front door and slams it shut behind him.

CONNOR

What up bro.

KYLE

Ight, listen to this, I have the sickest idea.

KYLE

You know where Mr. Stevens' office is right?

CONNOR

Yeah, second floor in the front corner right.

KYLE

Yep

CONNOR

Why?

KYLE

Well I ran to the deli before and...

CONNOR

And what bro?

KYLE

He left his window open.

CONNOR

No fucking way.

KYLE

Uh huh.

CONNOR

Alright so what's the plan.

That's where you come in. I got no idea.

CONNOR

Whatever it is, it's gotta be fucked up.

KYLE

Agreed.

Connor and Kyle look around, the only store in sight is the deli on the corner.

CONNOR

Take a look in the deli?

KYLE

Sure.

INT. DELI

Connor and Kyle begin looking around frantically.

CONNOR

Fruit?

KYLE

Nah too boring.

CONNOR

Cookies?

KYLE

Bro what, are you trying to ruin his day or give him a fucking snack.

CONNOR

Ha-ha good one.

KYLE

YES!

CONNOR

What?

KYLE

Eggs!

CONNOR

Yes.

You buy a dozen and I buy a dozen?

CONNOR

How about I buy 4 and you buy 4.

KYLE

Geez.

CONNOR

I thought you wanted to ruin his fucking day.

KYLE

Not only are we gonna ruin his day but we're gonna ruin his fucking office too. I'm in.

Connor and Kyle buy the store out of eggs and begin to walk towards school.

CONNOR

Let's hope the window is still open.

KYLE

Why wouldn't it, it was open at 7:00 at night who would've closed it?

CONNOR

Janitor?

KYLE

He doesn't get paid enough to give a fuck about checking every window.

CONNOR

Ehh, true.

The two approach the school building.

CONNOR CONT.

It's open!

KYLE

What I say?

CONNOR

Alright well... fuck it!

Connor launches an egg through the open window.

Whoah. At least go behind a bush or something.

CONNOR

You're right.

The two finish their whole supply of eggs.\

KYLE

Nice now let's get the fuck out of here.

They run all the way home.

INT. KYLE'S HOUSE

The two of them are sitting on the floor in Kyle's bedroom.

CONNOR

Bro that was too funny.

KYLE

For real, I can't wait to see his reaction tomorrow.

CONNOR

I know right.

Both of them fall asleep.

EXT. KYLE'S HOUSE

It's now the next morning and Connor and Kyle begin their walk to school.

CONNOR CONT.

I cannot wait for this reaction.

KYLE

You're telling me.

They are now about three blocks from school.

CONNOR

Is that caution tape?

KYLE

Uh I don't know.

They get about a block closer.

CONNOR

Holy shit it is caution tape.

It looks like half the building is burnt!

Connor sharply turns his head and looks at Kyle.

KYLE

Nah there is no way. We through eggs, not matches.

CONNOR

Yeah I guess.

KYLE

What do you mean you guess.

They are even closer to school now.

CONNOR

Dude, I do not like this.

Their friends Aaron calls to them from across the street.

AARON

What up boys?

Aaron crosses the street.

AARON

Did you guys hear about the fire.

KYLE

Nope, not till now.

Kyle keeps walking away.

AARON

Yeah, I heard a lamp fell over in one of the offices, shit's crazy.

Aaron is down the street now.

CONNOR

You think it was in Stevens' office?

KYLE

No fucking way relax.

CONNOR

What if we knocked it over?

KYLE

I mean I don't think...

Connor stops walking.

KYLE CONT.

Alright, let's head home just in case.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE

The two sit on around the kitchen table, neither says a word.

They hear a heavy knock on the door.

CONNOR

Uh oh.

KYLE

Relax, I'll get it.

There is tall man in a button up shirt at the door with a badge hanging on his waste.

DETECTIVE 1

Are you Connor Adams?

KYLE

That's Connor.

Kyle points to the table.

DETECTIVE 1

So that makes you Kyle Anderson?

KYLE

Yes why?

ANN

(From her bedroom)
Connor who was at the door?

DETECTIVE 1

The two of you under arrest for arson. You have the right to remain silent. If you do say anything, it can be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to have a lawyer present during any questioning. If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you if you so desire.

ANN

WHAT THE FUCK CONNOR!

The detective puts the two of them in cuffs.

ANN

YOU CAN'T TAKE HIM, YOU CAN'T TAKE THEM.

EXT. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Connor's mom pulls up to the station, she signs paperwork and does not say a word to Connor.

The whole car ride home is silent.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE

ANN

No fucking words for you, NO FUCKING WORDS.

CONNOR

I'm...

ANN

Good fucking night Connor.

INT. CONNOR'S KITCHEN - MORNING

Connor eats a bowl of oatmeal and get ready for school.

ANN CONT.

Nope, you're home today.

CONNOR

What?

ANN

We are having a serious talk.

CONNOR

I'm good.

ANN

No you are not good, are you kidding.

There is a knock on the front door.

A man in firefighter gear walks in and introduces himself as captain Bill.

CAPTAIN BILL

Nice to meet you Connor.

What the fuck is this.

ANN

We're just gonna have a conversation.

CAPTAIN BILL

Conor with all do respect I don't know your situation or anything like that but I need you to listen to one thing. That lamp that you and Kyle knocked over caused a fire obviously, but there were two janitors that were trapped in the neighboring office that almost didn't make it out.

CONNOR

I mean I didn't know, it was just supposed to me a harmless prank.

CAPTAIN BILL

It wasn't harmless, think about that for a little bit.

Bill stands up and pushes in his chair and heads for the door.

CAPTAIN BILL CONT.

Have a good day Connor.

He leaves.

CONNOR

What the fuck was that about bringing him here.

ANN

Maybe now you'll learn your lesson.

INT. CONNOR'S HOUSE - MORNING

Connor walks out of his room.

CONNOR

Hey mom, can we talk a second

ANN

Sure.

All of last night I thought about what captain Bill said and I can't escape the thought of knowing I almost really hurt people.

ANN

I'm glad you realize.

CONNOR

Yes so I've decided I'm done with school.

ANN

Excuse me?

CONNOR

No I mean I wanna be a firefighter, that's what I wanna do!

ANN

What Connor?!

CONNOR

Look, I know you don't like him but this is what dad did and he loved it, I put those people at risk and I didn't like the way that felt. Fuck Mr. Stevens', fuck school and fuck this. I'm calling MY dad, I'll talk to you later>

Connor walks out of the front door.