ACT ONE

EXT. WAGSTAFF SCHOOL - AFTERNOON

TINA BELCHER, GENE BELCHER, and LOUISE BELCHER are exiting the front doors of the school with several other students.

GENE

Friday! My favorite day of the week that's also a Rebecca Black song!

LOUISE

Ugh, it's still a day of the week we have to go to school, so it's in the bottom five for me.

TTNA

I don't mind going to school, because I get to look at Jimmy Jr. in homeroom.

(then)

Although, I guess I could just go on Instagram at home, but it's not the same.

Suddenly, RUDY runs up to them, wheezing between each word. The kids stop walking at the bottom of the stairs.

RUDY

(wheezing)

Hey! Guys! Did you hear?
 (wheezes yet again)
Oh, God.

LOUISE

Hey, Regular-Sized Rudy, slow down, it's officially the weekend.

Rudy takes a hit from his inhaler.

RUDY

Oh, that's the good stuff.

(then)

Did you hear about that bad review of your dad's restaurant?

LOUISE

What!? What bad review?

GENE

I refuse to believe it! Unless you show proof.

Rudy pulls out his phone.

RUDY

I got it right here!

GENE

I now believe!

TINA

(reading)

Bob's Burgers is a death sentence disguised as a burger joint.

(then)

Okay, a little harsh at the top. (reading again)

If you choose to order their infamous Chinchilla Chicken Cheeseburger, you may as well start telling your kids who gets to keep your vintage watch collection after you kick the bucket on the toilet mere minutes after devouring this landmine of a burger. One star.

(then)

Not gonna lie, the writer's vivid imagery and specificity kind of took me out of it.

LOUISE

A chinchilla cheeseburger!? Yuck! Who would even eat that?

GENE

I'd eat it. I like a good alliteration.

TINA

I haven't seen Dad cook any chinchillas. I mean, my hope for him hasn't stooped that low.

RUDY

Well, the people at ThemeParkEnthusiast.com were less than thrilled with your dad's burger.

LOUISE

It's not our dad's burger! He doesn't even serve that!

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Maybe it was his Burger of the Day?

TINA

No, there's no pun in the name...

RUDY

I don't eat at your dad's place, how would I know any of this!?

LOUISE

This doesn't even make any sense, what the hell is a Chinchilla Chicken Cheeseburger? And why was the review on ThemeParkEnthusiast.com?

GENE

Maybe because the burger made their digestive track feel like the tilt-a-whirl?

LOUISE

Give me that.

She takes the phone out of Rudy's hand and continues to read as she sits on the bench.

LOUISE (CONT'D)

(reading)

So if you choose to visit
Rodentland, be sure to eat at
literally ay of their other rodentthemed restaurants before even
thinking about ending your life on
a sorry note by quenching your
hunger at this establishment.

GENE

They really went for the kill with that final paragraph.

LOUISE

Rodentland?? That cheap "Chucky Chinchilla" theme park in the city?

TINA

Oh, thank God no chinchillas were actually cooked. It's just a name. Phew.

LOUISE

Rudy, this is a review for a theme park restaurant! It's not even real food!

RUDY

Well, sooo-rrry for caring about my friends! But you should still know that when you search "Bob's Burgers" online, this review is the first thing that pops up.

BELCHER KIDS

Oh no.

RUDY

Yeah, you better do something about this, and soon. I'd hate to watch your dad's restaurant get in trouble. I love that place.

LOUISE

You just said you don't eat there-

RUDY

I'm trying to be supportive!

He wheezes, then takes another hit from his inhaler.

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - SAME TIME

BOB BELCHER is attempting a crossword puzzle while his wife, LINDA BELCHER, sits across from him at the counter. The BURGER OF THE DAY is listed as I BLEU YOU WERE TROUBLE. Suddenly, handyman TEDDY runs into the restaurant in a fit, drastically looking for Bob. Linda turns to Teddy.

TEDDY

Bob! Bobby! Hey, I need your help~
 (to Linda)

Linda, have you seen Bob? I need to see him.

LINDA

Yeah, Teddy, let me see if I can find him.

(turns around) Oh, there he is.

BOB

Teddy, I'm literally right here. Right in front of you.

TEDDY

Oh, yeah. I didn't see you there.

BOB

How could you not-

TEDDY

I'm flustered, Bobby!

LINDA

Teddy! Hey, Teddy, slow down, it's officially the weekend, okay? What's going on?

TEDDY

Bobby, I need you to help me with something, and it's urgent.

BOB

Oh, uh, okay.

TEDDY

I need you to agree to do this!

BOB

I kinda don't want to say yes until I know what it is-

TEDDY

Just say yes, Bob!

LINDA

He sounds serious, Bobby.

BOB

Okay, okay! What is it?

TEDDY

I need you to be a guest on my podcast.

BOB

What?

LINDA

Oh, how exciting! I love podcasts! I'm listening to a true crime one right now about a murder, and so far, I think the creepy guy did it.

BOB

That's it? You just want me to be a guest on your podcast?

TEDDY

Yeah, it's called Teddy Talks Shop. It's like I'm combining TedTalks and the phrase "talk shop."

BOB

It kind of feels like a hat on a hat-

LINDA

So what's it about?

TEDDY

Basically I talk to my friends who own their own businesses and ask how they do it. And maybe we play charades or something at the end, I haven't figured it all out yet.

BOB

But you don't have many friends-

TEDDY

I know, that's why I asked you! You gotta do it and then other people will do it!

BOB

Why did you say it was urgent?

TEDDY

Because I didn't think you'd say yes if it wasn't!

BOB

Well, uh, you're right, I wouldn't have-

Linda joins Bob behind the counter.

LINDA

I think you should do it. It'll be fun, a step outside your comfort zone.

BOB

I don't know, I'm not a huge "talker" or anything. I really think you should do it instead, it's more of your thing.

LINDA

No, Bobby, come on, the restaurant is called "Bob's Burgers," I'm not gonna take away your spotlight, this is your moment!

(then)

(MORE)

LINDA (CONT'D)

Besides, you're a white guy, and that's kind of who podcasts are by and for.

TEDDY

Bobby come on!

BOB

Okay, fine. I'll do it.

Teddy gets up to leave.

TEDDY

Okay, great. I'll swing by after work tomorrow with my podcast equipment. Could I take some of these napkins?

BOB

Uh, okay? For what?

TEDDY

To clean up my equipment!

BOB

Okay, okay! Just take a couple.

Teddy takes the entire napkin dispenser.

LINDA

Bye, Teddy! (to Bob)

A podcast! That sounds fun.
Besides, it'll get the word out
there! Free publicity, Bobby!

BOB

I really needed those napkins.

INT. BELCHER HOUSEHOLD DINING ROOM - THAT NIGHT

The Belcher family sits at the table, eating what looks like steak and potatoes. Bob holds up a roll of paper towels, rips one off, and wipes his mouth with it before setting it down on the table.

BOB

Kids, do you know anyone who listens to podcasts?

LOUISE

Aren't podcasts what old radio deejays host to stay relevant because radio is a dying industry?

BOB

Louise, that's not true. I mean, the second part is. But anyone can host a podcast.

GENE

Even me? I'd do one where I rank my farts throughout the day on a scale of Silent But Deadly to Manhattan Project.

LINDA

Oh, I'd listen to that! It sounds historical.

BOB

Gene-

TINA

Why do you ask? Are you gonna make us all do a family podcast? Because therapy might be more effective.

BOB

What? No- wait, do you think we need family therapy?

LOUISE

Let's not unpack this right now-okay, Dad?

LINDA

Your father's gonna be the very first guest on Teddy's podcast! Isn't that exciting?

TINA

Teddy has a podcast?

GENE

Did <u>he</u> used to be on the radio?

BOB

Gene, not all podcasts hosts are old people who used to be on the radio.

LOUISE

Yeah, it's probably only a little more than half.

BOB

Okay, this conversation is only proving to me that no one your age actually listens to podcasts.

LINDA

So what? We don't need to promote the show to the younger demographic, we'll bring in an older crowd. Come on, what am I always saying?

BOB

I should invest in some nasal strips?

LINDA

No, the other thing.

BOB

Oh, there's no such thing as bad publicity.

LINDA

Right! There's no such thing as bad publicity.

BELCHER KIDS

Uhhhhh...

Tina begins choking on her food, only to spit it out seconds later.

TINA

I'm fine, I'm fine.

(then)

Thank you all for jumping in to rescue me.

BOB

Wait, why did you all react like that?

LOUISE

Okay, who's gonna tell him?

BOB

Tell me what?

GENE

I'll do it! I'll fall on the sword! Dad, someone posted a bad review of Bob's Burgers and it's the first that pops up when you search on Google!

(then)

Wow, I feel like a hero.

BOB

What!?

LINDA

Bobby, calm down. It can't be that bad.

TINA

If it makes you feel any better, it isn't even about your restaurant. It's about a different Bob's Burgers in that theme park Rodentland.

BOB

Theme park food? It's not even real food!

LOUISE

That's what I said!

TINA

By the way, you're- you're not cooking chinchillas are you?

BOB

What?

TINA

Never mind.

BOB

Oh, God. I think I'm gonna pass out-

LINDA

Bobby, no, not at the dinner table. Let me bring you to bed.

Linda crouches herself under Bob's arm and walks him out.

LINDA (CONT'D)

(calling out)

Kids! Finish your dinner and then do the dishes, okay? I'm gonna take care of your father!

The kids look at each other.

LOUISE

I can't believe that news made Dad so upset. You know what we have to do now, right?

GENE

The dishes?

TINA

Finish our dinner?

LOUISE

No, we gotta go to Rodentland tomorrow and convince them to get rid of their Chinchilla Chicken Cheeseburger. We'll Uber there with Mom's credit card and be back before dark.

TINA

Oh, yeah, that could be fun.

GENE

Count me in! As long as we also get to ride the bumper cars.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - THE NEXT MORNING

Bob is holding a rag to his head and moaning while Linda sits across from him. The BURGER OF THE DAY is listed as I BLEU YOU WERE TROUBLE (TAYLOR'S VERSION). The kids are heading out the door.

LOUISE

Oof, rough night, Dad?

LINDA

I had to pour salt in his mouth five times to keep him from passing out.

BOB

My tongue...so salty...

Bob leans forward, moaning again. Linda rushes to him.

LOUISE

Alright, well, we're heading out!

LINDA

Wear a jacket!

While Bob drools on the table, Linda takes one of the rolls of paper towels and wipes it off.

LOUISE

There, there, Bobby, it's okay. The review will resolve itself, and when people read it, they'll see it isn't even our place!

(hands him a glass)

Here, drink some water.

In the window, we see the kids pull out their phone, hop into a car that pulls up, and take off speeding.

BOB

W-where are the kids going?

LINDA

I don't know, but I told them to wear a jacket so they should be fine.

At that moment, Teddy runs in with a laptop, a microphone, and some cords. He throws it all down on the counter.

TEDDY

Hey, Bob! You ready?

BOB

Wait, Teddy, we're doing this now?

TEDDY

Yup. Just gotta connect to your WiFi. What's the password? Is it still 12345678?

LINDA

We should really change that.

BOB

I thought you said we would do this after work-

TEDDY

I did! I just finished work!

BOB

Wait, you meant your work?

TEDDY

Yeah, I took a morning shift and then decided this was more important so I took a sick day.

Linda comes behind the counter and puts on an apron.

BOB

Teddy, I have to work in the restaurant. I can't take orders, cook, and answer your questions-

LINDA

Bobby, it's okay. I'll take the orders, you focus on the podcast and cook at the same time! That could be fun, hearing you grunting while flipping the burgers and the sizzle of the grill- oh, so sexy! I'm getting all hot and bothered just thinking about it.

BOB

Okay, fine. Thank you, Linda. We'll get through this togeth-

LINDA

Nah-ah-ah!

BOB

Fine. We'll have a good time together.

LINDA

There's that forced good attitude I love!

Teddy has set up his mic and connected it to his laptop with the cords. He puts on a pair of headphones.

TEDDY

Okay, really quick, I just need to test the audio levels. Scream as loud as you can.

BOB

What?

TEDDY

Just scream!

Bob and Linda both <SCREAM> and Teddy yanks his headphones off.

TEDDY (CONT'D)

That was WAY too loud! Try just speaking at your normal volume.

BOB

Uh, hi, I'm Bob-

TEDDY

Levels are perfect.

EXT. RODENTLAND - AN HOUR LATER

The kids walk around a theme park full of FAMILIES, KIDS, and EMPLOYEES. We see rollercoasters that look like capybaras called the CAPYBARA COASTER, a carousel with kids riding on the backs of various rodents, and a log ride called A BEAVER DAM GOOD TIME! The log ride comes to splash as the kids walk past it. Louise holds a map that is as big as her.

LOUISE

Ugh, why do theme parks always make their maps so big and confusing?

TINA

Do you want me to try refolding it?

LOUISE

Nah, that's a suicide mission. Many have tried, all have failed. We just gotta find Bob's Burgers.

GENE

You think this is it?

Gene points to a building. Louise and Tina look on and their jaws drop. Louise, not taking her eyes off the building, slowly puts the map in a nearby trash can.

LOUISE

Yup, that's it alright.

REVEAL: BOB'S BURGERS, a colorful restaurant stands with a line of people in front of the serving windows. A CARTOON BADGER wearing glasses and a bow tie is on the signage.

TINA

Oh, Bob's a Badger. That's cute.

GENE

Love it!

They walk up to one of the windows and see a middle-aged employee, SHAWN, bespectacled and mustached, greets them.

SHAWN

Why, hello there! I'm Shawn, and welcome to Bob's Burgers, what rodent-themed food item can I get you three today?

TINA

"Rodent-themed food item?" Sounds like the bare minimum was put into that phrase.

LOUISE

Listen here, Shawn, do you know that you're feeding your customers hot piles of death garbage?

SHAWN

Well, uh, here at Rodentland, we don't like to think of our visitors as "customers," we like to think of them as our "guests."

LOUISE

Yeahhhhh you're the only one saying that, Shawn.

GENE

I like it! It makes me feel like I'm about to be sung to by a French candelabra!

LOUISE

Look, our dad owns his own restaurant called "Bob's Burgers" and your food is making his food look bad, so you need to stop serving that burger.

SHAWN

I'm sorry, but it's our most popular item. We can't stop serving that!

LOUISE

Okay, then here's what you do instead. Either change your name, shut your restaurant down, or release an apology video to my dad.

GENE

And a side of fries if possible!

SHAWN

Oh, well, uh- that's a bit above my paygrade...

LOUISE

So who's your boss?

SHAWN

(cheery)

Chucky Chinchilla!

LOUISE

(half-laugh)

Cute. Who's your actual boss?

SHAWN

Uh, if you want you can talk to my coordinator about this.

LOUISE

Alright, where is he?

SHAWN

Over there.

Shawn points to a pimple-y, equally scrawny, brown curly-haired TEENAGE BOY (BRIAN).

LOUISE

Your boss is a teenager?

SHAWN

Yeah, what about it?

LOUISE

Does it feel weird to have to report to someone less than half your age?

SHAWN

(suddenly angry) Who are you, my wife??

LOUISE

Okay, okay! Yeesh. Touchy subject for Shawn over here.

The kids walk away.

TINA

Bye, Shawn.

GENE

Hope things get better with the wife!

LOUISE

Alright, so who wants to go and talk to him? How about you, Tina? (then)

Tina?

Tina is transfixed on the boy, who picks his ear.

TINA (V.O.)

He's so dreamy. And he has a job. I love me a working man.

LOUISE

Tina!

Tina snaps out of it as Louise shakes her.

LOUISE (CONT'D)

Come on! You're the one closest to his age. You gotta get yourself together, stop being hypnotized by boys for two minutes, and go talk to him.

TINA

What? Why do \underline{I} have to?

LOUISE

'Cuz you're the oldest.

GENE

If you didn't want responsibilities, you shouldn't have been born first!

TINA

Aw.

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - SOME TIME LATER

Teddy presses a button on his laptop as Bob sits across from him. Linda sits in a nearby booth.

TEDDY

And with a push of a button, we are now recording.

BOB

Yeah...two hours after you got here...

TEDDY

Welcome to Teddy Talks, a show where me, Teddy, talks to people! And it sounds like TedTalks! See what I did there?

BOB

Oh, God.

TEDDY

Alright, off to a great start. Today, we're joined by the owner and chief restaurant-er of Bob's Burgers, Bob Belcher!

LINDA

Woo-hoo! Go Bobby!

BOB

Uh, hi.

TEDDY

Question one.

BOB

Oh, we're diving right in. Okay.

TEDDY

Why is it called Bob's Burgers?

BOB

You don't know why it's called Bob's Burgers?

TEDDY

I do, this question is for the viewers.

BOB

Listeners.

TEDDY

Oh crap, I messed up!

LINDA

Teddy, you're doing fine! Bobby, answer the question.

BOB

Okay, well, my name is Bob and I make burgers.

TEDDY

Question two.

BOB

Oh, okay. Moving on.

TEDDY

Which kid is your favorite?

BOB

Wait, what?

TEDDY

Is it the one with the bunny ears?

BOB

I'm not answering that question.

Linda raises her hand.

LINDA

I'll answer it! All of them!

BOB

Linda-

TEDDY

Question three.

BOB

Fine.

TEDDY

What should I do about the mole on my back?

BOB

Teddy, what are these questions?!

TEDDY

I'm asking you as a friend, Bob!

BOB

Why?!

TEDDY

Because I'm concerned about it! What do I do?

BOB

I don't know, Teddy! See a dermatologist!

TEDDY

What about the mice in my attic?

BOB

Your what!?

TEDDY

They're scary!

EXT. RODENTLAND GIFT SHOP - SAME TIME

Brian leans against a wall and pops a bubble. Tina approaches.

TINA

Hi, we look to be the same age so I was wondering if I could strike up conversation with you asking what it's like to work here.

BRIAN

You could just say your name next time.

TINA

Wow, you're good. I'm Tina.

BRIAN

Brian.

He pops another bubble.

TINA

So, uh, Brian, what would have to be done around here to get Bob's Burgers to close? You know, hypothetically speaking.

BRIAN

Oh man, I don't want to even think about that. If we announce that we're closing, theme park nerds are gonna riot and go nuts because they DON'T like change.

TINA

Some people really place too much value on nostalgia.

BRIAN

Tell me about it.

(then)

And also, they'd all come to visit and our line would get super long and I don't wanna deal with that.

(then)

But anyway, trust me, we're not closing anytime soon. The only way that this place would possibly close is...

As he continues to talk, we move to...

TINA'S POV: Brian speaks in slow-mo, focusing on his eyes first, then darting to his hair, then darting to his braced mouth and lips. Light shines behind him.

TINA (V.O.)

Come on, Tina. Focus. Keep it together. Try not to get caught up in his beautiful eyes, lush hair, and those lips. Oh, those lips.

Tina is sweating profusely. The boy is no longer in slo-mo.

BRIAN

Yo, girl, you okay?

TINA

Oh, yeah. Sorry, just almost passed out on this sidewalk. You were saying?

BRIAN

I was saying that we at Rodentland follow the four corners: safety, politeness, speed, and performance. Every decision we make is based on those four corners.

TINA

Why are they called corners?

BRIAN

I don't know. What else comes in fours?

TINA

Seasons, classical elements, deadly horsemen-

BRIAN

Anyway, the only way a ride or restaurant at Rodentland would be forced to closed would be if they received an infraction for three of those categories in one day.

(then)

It's a three strikes kind of thing.

TINA

Wow, three? That's kind of a lot.

BRIAN

The biggest one is safety. If we mess up on safety, many people lose their jobs.

(then)

Or maybe politeness. I don't know, they change things a lot here.

TINA

Noted. Well, thanks. I have to pee all of a sudden. Bye now.

BRIAN

Bye. Enjoy your pee.

TINA

I will. I mean, I won't. I mean, I'll have completely neutral feelings about it.

He pops another bubble as Tina runs off.

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

EXT. CAPYBARA COASTER - MOMENTS LATER

Louise stands up on a bench as Gene eats a plate of fries next to her. Tina just stands there.

LOUISE

The four corners? Who came up with that?

GENE

Probably an underpaid human resources intern.

TINA

I actually went and talked to that old guy at the restaurant, Shawn. He said they represent the four corners of Chucky Chinchilla's cage.

(then)

Which seems like a bit of a stretch, right? I mean, why are they putting their mascot in a cage?

LOUISE

Alright team. We need this restaurant shut down, and pronto. There's only one thing left for us to do.

GENE

Free Chucky from his cage?

TINA

Maybe if there's time.

LOUISE

No! We need to sabotage the restaurant. Make sure they fail on as many of those corners as possible.

TINA

By "as many," do you mean three or four?

LOUISE

I have a plan. Huddle up!

The kids form a huddle.

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - SAME TIME

Bob has his hands in his face as Teddy interviews him.

TEDDY

So Bobby, why burgers? Why not other food that starts with the letter "B?" Like blueberries? This could have been Bob's Blueberries.

BOB

If it was Bob's Blueberries, what would we serve?

TEDDY

Blueberries, of course! What else?

BOB

Oh, God.

A CUSTOMER walks in and Linda calls to him. He sits at the counter next to Teddy.

LINDA

Oh, hey! Welcome to Bob's Burgers, what can I get for ya?

(then)

They're doing a podcast, we're very fancy here.

CUSTOMER

Yeah, I'll just have the BLT burger, hold the tomato.

LINDA

BL burger, got it. Hey, Bobby-

BOB

Linda, I heard you. I'm on it.

Bob begins to walk to the kitchen.

TEDDY

Bobby, where you going?

BOB

To the kitchen...to make the burger...

TEDDY

You can't go! We're recording here!

BOB

I have to make the burger, Teddy!

Bob walks through the kitchen door.

TEDDY

But I got all this equipment here!

CUSTOMER

Am I interrupting something?

TEDDY

Wait, Bob, it's okay! I'll interview this customer here!

Teddy slides all of his equipment down to the guy and sits next to him.

CUSTOMER

Um, what's going on?

TEDDY

Okay, what's your name?

CUSTOMER

I'd prefer to remain private-

TEDDY

Would you eat here if this place was called Bob's Blueberries?

CUSTOMER

I'm actually allergic to blueberries, so no.

TEDDY

(angry)

Oh really! What do you have against my friend, Bob? Huh? Huh?

(then)

Be sure to speak your answer into the microphone.

CUSTOMER

Yeah, I'm just gonna go.

LINDA

Wait, don't go! We're already making your BL burger!

Bob sticks his head out the kitchen window.

BOB

What happened?

LINDA

Teddy scared him off.

BOB

I literally just got back here!

TEDDY

Okay, well now that you don't have to cook the burger, come back out here! I got like fifteen more questions.

Bob slams his head on the wall.

BOB

Ugh!

EXT. RODENTLAND - SOME TIME LATER

LOW ANGLE MEDIUM SHOT ON HUDDLE

All the kids are still in the huddle.

LOUISE

Okay, so are we all aware of the plan?

TINA

I think I got it.

GENE

Say it one more time for convenience please.

LOUISE

We sabotage their four corners one at a time. I'll start us off with their first corner. Speed. I'm gonna slow down their operation so fast, they're gonna change their name to Snail-land!

GENE

Oh, shell yeah!

TINA

Good pun, Gene.

GENE

Why, thank you Tina!

CUT TO:

EXT. BOB'S BURGERS (RODENTLAND VERSION) - MOMENTS LATER

SUPER: CORNER #1, SPEED

LOUISE (V.O.)

Corner #1, speed.

Louise approaches the counter and addresses Shawn again.

SHAWN

Welcome back, little bunny!

LOUISE

Okayyyy, we don't know each other that well for you to call me that yet. Back off. Shawm.

SHAWN

Sorry. Are you actually going to order this time?

LOUISE

Yeah, I'll take your infamous Chinchilla Chicken Cheeseburger.

Shawn immediately hands her a burger.

SHAWN

Here you go!

LOUISE

Oh, that's cute. But I was actually gonna order it with no cheese.

Shawn immediately hands her another burger right next to the original burger.

SHAWN

On it!

LOUISE

Uh, and I was thinking without chicken.

SHAWN

Coming right up.

Yet another burger is added to the pile.

LOUISE

Wait, I changed my mind. I do want chicken, but I want the chicken breaded instead of grilled.

SHAWN

Ta-da!

Yet another burger. Burgers continue to pile up in front of Louise throughout this scene until we can no longer see her at the counter.

LOUISE

Do you think I could get one with lettuce?

SHAWN

Bon appétit!

LOUISE

Romaine, not iceberg.

SHAWN

Right here.

LOUISE

Romaine and iceberg?

SHAWN

Too easy.

LOUISE

Can I add Dijon Mustard?

SHAWN

Dijon its way!

LOUISE

On only the bottom bun??

SHAWN

Bottoms up!

LOUISE

Can it be really, really well done?

SHAWN

It really, really can!

LOUISE

Can you put an olive on top?

SHAWN

Olive us can do it!

LOUISE

Okay!! Here's what I want! I want a quadruple patty burger, each cooked at a different temperature, layered with mustard, ketchup, mayonnaise, dill relish from the grocery store, with toasted buns on both the top an bottom, all dipped in chocolate, with a ketchup signature from Chucky himself on a napkin! And, a soda that they don't sell in New Jersey anymore.

Louise turns back to her siblings.

LOUISE (CONT'D)

I think we've got this in the bag!

When she turns around, the burger is already there, exactly as Louise asked.

LOUISE (CONT'D)

Oh come on! How do you have all of these slightly modified and oddlyspecific burgers just ready to go??

SHAWN

Simple! We have our Rodentland College Program employees working insanely quickly for minimal wages! We don't treat them that well, but they get free admission to the park, so everyone wins!

Shawn gestures to a bunch of sickly-looking, baggy-eyed, forced-smiling COLLEGE KIDS quickly cooking every kind of burger imaginable.

COLLEGE KIDS

We love Chucky Chinchilla!

LOUISE

Wow. That is incredibly unsettling.

EXT. RODENTLAND BENCH - MOMENTS LATER

LOW ANGLE MEDIUM SHOT ON HUDDLE

The kids are once again in a huddle.

LOUISE

Okay, that didn't work. We're onto phase two. Gene, you're up.
(MORE)

LOUISE (CONT'D)

Go sneak backstage and put on that Chucky Chinchilla costume and put on a bad show.

GENE

My time has come!

CUT TO:

EXT. BOB'S BURGERS (RODENTLAND VERSION) - MOMENTS LATER

SUPER: CORNER #2, PERFORMANCE

LOUISE (V.O.)

Corner #2, Performance.

Gene emerges from a door that reads RODENTLAND RODENTS ONLY in a CHUCKY CHINCHILLA mascot costume, complete with a baseball cap, overalls, and a bow tie. He begins Fortnite dancing and awkwardly moving through the crowd.

GENE

Hello! It's me, Chucky Chinchilla! I am not only awkwardly Fortnite dancing, but I am talking in the costume! Something that I am most definitely not allowed to do!

Gene walks over to a COUPLE taking a selfie with an ice cream cone and photobombs it.

GENE (CONT'D)

Oh, is that ice cream?

He takes the ice cream and throws it on the floor.

GENE (CONT'D)

And now, I scream in your face!

He <SCREAMS> and waves his arms like a monster.

BOYFRIEND

Oh my god, Chucky Chinchilla is talking!

GIRLFRIEND

This is so cool! We come here all the time and we never see this! Quick, David! Film this!

The couple pulls out a phone and begins filming Gene.

GENE

What? No! I'm not talking, you're just going insane!

BOYFRIEND

Oh this is so much fun!

GENE

This isn't fun! I am gaslighting you! What part of that is fun?

GIRLFRIEND

Everyone! Chucky Chinchilla is saying really funny things!

A CROWD emerges around Gene, who tries to escape the crowd.

GENE

No! No! Leave me alone! You're all supposed to be repulsed by this performance!

RANDOM CROWD MEMBER

We never see mascot characters talk! That's not allowed!

ANOTHER RANDOM CROWD MEMBER

I wish we did more often! This is great!

The crowd starts cheering.

GENE

Noooo! I was too entertaining! I committed too hard to the performance and actually did a good job! Get away from me!

He tries to run through the crowd but immediately runs into a trash can, knocking it over. The crowd laughs and applauds.

CROWD

Chucky! Chucky! Chucky!

Tina and Louise look on.

LOUISE

Well, that was a bust.

TINA

You think this'll end up online?

LOUISE

Almost definitely.

EXT. RODENTLAND BENCH - SOME TIME LATER

Tina sits on the bench with Gene, who is covered in trash, while Louise paces.

LOUISE

I can't believe they actually liked your stupid performance!

GENE

My fame was short lived, which is good because fame is one intoxicating drug.

TINA

Maybe we should just call it quits. I mean, we already failed at failing two of the corners. We failed at failing. That's never a good sign.

LOUISE

Come on guys! We gotta get serious. Tina, what did the boy say was the most important corner?

TINA

Uh, he wasn't sure if it was safety or politeness, which seemed like a really big red flag for their company's business practices.

LOUISE

Let's play it safe and say it was safety. Tina, time to do something unsafe and take this theme park restaurant down!

TINA

You want me to play it safe by doing something unsafe?

GENE

Oh, dramatic irony!

TINA

I was kinda hoping we could go with politeness, you know, because I don't really want to injure myself. I like my body being in one piece and all.

Louise puts her shoulders on Tina.

LOUISE

Come on, Tina. All you have to do is get your finger caught in a door or trip on a spilled tray of food or something.

GENE

Can I be the one to spill it?

TINA

Uhhhhh...

LOUISE

Do it for Dad, did you see how bad he was this morning?

GENE

His tongue was so salty, he might never recover!

TINA

Okay, okay! I'll do it for Dad.

LOUISE

And that's why you're the best older sister ever!

Louise hugs Tina.

TINA

I suddenly need to pee again.

END OF ACT THREE

ACT FOUR

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - EVENING

Bob lets out a huge sigh of relief as he collapses on the table. Teddy looks at his watch and smiles.

TEDDY

So folks, there you have it! Bob Belcher can hold his breath for about 49 seconds!

LINDA

Wow! Impressive!

BOB

Oh, God. I shouldn't have done that.

TEDDY

Now, Bobby, my next question is...

BOB

What? What!? What is it? You've been here for six hours and haven't asked me a single question about my restaurant!

TEDDY

Hey, that's not true! I asked you about the blueberries!

BOB

I make burgers, Teddy! Burgers! And I'm damn good at it!

Suddenly, smoke comes in from the kitchen window.

BOB (CONT'D)

Oh, no, no, no, no!

Bob runs back there and scrapes a burnt pile of ground beef off the grill and into the sink.

TEDDY

Aw, Bob. That's too bad.

(into the mic)

For those of you listening at home and cannot see what is happening, Bobby just burned one of his burgers.

(MORE)

TEDDY (CONT'D)

I don't think he's actually made a single burger today!

Bob slams the door to the kitchen open.

BOB

Because you're here! I can't work with you, uh, podcasting it up in here! Who's even gonna listen to this?

TEDDY

I will, Bob! Come on!

Linda leaves her booth and walks over to Bob.

LINDA

Bobby, calm down. What's wrong? Talk to me.

Bob sits on one of the stools at the bar while Linda rubs his arm.

SLOW ZOOM IN ON BOB

BOB

It's just...people come in and treat this place like it's their own playground to do whatever, but for me, this place is everything. Every burger I make, I put all my effort into. So even when a small thing like a burger getting burned happens, it...it makes me upset.

Teddy slowly slides the microphone to Bob. Bob doesn't notice.

BOB (CONT'D)

We might not get that much publicity, and when we do get some, it isn't even really about us. But just once, I want somebody to hear about us and be like "yeah I'll give that place a shot," because I'm proud of this place. I'm proud of every burger, fry, and side dish we serve here.

(MORE)

BOB (CONT'D)

Even if it might not be the most popular dining establishment around, it still bears my name: "Bob's Burgers." And even if I only serve one customer all day, the smile they get when they try a bite of my food...all the ridicule, chaos, and late payments, and even bad publicity...that smile makes it all worth it. And I just wish other people knew that.

Suddenly, the three of them hear <CLAPPING.> They turn around and see a COLLEGE STUDENT, wearing a beanie and carrying a backpack.

COLLEGE STUDENT

Whoa. Good speech, man.

BOB

Oh, uh, thank you. How long were you standing there?

COLLEGE STUDENT
About five minutes. I originally

came in here to vape-

BOB

Please don't vape.

COLLEGE STUDENT

But then I saw you holding your breath and burning that burger, so I was gonna head out-

BOB

You saw that??

COLLEGE STUDENT

Oh, yeah. It looked rough. I was ready to just head home and never give this place a second thought, but then your speech- it was really inspiring.

BOB

Oh, well, thank you.

COLLEGE STUDENT

I wish I could have played it for some of my friends. They want to open a restaurant but they're feeling pretty discouraged.

TEDDY

Well, you're in luck! Because Bobby's speech is gonna be in the first episode of my podcast, Teddy Talks Shop! We launch tomorrow!

BOB

Tomorrow??

COLLEGE STUDENT

Oh, cool. Thanks.

The college student sits down at the booth previously occupied by Linda.

COLLEGE STUDENT (CONT'D)

I actually gotta get some homework done, but in the meantime, can I have the burger of the day?

LINDA

Yes, of course!

(yelling)

Bobby! One "I Bleu You Were Trouble"-

BOB

Lin, you don't have to yell. I heard him. And I'm right next to you.

(to the kid)

How would you like that burger?

COLLEGE STUDENT

Uh, on a plate?

BOB

I'll just do medium. Coming right up.

Bob returns to the kitchen.

TEDDY

Hey, kid, wanna be on my podcast?

BOB (O.S.)

Teddy, no!

EXT. BOB'S BURGERS (RODENTLAND VERSION) - SAME TIME

Tina goes to the counter and is handed a tray of food with a chicken burger and a miniature orange.

TTNA

Thank you for the food.

SHAWN

And thank you for choosing the orange! It's healthier than fries, did you know that?

TINA

Yeah, I'm pretty sure everyone knew that- thanks a lot.

Tina turns away and walks towards a table slowly.

TINA (CONT'D)

(to herself)

Okay, Tina. Just discreetly peel this orange, drop the peel on the ground, slip, and injure yourselfnot too much but maybe a scrape or something. That should do the trick, right?

She sits down at a table and begins to peel the orange as another CHUCKYH CHINCHILLA MASCOT comes out. The couple from before approaches him with their phones.

GIRLFRIEND

Chucky Chinchilla! You're back!

BOYFRIEND

Are you gonna talk again? Or was that a limited time Rodentland offering?

Chucky Chinchilla shrugs his shoulders.

GIRLFRIEND

Aw, man! I was looking forward to that!

During the commotion, Tina drops the peel on the ground and stands up.

SHAWN (O.S.)

Hey!

Tina looks over to Shawn, still in the serving window.

TINA

Yeah, Shawn?

SHAWN

Pick up that up!

TTNA

Pick what up?

SHAWN

That orange peel! It's a safety hazard!

TINA

What orange peel?

SHAWN

The one you dropped on the floor! Don't play dumb with me! Pick it up!

TINA

Oh, why? Is it slippery or something? I thought it was just banana peels-

SHAWN

That's a common misconception!

BOYFRIEND (O.S.)

Come on, man! I still wanna see a theme park mascot break the "show integrity" and talk! Do it for the vid!

BRIAN (V.O.)

Excuse me, sir?

Tina looks over at the couple arguing and sees Brian, stepping in between the couple and the mascot. He puts his arms out to stop an altercation and we move once again to...

TINA'S POV: Brian speaks and moves in slow-mo. Light shines behind him as he reprimands the couple and wags his finger. He adjusts his name tag that says COORDINATOR.

TINA (V.O.)

And he's good at conflict resolution. What a man.

(sighs)

I can't do this. I'll look stupid in front of him, and also, I don't want to injure myself! I'm still super scared of that.

She shakes it off and addresses Shawn.

ттмδ

Sorry for being difficult, Shawn, I'll pick it up.

As she bends over to pick it up, Brian is escorting the couple and the mascot towards Tina's direction. The boyfriend is now livid.

BRIAN

Now please tell me who started this.

Chucky Chinchilla points to the boyfriend.

BOYFRIEND

No theme park cast member points one finger at me! It's always gotta be two!

He shoves the Chucky Chinchilla mascot, who stumbles backward and slips on the orange peel. As he slips and slides around, he bumps into Tina, who falls on the ground.

TTNA

Ahh!

She lands on her knee, which begins ever so lightly bleeding, a slight scrape.

TINA (CONT'D)

Oh, look at that. A tiny scrape. I guess that wasn't too bad.

The mascot, still sliding on the orange peel, slides past Tina and into a wall, knocking a bunch of pictures of CHUCKY CHINCHILLA and his ANIMAL FRIENDS off the wall. The pictures land on the sides of food trays hanging off of dining tables, which catapult launch the food at several CUSTOMERS. The boyfriend gets a tray of ketchup and fries to the face.

BOYFRIEND

Aw, man! I hate ketchup!

Louise and Gene run into the restaurant and begin <CHEERING.>

LOUISE

GENE

Woo-hoo! Alright!

Yes!

LOUISE (CONT'D)

Now would you look at that, Mr. Shawn. Not only is your restaurant all messy-

GENE

Which is a strike for performance!

LOUISE

-and now that you have to clean it up, meaning you can't serve customers-

GENE

Which is a strike for speed!

LOUISE

But Tina has scraped her knee, meaning it's also bad for...

GENE AND LOUISE

Safety!

LOUISE

Which means, you're now shut down! Byeeeee!

Brian walks up to them.

BRIAN

Shawn, did you tell Tina to pick up the orange peel?

SHAWN

Yes, sir.

BRIAN

Twice?

SHAWN

Once for politeness, the other time for legal purposes.

BRIAN

There we go. Sorry, kids. If Shawn gives a warning twice, we're no longer liable. This is on you. It's in the rulebook.

LOUISE

What!?

Gene gets on his knees and cries to the sky.

GENE

No! Foiled again!

Tina approaches Brian.

TINA

I'm sorry about all this mess, Brian.

(MORE)

TINA (CONT'D)

I'll help you clean it up if you want, since I was the one who dropped the orange peel.

Brian pulls out his phone.

BRIAN

It's fine, I'll just get custodial to come clean it up. They love having things to do.

TINA

Well, uh, speaking of things to do, do you want to go out sometime?

BRIAN

What? No.

LOUISE

Oof! We just watched a Tina Rejection occur in real time.

GENE

That was hard to watch.

BRIAN

It's not that you're not, uh, interesting, but I have a girlfriend. I'm only a sophomore and she's a senior. I'm into cougars.

TINA

Oh, okay. Well, that's nice.

A single tear streams down Tina's face.

LOUISE

Tina, are you crying?

TINA

No! I mean, yes. I mean, maybe.

Shawn gasps and points.

SHAWN

A guest is crying! That means we get a strike for politeness! Which means-

Suddenly, sirens ring as a CREW of EXECUTIVES wearing Chucky Chinchilla ears, suits, and sunglasses come in.

EXECUTIVE

It means Rodentland's Bob's Burgers is getting shut down. Shut her down, boys!

The other executives begin putting yellow tape on the restaurant and shuttering the serving windows.

SHAWN

Noooooo!

They shutter the window on him as he screams, making his scream muffled.

BRIAN

Okay, guess I'm going home.

He puts in his headphones and walks away.

LOUISE

Well, that was easy!

GENE

And convenient! My two favorite ways to do things.

TINA

(to herself)

Bye, Brian. It was nice while it lasted.

LOUISE

Are you still crying?

TINA

(quickly)

Nope. No, I'm not.

INT. BOB'S BURGERS - THE NEXT DAY

Teddy sits at his laptop while Linda washes down the counter. The BURGER OF THE DAY is listed as BARBEQUE-ENHEIMER. Bob grills behind the kitchen window.

TEDDY

Bobby! Our podcast episode is off the charts! We're getting so many listeners!

BOB

Oh, really? That's cool, I guess. How many are we at now?

TEDDY

Six.

BOB

Okay.

At that moment, TWO TOURISTS, wearing Hawaiian shirts and Chucky Chinchilla baseball caps, walk in.

TOURIST 1

Is this Bob's Burgers?

LINDA

Indeed it is!

TOURIST 2

We heard that you were closing.

BOB AND LINDA

Closing??

TOURIST 2

Yeah, look here.

They hold up their phones to reveal an article that says BOB'S BURGERS CLOSING FOR GOOD!

BOB

ThemeParkEnthusiast.com?

TOURIST 1

Yeah, we're theme park enthusiasts.

TOURIST 2

And every time there's even the tiniest change in the theme park world, we get super mad! But we have to go to each theme park restaurant before it closes for good just so we can say we did everything.

LINDA

Wow, theme park adults are crazy.

TOURIST 1

It's a bit weird that you're so far down the street from the theme park-

BOB

Wonder Wharf? We're not affiliated with-

Linda puts her hand on his mouth.

T₁TNDA

Bup bup bup! Hush, Bobby!
 (faking sadness)

Yeah, it's a shame that Rodentland is gonna try to close us down.

TOURIST 2

We've never been to Rodentland. And we still kinda don't want to go.

TOURIST 1

But we $\underline{\text{had}}$ to come see you before you closed.

LINDA

Well in that case, what can we get for you?

The customers look at the menu.

TOURIST 1

I'll take a cheeseburger, no lettuce.

TOURIST 2

And I'll take the burger of the day.

LINDA

Coming right up! Bobby, get to it!

The tourists sit in a booth as Linda walks up to Bob.

LINDA (CONT'D)

And would you look at that? An article about us closing actually got us some customers!

BOB

I, uh, I guess you're right. Maybe there is no such thing as bad publicity.

LINDA

Atta boy, Bobby!

TEDDY (O.S.)

Ooh, now we're at seven!

CREDITS

Bob cooks in the kitchen while Linda and the kids march around singing the "Rodentland" theme song.

MUSIC: "RODENTLAND THEME SONG"

CLICK HERE FOR SONG DEMO

LINDA

(singing)

He's native to Chile, he's always acting sill-e He's a very recognizable brand

LINDA AND KIDS

(singing)

Chucky Chinchilla and all of his friends invite you to Rodentland!

TINA

(singing)

Ride this coaster, buy your picture...

GENE

(singing)

And eat your not-yet melted Chucky Bar.

LOUISE

(singing)

Chucky Chinchilla looks ugly in his overalls and bow tie while he rides his bumper car.

LINDA

Oh, I like it! It's cute!

Bob leaves the kitchen, observes, smiles, and joins them.

LINDA AND KIDS

(singing)

The staff is so glad to almost be paid minimum wage- what more could someone demand?

ENTIRE BELCHER FAMILY

(singing)

Chucky Chinchilla (and his girlfriend who looks just like him) invite you to Rodentland!

END OF EPISODE