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FADE IN:

1 EXT. STREET - DAY

It is a nice sunny day. A young man, TOM is walking on the street. He is dressed casually in everyday clothes and a satchel is slung over his shoulder. There is debris and garbage items everywhere. Tom stops periodically looking at random items on the street. He picks up an item which has no value and looks at it from every angle. After a moment he realises the item is junk and returns it to the street.

2 EXT. APARTMENT ENTRANCE - DAY

Tom reaches his apartment entrance and goes to the mail box to check for new mail. The mail box is empty, he closes the mail box and turns to leave. As he turns, he hears a sound coming from the garbage that is strewn under the tree. He walks toward the noise.

3 EXT. STREET - DAY

Tom crouches down searching through the waste for the noise. Amongst the items of garbage there is a photo-frame of a laughing guy with cracks on the glass. On the right side of the photo-frame, there is a wall clock resting on a box. The clock has a slight crack and displays numbers in unusual positions. Behind the clock there is a barbie girl with an open mouth. Tom gives a stupid smile and looks at the other items. The box vibrates and he hears the same sound which appears to be coming from the box. Curious he looks at the box and opens it. Inside the box there is an old Polaroid film camera stuck inside with duct tape. Tom removes the duct tape and takes out the camera.

4 INT. APARTMENT - DAY

Tom enters the apartment and closes the door. The apartment is scattered with an array of treasures Tom has collected from scavenging on the street.He walks down the hall and pushes the light-switch at the entrance to the Lounge Room. Nothing happens. Tom sees a post-it note is stuck on the wall above the light switch that says "Pay Electricity Bill" Tom sighs. Tom moves into the room and places his keys mobile and wallet on the mantle next to a toy can and sits on the couch. He looks at the camera from every angle. There is a yellow button on the top and a handle on the right side. There is a switch on the left side which indicates a little arrow towards him. Tom slides the switch. The upper

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body of the camera lifts up. As soon as it opens, the toy can on the TV desk shakes and he hears the vibrated sound again. A LADY'S voice appears to be coming from the camera.

> LADY(V.O.) Camera, ready now. Please press the yellow button. Enjoy.

Tom looks shocked and stares at the toy can. He can see a flash, a very small lens and a speaker in front of the camera. With a look of amazement he presses the yellow button and takes a picture of the toy can which is still shaking. After few seconds, the camera beeps and Tom looks at the camera. A white photo comes out from the front. He takes out the photo and looks at it. He shakes it and watches as the photo slowly develops and shows an image of a same toy with laughing snake face.

Tom looks confused because the toy on the TV desk is not open. He looks at the photo again and walks over to the TV unit. He kneels down and looks carefully at the toy can. Suddenly, a laughing snake face comes out of the toy can. Tom appears to be terrified and falls back. Tom sees the same laughing snake face which matches the photo. Tom holds the camera looking confused. The same vibrated sound with static comes from the TV.

> LADY(V.O.) Reset. Please press the yellow button. Enjoy.

Tom smiles, He frames the TV in the camera's viewfinder and takes a photo of the TV. As Tom presses the button to take a photo the TV switches on and a 7 news broadcast can be heard. The camera beeps and another white photo comes out from the camera. Tom looks at the power cable and can see that it is not connected to the TV. Tom looks at the photo that has developed and shows a HOT GIRL in sports costume winking. Tom quickly picks up the remote and starts browsing the channels. He finds the channel with the Hot Girl doing aerobic exercises. He looks at the camera and gives a naughty smile. He goes near the TV with a photo in his hand and watches a girl closely. The girl finishes her exercises.

> HOT GIRL Thank you for watching this program. I hope you enjoyed today's session. Please keep moving your body. I will see you all next week. See ya!"

The show finishes and the Hot Girl winks. The TV switches off automatically. The camera vibrates and beeps on the table.

LADY(V.O.) Reset. Please press the yellow button. Enjoy.

Tom looks at a magazine on the table, picks up the camera and takes a photo of the magazine. The camera beeps and another photo comes out. The photo slowly develops. Toms eyes open wide in astonishment. The photo shows a picture of Tom with a gun in his right hand. Tom appears nervous. He sits on a chair and puts the camera and photo on the table. He starts flipping through magazine pages looking for the picture that matches the photo. Tom sees an insurance ad with a picture of the gun. It's a same qun with marketing tag line - "We protect your future." Tom touches the page and feels that his fingers are going inside the page. He looks afraid and takes out his fingers from the magazine and inspects his hand. Tom picks up the magazine and looks underneath. Tom places the magazine back on the table and puts his hand in the magazine again. The camera shakes and the weird sound is heard. Tom panics, takes his hand out from the magazine and topples from the chair. He looks under the table and checks the surface. Tom confidently puts his hand inside the magazine. He shivers and takes out his hand which holds the gun. He looks at the magazine which now shows a blank page with only the marketing tag line. Tom looks at the photo in his shivering hand. We hear weird vibrated sound and a mirror cracking.

> LADY(V.O.) Reset. Please press the yellow button. Enjoy.

Tom slowly walks towards the mirror and observes the cracks. He puts the gun on his waist and steps backward. He frames himself in front of the mirror and presses the yellow button on the camera. There is a long beep from the camera and flash reflects from the mirror. Tom is blinded for a few seconds. Tom sees himself standing in the mirror, but unlike a normal mirror Tom's reflection is not mimicking Tom's actions. Curious Tom reaches out and touches the mirror. Tom's reflection looks at Tom confused. Toms hand tentatively reaches into the mirror and pulls his reflection out of the mirror. The camera stops beeping. Tom and his clone are looking strangely at each other with confusion. A photo comes out from both the cameras. Their heart starts pounding. Tom looks at the photo. Tom's clone looks at the photo and panics. Tom and his clone stare at each other for few seconds with dread.

5 EXT. STREET - DAY

A broken photo-frame of a laughing guy.

A broken wall clock with unusual numbers.

A barbie doll with an open mouth.

6 INT. APARTMENT - DAY

A laughing snake from the toy can.

A hot girl winking in the TV.

A gun in the hand

7 INT. APARTMENT - DAY

Tom and his clone take out their guns and shoot at each other. They fall on the ground with the photos in their hands. Tom's hand holds a photo showing Tom on the ground dead. Tom's clone holds a photo showing Tom's clone on the ground dead. Cutaway/Pan to the Camera which is vibrating and beeping.

> LADY(V.O.) Camera, ready now. Please press the yellow button. Enjoy.

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