Narcissus Hotel

"Pilot"

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COLD OPEN

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Narcissus Hotel, a 4 star hotel in Barcelona located near the beach and main touristic attractions.

We reveal GRACE (38), attractive, classy and an overachiever. She wears a suit with a name tag that reads Grace Mitchell - General Manager.

Grace rushes to the front desk.

GRACE

Hi. How many groups do we have today?

Behind the front desk is ANNE (20), Latinx, cute, work-shy and oversensitive who wears a hotel uniform with a name tag that reads Anne Price - Front Desk.

ANNE

Zero!

Grace looks defeated.

Then, a herd of five women with a British accent, mid 20s, enters the hotel boozed, shouting, laughing out loud and scaring other guests. Anne looks at them.

ANNE (CONT'D)

At least you have one (air quotes)

"Experience Package" today.

Grace walks up to the bunch.

GRACE

Welcome Ladies! Please come this way for your Experience-Package Check-in.

Quickly, she moves the group away from the lobby and into a room with an EXPERIENCE PACKAGES sign hanging from the door.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - SUITE - DAY

Grace shows the British women around their suite.

GRACE

Ladies, enjoy your stay, but keep it down.

BRITISH WOMAN 1 tipsy, stops Grace.

BRITISH WOMAN 1

You look just like my mother.

Grace nods politely and BRITISH WOMAN 2 meddles.

BRITISH WOMAN 2

No way! Your mother's an old bag!

The group laughs. Grace looks uncomfortable.

BRITISH WOMAN 1

She's 38! What do you expect?

GRACE

How old do you think I am?

The group looks mortified.

BRITISH WOMAN 2

Bloody Hell!

END OF COLD OPEN

ACT ONE

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

At the front desk, Anne is on the phone.

ANNE

She's checking in an Experience Package now.

JUSTIN (28), Chinese descent, with a clumsy-boyish charm wearing a suit walks to the front desk. Anne likes what she sees and puts the phone down.

JUSTIN

Hello. I'm Justin Wang and... the General manager told me to... look for her at the Front Desk.

ANNE

(Flirting)

YOU are the new IT Director? Grace's checking in an

(air quotes)

"Experience Package".

JUSTIN

What's an...

(air quotes)

"Experience Package"?

ANNE

It's a strategy that Grace created to make up for the loss of our group business.

JUSTIN

I see.

ANNE

First was Airbnb, and then the pandemic came... Now, we are a

(air quotes)

"package" hotel! We have a Bridal Package, a Senior package, Kids --

The Front Desk phone rings, Anne disconnects the call. It rings again and she disconnects the other line. All lines are ringing now and she presses a MAKE BUSY key and now all lines are disconnected.

JUSTIN

Did you... hang up on everybody?

ANNE

Nooo! I didn't hang up on them; I'm not available to take their calls. Listen, go to the restaurant and I'll tell Grace to meet you there.

As Justin leaves, RICHARD(62), a well-dressed and with a natural charisma walks to the front desk. His presence fills the room.

RICHARD

Where's she? I need to get this done with now. I can't be here waiting for her just because today's her birthday.

ANNE

She's finishing up with an Experience Package and will be here any moment.

RICHARD

I don't have a moment Anne! I don't wait for anyone. They wait for ME...ME!

Anne stares at him speechless.

Meanwhile LAURA (50), Latinx, with a Chef Hat, high heels, heavy makeup, excessive jewelry with a name tag that reads Laura Price - Head Chef comes to the Front Desk with a bunch of balloons, a card and a pen.

LAURA

Richard, you need to sign her card.

Richard starts signing the card, but the pen doesn't work. He looks at the pen and angrily throws it across the lobby.

LAURA (CONT'D)

Are you out of your mind?

RICHARD

That piece of crap was made in China. Give me one that was made in GERMANY.

ANNE

(whispering to herself)
Good luck with that.

Laura and Anne search for another pen while NICK, (34) brown skinned, good-looking, sophisticated, sarcastic, comes to the front desk.

NICK

Let's not say anything stupid to her today.

Laura gives another pen to Richard who signs the card. Grace comes back to the front desk.

RICHARD

Finally! It's about time.

Nick gives Richard a look while Laura hands Grace the card and the balloons.

GRACE

Thanks Laura.

NICK

You should've taken the day off Grace.

RICHARD

(hugging Grace)

Nonsense. Why would a lonely woman wanna be at home alone on her birthday?

Grace looks mortified.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

I mean why would a lovely woman wanna be at home? And nobody runs my hotel better than Grace.

Grace forces a smile.

GRACE

Anne, what time is Richard's interview with Catalonia TV?

ANNE

At four.

RICHARD

(places his arms on Laura's
 shoulders)

Laura, the main purpose of this interview is for me to boost the hotel sales.

Grace looks uncomfortable.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

It's also good marketing for the restaurant. Do you have some sampling dishes?

LAURA

Of course *guapo*! Everything is perfect for your interview.

RICHARD

Good. I'll go get ready.

Richard starts walking back to his suite.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

Happy birthday Grace. Getting old sucks. Especially for women.

Everyone looks at him, displeased.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

We look distinguished as we grow older, but women look just like rags.

Nick reacts with a "I want to kill you" look while Richard continues to address Grace.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

Not you of course! You still look fresh and young.

Richard walks away and suddenly stops.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

Fingers crossed that in your next life you'll be a man.

Richard leaves. Laura, Nick, Anne and Grace look astonished.

NTCK

Well, we can always count on Richard to put his feet in his mouth!

ANNE

Grace, the new IT Director is waiting for you at the restaurant.

GRACE

I'll see him now. Thanks Anne.

ANNE

Thank YOU for hiring him.

GRACE

You don't waste time, do you?

Anne has a sassy smile.

Grace starts walking and Nick stops her.

NICK

Hey, Happy Birthday. Wanna have a drink later to celebrate it?

GRACE

You want to have a drink with an old rag?

NICK

He's a jerk.

GRACE

True. But he's also right. I've dedicated my entire life to my career and now I'm a lonely rag!

 ${\tt NICK}$

You know that you're hot.

She gazes at him, as if enjoying the comment, but her phone rings.

She looks at the screen, signs for him to wait and takes the call.

GRACE

(into phone)

Hi, mom.

He stands by and overhears the conversation.

GRACE (CONT'D)

Thanks. No celebration today.

Grace looks uneasy.

GRACE (CONT'D)

The sales are still down, yes.

Grace sighs.

GRACE (CONT'D)

I know I can't rely on anyone. You've always reminded me of that.

Short pause.

GRACE (CONT'D)

I gotta go. Thanks for calling. Bye.

Grace hangs up, looking discontent. Nick glances at her, as if feeling for her, but she reacts.

GRACE (CONT'D)

She just wanted me to have a solid career.

NICK

Yeah, but you've got to live your life.

An intense fiery looking into each other's eyes.

NICK (CONT'D)

Come on, let's celebrate your birthday.

Sudden, she spoils the moment.

GRACE

I'm not in the mood. I just want today to be as normal as possible.

NICK

Then you really shouldn't have come to work!

GRACE

This place would fall apart without me.

Nick has a flirty smile.

NICK

We all fall apart without you.

Grace playfully rolls her eyes.

GRACE

I'll send the new IT director to shadow you today, okay?

NICK

Sure.

GRACE

Thanks.

Nick leaves while Grace walks to the hotel's restaurant located near the lobby.

From the lobby, Grace waves to Justin outside of the restaurant's glass wall.

Justin looks smitten when he sees Grace and tries to conceal a smile. He doesn't realize that she is outside of the glass wall and goes full speed with his head into the glass.

BOOM!

Justin falls. Grace shakes her head.

GRACE (CONT'D)

What was I thinking when I hired him?

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RESTAURANT - DAY- CONTINUOUS

Grace runs inside to check on Justin.

GRACE

Are you okay Justin?

JUSTIN

Sorry for my clumsiness. I'm still... jetlagged... So great to... finally meet you in person.

GRACE

Nice meeting you in person too!

Justin smiles embarrassedly as he gets to his feet.

GRACE

Did you find an apartment?

JUSTIN

It's... walking distance from here.

GRACE

You'll enjoy living in Barcelona. I've been living here for over 10 years and I love the weather.

Grace looks at the time.

GRACE (CONT'D)

So today, you'll be shadowing Nick Rogers, our Chief Financial Controller. He'll give you an overview of the hotel operations.

JUSTIN

Great.

GRACE

His office is that way. We have an inspection next week and I need to verify if everything's in place for it.

Grace leaves and Justin sets eyes on her.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - NICK'S OFFICE - DAY

A sign is on the door which reads Nicholas Rogers - Chief Financial Controller. The office is empty, but the desk is pushed against the wall and the chair is on the top of it.

Justin, with a head bump, arrives at Nick's office looking puzzled at the room's configuration.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

British Woman 1 laughs and walks backwards in the lobby with the others from her group while Nick enters the hotel with a backpack. British Woman 1, still walking backwards, bumps into Nick who holds her before they both fall.

BRITISH WOMAN 1

What a good catch! Are you here on business or fun?

They eye each other up.

NICK

(flirting)
I work here. So, fun.

BRITISH WOMAN 1

What do you do for fun around here?

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RESTAURANT - DAY

A TV REPORTER and a CAMERAMAN who have been invited to cover a story at the hotel, interview Richard.

REPORTER

We're at the Narcissus Hotel to learn about Feeding the Homeless in Barcelona, the hotel's initiative to help the local community. Mr. Harvey, how does the program work?

Richard stands in front of the camera, pushes the reporter out of the frame slightly and speaks like a politician.

RICHARD

Feeding the Homeless in Barcelona is my effort to alleviate hunger from those who live on our streets. Once a day, a member of our staff takes boxes of unconsumed fresh and world-class meals, that will expire the next day, to local homeless shelters in Barcelona! Richard has a pretentious smile.

RICHARD (CONT'D)

My Head Chef Laura Price, is what they call a culinary artist and is responsible for managing this project. I'll let her tell you about it.

It is now revealed that Laura stands next to Richard, looking radiant in front of the camera and trying to be in the frame.

LAURA

Thanks Richard! We're very pleased to help the needy and---

Richard steps in front of Laura who tries to stay inside the frame.

RICHARD

-- Ah! And we're the first hotel and restaurant in town to take this initiative! Now everyone in Barcelona can enjoy Narcissus' fabulous international cuisine.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - SUITES AISLE - DAY

Grace walks with her iPad during her daily rounds. She stops when she hears yelling, name calling and sounds of objects been thrown coming from room 504.

She knocks on the door, but nobody answers it.

GRACE

Hello! Please open the door. I'm the General Manager.

Other guests come out their rooms to watch the disturbance.

504 GUEST, a disgruntled woman, with furious eyes, opens the door.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - ROOM 504 - CONTINUOUS

504 GUEST

This bitch is sleeping with my husband!

The room is a disaster, several objects are on the floor, the beds are messy and the chair is thrown on the floor. Nobody else is seen in the room.

Grace checks the bathroom, opens the closet and looks under

the bed and finds nobody else in the room.

504 Guest jumps on the bed, starts punching the mattress as if punching another person. Then, she pulls her own hair and starts to shout.

504 GUEST (CONT'D)

Do you think I was going to sit here and take your punches? Stop pulling my hair, whore!

Grace looks stunned. 504 Guest starts to bite the air as if biting someone. Then, she kicks the air, slaps her own face and falls on the floor.

Suddenly, Grace starts shouting at the wall, angrily, as if shouting at someone.

GRACE

You slut! Get out of my hotel now! This is a decent place and we don't tolerate filthy people here!

504 Guest looks happily surprised at Grace and stands up.

GRACE (CONT'D)

Get oooouuut!

504 Guest joins Grace and shouts at the wall as if shouting at someone.

504 GUEST

It's over bitch! My angel's here to defend me against your immorality!

Grace looks energized.

GRACE

This is sooo liberating. I should've done this before.

Then, Grace sits on the bed and recomposes herself.

504 GUEST

(with tears in the eyes)
Thank you for protecting me against that nasty pig.

GRACE

That's what I'm here for! My guests are my priority.

 $504\ \mathrm{Guest}$ sits next to Grace and starts crying. She cries herself to sleep in Grace's arms.

Grace covers 504 Guest and settles the room as it was before the storm.

Other guests applaud Grace as she leaves the room and she has a cocky smile.

GRACE

Thanks! I'm just doing my job.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LUGGAGE ROOM - DAY

British Woman 1 and Nick are making out. Nick looks up.

NICK

The AC vent's blowing on my head. Let's move over there.

They move to another corner of the luggage room.

BRITISH WOMAN 1

This <u>is</u> fun. Do you do this with all of your guests?

NICK

No!

Nick speaks methodically.

NICK

After I finish my workout, I have a cup of green tea and then head back to work.

Short pause.

NICK (CONT'D)

Today, you messed up my routine.

They laugh before continuing to make out.

INT. NARCISSIUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Justin comes to the Front Desk. Anne is on Instagram.

JUSTIN

Hey, have you seen... Nick?

Anne looks at Justin with hungry eyes.

ANNE

Even hotter with a head bump.

JUSTIN

What? I'm supposed to be shadowing him, but he's not in... his office.

Anne looks at the time.

ANNF

He should be back from his workout by now.

Meanwhile, AGGRAVATED GUEST, a man in his forties, comes to the Front Desk.

AGGRAVATED GUEST

Excuse me, your WIFI isn't working. I called the front desk several times, but nobody has answered.

It is revealed that all lines are still on Make Busy.

ANNE

Are you sure the WIFI isn't working?

AGGRAVATED GUEST

Of course I'm sure! Look for yourself.

Anne looks at the hotel's network status and it shows disconnected. Then, she looks at the online booking system and it is down. She clicks on the hotel's website and receives a message: 503 Service Unavailable.

ANNE

Yeah our website isn't working either!

Aggravated Guest gives her a dirty look. Next, SENIOR WIFE and SENIOR HUSBAND come to the Front Desk.

SENIOR WIFE

Excuse me young lady, the AC in our room isn't working. And your phone isn't either.

Anne presses a key on her phone and all lines start to ring at the same time. She answers one of the calls.

Justin goes behind the front desk and looks at the hotel's website 503 Service Unavailable message. He activates his personal data to access WIFI on his phone.

ANNE

(to Justin)

The security supervisor just told me that all security cameras are offline!

SENIOR HUSBAND

We'd like to switch rooms since the air-conditioning in our room isn't working.

Then, FATHER, a mother and their three children come to the Front Desk.

FATHER

Excuse us, our T.V isn't working. We called you, but nobody ans--

Anne shouts at Father.

ANNE

--I know the TV...

Then she shouts at Aggravated Guest.

ANNE (CONT'D)

WIFI...

She shouts at Senior Wife and Senior Husband.

ANNE (CONT'D)

the air-conditioning...

And almost crying.

ANNE (CONT'D)

the security cameras , online booking, website, are not working. I KNOW it!

Justin steps in past the annoyed Anne and addresses everyone.

JUSTIN

(timidly)

Sorry... for the inconvenience. We're working on it...and hope to fix the issue soon. Thanks for your patience.

In the meantime, more guests come to the front desk. Nick, exits the luggage room with British Woman 1, sees the disruption in the lobby and goes behind the front desk to calm guests down.

From the hotel's restaurant, Grace spots the commotion in the lobby and rushes to the front desk while Richard and Laura walk together to the lobby.

GRACE

(panicking)

What's going on?

JUSTIN

The hotel's network is suffering a... ransomware. It's a cyberattack that shuts down the entire network and... every system that's controlled by computers. Security cameras, A/C... TV, sprinklers, WIFI; it's all down.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Total chaos in the lobby where several guests are gathered to voice their complaints. Anne and Nick continue explaining the situation to distressed guests.

In the meantime, the Reporter and Cameraman, who were interviewing Richard earlier, also go to the lobby.

Grace looks distressed.

GRACE

What do they want?

JUSTIN

Two Bitcoins.

Anne meddles in the conversation.

ANNE

That doesn't sound like a lot.

JUSTIN

It's approximately... sixty thousand Euros.

Grace looks frightened.

JUSTIN (CONT'D)

I think I can get the network up and running again.

GRACE

No! You might do more harm than good since you don't know everything about our system yet. Anne, tell guests that this situation will be resolved soon. I'll be right back.

A terrified Grace hurries to the luggage room while Anne follows Grace's orders and Justin looks disappointed and walks away. Meanwhile, the Reporter tells Cameraman...

REPORTER

This is great! Start recording.

Cameraman starts recording the tumult in the lobby. Then, BUSINESS MAN comes to the front desk.

BUSINESS MAN

Excuse me ma'am, I was in a Zoom meeting with my partners in Singapore and Switzerland and got abruptly disconnected. This is unacceptable. You must fix this situation now.

ANNE

I can't help you right now.

BUSINESS MAN

Sorry my self-absorption got in the way of yours.

Grace comes back to the lobby holding a megaphone.

GRACE

Attention please.

A high pitch sound comes out of the megaphone. Guests plug their ears while Grace tries to get a hold of it. Then, she speaks in a calm voice, but with authority.

GRACE (CONT'D)

Our hotel is under a cyberattack and we need to stay calm. We're working to resolve this problem.

BUSINESS MAN

How come a four star hotel doesn't have cybersecurity in place?

GRACE

Sir, we're aware of our current limitation and that's why recently we appointed an IT Director who's specialized in Cybersecurity to remedy the situation.

Richard walks to Grace and takes the megaphone off her hands.

RICHARD

As a way to apologize for this inconvenience, I'm offering a 10% reduction on tonight's rate.

Guests react dissatisfied.

BUSINESS MAN

Sure, this will make up for the multimillion deal that I was negotiating.

RICHARD

And also one complementary drink.

Grace politely but firmly takes the megaphone back.

GRACE

Actually we're offering a 25% reduction on tonight's rate and we invite our guests to enjoy three complementary beverages in our restaurant as we resolve this matter.

Guests rush like a herd of sheep to the restaurant and Laura runs after them like a sheepdog.

RICHARD

Are you insane Grace?

GRACE

I know what I'm doing.

RICHARD

Do you? We're struggling to survive and you give things away!

GRACE

We don't need more problems now.

RICHARD

What's best about all this, is the publicity.

GRACE

It's very bad publicity for us.

RICHARD

There's no such a thing of bad publicity. All publicity is good.

GRACE

You can't pay the ransom! We're dealing with criminals.

RICHARD

This is a business decision like any other. The cost for not paying for it, might be higher than paying. The average ransomware attack lasts eight days.

GRACE

How do you even know that?

Richard leaves without answering and Justin walks to her.

JUSTIN

I was able to setup a hotspot in the lobby... For now guests can access internet here...

GRACE

Ooh Justin!

JUSTIN

And the entire network is up and running again.

GRACE

I knew I was right when I hired you!

Justin blushes.

Anne approaches Grace.

ANNE

I'm take my break. Justin, you should take yours too.

JUSTIN

No, thanks. I wanna figure out... you know... who did this.

Justin leaves and Anne looks infatuated at him while Grace walks to the hotel's restaurant with the megaphone.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RESTAURANT - CONTINUOUS

GRACE

Attention everyone. We now have a temporary hotspot in the lobby for you to connect your --

A rush of guests dash to the lobby and run over Grace who drops the megaphone. She picks it up and adjusts it.

GRACE (CONT'D)

And everything else's up and running---

Others down their 3 drinks in one swallow, then rush out of the restaurant.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - NICK'S OFFICE - DAY

Nick stares at his office. Justin, still with the bump on his head, comes in.

NICK

I also had a headache on my first day.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RESTAURANT - DAY

Laura places safety stickers on the glass wall where Justin bumped his head earlier.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - NICK'S OFFICE - DAY

JUSTIN

So, what am I... suppose to learn from you today?

NICK

Just do your job well and don't step on Grace's toes.

As Justin nods, he receives a text and check his phone while Nick walks around the room and studies the best position for the furniture.

JUSTIN

And what's going on with her today? She was more... upbeat during my interview.

NICK

She's stressed out. Our sales are down!

JUSTIN

I see... And what's up with Anne?

NICK

She's typical generation Z - always online and still lives with her parents. Her father is Richard's best friend and Richard is her God Father.

Justin receives another text and checks his phone again.

NICK (CONT'D)

Who are you texting non-stop? Got a hot date?

JUSTIN

My mom.

Pause.

JUSTIN (CONT'D)

I've just moved here... she's worried... Wants to make sure everything is okay with me.

Nick speaks as if talking to a toddler.

NICK

Oh! Mommy forgot to give you a security blanket?

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RICHARD'S BATHROOM - DAY

A TV is mounted on Richard's bathroom wall. He watches news from his toilet and receives a social media notification on his phone, grabs it from the countertop and reads:

"Richard doesn't listen to his staff and if anyone is ever credited for doing something good, he gets rid of them because he hates when anybody else gets praised."

Richard looks angry and flushes the toilet.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

At the Front Desk Anne posts on her FB profile:

"It's been an awful, terrible, bad day at work!"

It is now revealed that Laura is also behind the Front Desk touching Anne's hair, who looks annoyed.

LAURA

I've already told you to take care of it. It's too dry. And you need a haircut too. Also, put some makeup on.

Anne abruptly takes Laura's hands off her hair.

ANNE

Stop mom! I've had enough of your criticism today.

LAURA

It's not that. Like it or not, you're being judged by how you look and how you carry yourself. Your appearance reflects your status.

ANNE

Here we go again.

LAURA

(angry)

I know how it feels to be poor! People look down on you when you look poor.

ANNE

I just don't wanna look like a Christmas tree.

LAURA

They don't respect you, and I've worked very hard to be respected.

ANNE

You married dad!

INT. SUITES AISLE - DAY

Richard walks towards Grace with purpose in his stride.

RICHARD

Tell the Catalonia TV reporters, while they're here, that I'll pay the ransom and will make the announcement now.

GRACE

It won't be necessary anymore. Justin's got our network up and running again.

RICHARD

How can you guarantee that?

GRACE

I've just reset the fire alarm and checked our entire system and everything's working perfectly.

RICHARD

Do what I told you Grace! I won't be held hostage by these crooks.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Richard and Grace are in the lobby with the same TV Reporter and Cameraman who interviewed Richard earlier.

RICHARD

This is an exclusive story for your network, you know.

REPORTER

Thank you, Mr. Harvey.

The Reporter signals to the Cameraman. Richard positions himself in front of the camera.

RICHARD

Narcissus' hotel is suffering a cyberattack and the leeches are demanding a payment of two Bitcoins!

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RICHARD (CONT'D)

I'll pay it to save my hotel, my hardworking staff and my loyal guests who always choose our location when in Barcelona.

Meanwhile, Justin comes to the lobby and speaks quietly to Grace.

JUSTIN

Excuse me Grace... I think I found out... the hacker's name...

Grace looks at Justin, anxious.

JUSTIN (CONT'D)

It's---

Then, the fire alarm goes off. Guests start to rush to the lobby.

GRACE

And now what? All I wanted was a normal day!

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

The lobby is now full of people milling about. From the Front Desk, Anne shouts to Grace.

ANNE

The fire drill was scheduled for tomorrow, but after you reset it, it must have accidently changed to today!

TV Reporter talks to the cameraman with excitement.

REPORTER

Keep filming!

Graces rushes to the Front Desk and uses the hotel's audio system to make an announcement with a composed voice.

GRACE

Dear guests, once again, we're very sorry for the inconvenience. There's no fire in the hotel. It was a false alarm. No... hay... fuego... en... el... hotel. Por... favor... regresar... a... sus... habitaciones. Thank you.

Frustrated guests walk back to their rooms while British Woman 1 stands in front of the camera blowing kisses.

Nick pulls British Woman 1 out of the frame and takes her to the Luggage Room.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LUGGAGE ROOM - DAY

NICK

Can you cut it out!

BRITISH WOMAN 1

I just want to have some fun. That's why I came to Barcelona!

NICK

Have as much fun as you want. Just don't cause us any trouble.

Then, British woman 1 grabs Nick's shirt, pulls his body close to hers and kisses him. Nick reacts.

NICK (CONT'D)

When I said have as much fun as you want, I didn't have this in mind.

Short Pause.

NICK (CONT'D)

But what the hell?

They continue kissing.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Richard remains in the lobby with the Catalonia TV Reporter and Cameraman. Holding his laptop, Richard makes the transfer using the Bitcoin encrypted code in front of the camera.

RICHARD

(to the camera)

The great people of Barcelona don't need to worry because my fight against this enemy isn't over. I lost this battle, but not the war. Anyone who thinks they can intimidate me with a cyberattack is sadly mistaken. I'll find out who did it and I'll be brutal and tough. I love Barcelona and I'll do whatever it takes to protect this city and my hotel.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - JUSTIN'S OFFICE - DAY

Grace rushes inside, out of breath and closes the door.

GRACE

What's the hacker's name?

JUSTIN

Igor Orlov.

GRACE

I've seen this name before.

Grace, runs behind Justin's desk who instantly gives her his chair and discretely stares at her. Meanwhile, she switches tabs to the *Check-in* Program and on its search box, she types the name Igor Orlov. It is revealed that Igor Orlov stayed at the hotel before.

GRACE (CONT'D)

I knew I've seen this name before.

She clicks a few more buttons and finds the room was paid for by a company called Price Holdings LLC.

Shocked, Grace speaks slowly.

GRACE (CONT'D)

This is Richard's holding company.

Grace shakes her head in disbelief. She and Justin share a perplexed expression.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RICHARD'S BATHROOM - DAY

From his toilet Richard posts a message on Twitter:

"My hotel suffered a cyberattack today, but I saved the day. The haters can try, but they'll NEVER knock me down."

Richard has malicious grin and flushes the toilet.

<u>INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - RESTAURANT - DAY</u>

Laura is alone in the restaurant. She posts a selfie and a picture of her and Richard taken during the Restaurant's interview. Next, she mimes every movement of her posted selfie as if "in love" with her own image.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - DAY

Anne is at the Front Desk. She looks annoyed with the sound of the noisy kids who are in the Experience Package room.

It is revealed that BULLIED BOY, (8), is seated by himself on the lobby's chaise lounge.

Meanwhile, Anne looks at her previous FB post:

"It's been an awful, terrible, bad day at work!"

It is revealed that under Anne's post, a new comment was added:

"Poor little rich girl."

Underneath it, a sarcastic Emoji with 27 likes.

Anne looks disheartened as Nick comes to the Front Desk.

NICK

What's going on? I can hear them from my office.

Anne looks tormented in her own world.

NICK (CONT'D)

Hellooo!

ANNE

What? I don't know.

Nick sees Bullied Boy seated on the chaise lounge alone.

NICK

Why isn't he with his group?

ANNE

How should I know? I'm not his babysitter. Ask him.

NICK

Why did I even bother with you?

ANNE

What do you mean by that?

Nick ignores Anne and goes to sit next to Bullied Boy.

NICK

Hey, why aren't you with your group?

Bullied Boy remains silent.

NICK (CONT'D)

Why is everybody ignoring me?

BULLIED BOY

They called me Obama. The ex-president of the United States!

NICK

I am familiar with him. What's the problem that they called you that?

Bullied Boy looks at Nick in disbelief.

BULLIED BOY

Because I'm brown!

Short Pause.

BULLIED BOY (CONT'D)

Like you.

NICK

Ah! That!

Pause.

NICK (CONT'D)

When I was your age, they used to call me Chocolate Nick. Obama wasn't famous yet.

They both giggle.

NICK (CONT'D)

Do you prefer to be called Obama, a former president, or chocolate, like a candy bar?

BULLIED BOY

Obama, of course! Chocolate means that they could eat me!

They both smile. Bullied boy looks at Nick.

BULLIED BOY (CONT'D)

Thanks.

Bullied Boy walks back to the Experience Package room while Nick looks at Bullied Boy with a content smile as if thinking of something that happened to him in the past.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - JUSTIN'S OFFICE - DAY

GRACE

I've always known that Richard cut some corners, but I've never thought he'd go this low.

JUSTIN

Why do you think he did it?

Grace has a sudden realization, angry.

GRACE

Because he's an egomaniac who manipulates others to satisfy his needs.

Grace has a further recognition.

GRACE (CONT'D)

Like my mom.

Justin looks puzzled and Grace starts vomiting.

Quickly, Justin brings her a waste bin and holds her head. Then, he gives her tissue papers and his own water bottle. As Grace cleans up herself, she looks at Justin with a grateful smile.

GRACE (CONT'D)

I'm sorry that you had to see that!

Justin speaks with a shy, but flirty smile.

JUSTIN

We're even now.

Grace smiles and recomposes herself.

GRACE

Thanks Justin.

JUSTIN

I'm so glad I was... able to help you. What are you going to do now?

GRACE

Don't know.

Grace ponders before locking eyes with Justin.

GRACE (CONT'D)

But I couldn't have discovered any of this without your help!

They stare into each other eyes with a smile playing at each other lips.

INT. NARCISSUS HOTEL - LOBBY - NIGHT

Anne, Laura and Nick are gathered in the lobby, ready to go home. Justin and Grace join them.

NICK

And all you wanted was a normal day!

Grace smirks at Nick who looks confused.

GRACE

Let's go home, recharge and do it all over again tomorrow!

Just before walking out, Grace looks at a notification on her phone and sees Richard's latest tweet:

"My hotel suffered a cyberattack today, but I saved the day. The haters can try, but they'll NEVER knock me down."

Grace looks disturbed and unsettled, then leaves the hotel followed by Justin, Anne, Laura and Nick.

END OF SHOW