

Disney's
KATBOT
"The Waiting-Dance Craze"
723A-107

INT. LEBORE KITCHEN - DAY

KATBOT sits at the kitchen table eating tuna casserole.

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500 KATBOT
Good stuff, Mrs. Lebore.

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501 DELORE
Thank you, Katerina. It's...
(helpfully over-
enunciates)
Fr-en-ch. They call it
"cocotte en terre de thon." In
English we call it
(over-enunciates)
"tu-na cas-ser-ole".

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502 KATBOT
I have a thing for tuna.
(inspects contents of her
fork)
But I'm not as sure about the
casserole part.

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503 DELORE
(crossing to freezer)
Oh, but that's the best! Full of
Vitamin Noodle! Or as the French
say...
(opens freezer, startles)
SACRE BLEU!!!

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She pulls a pair of FROZEN PANTS out of the freezer. She
looks confused as JUNIOR walks up next to her in boxers.

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4 JUNIOR
Those are mine. I'm freezing 'em.

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5 DELORE
Why are you freezing your pants?

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6 JUNIOR
(taking pants)
Everyone's doing it. I mean, I've
had unfrozen pants my whole life.

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He stands his pants up, crouches, jumps into the air and
lands inside the pants. (as boarded) <CRUNCH! tinkle
tinkle...>

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7 JUNIOR (cont'd)
<EFFORT><SHIVER> C'mon, Kat. I'm
bored. Let's go do stuff.

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#

Junior walks out stiff-legged, with difficulty. #

ON KAT as Delore steps up next to her, both watching, #
confused. Hey share a confused look. #

WIPE TO: #

EXT. SIDEWALK - SECONDS LATER - DAY #

Katbot walks normally while Junior walks stiffly in his #
frozen pants <CRUNCH CRUNCH>. Other kids walk along in frozen #
pants, too <crunch, crunch>. A huge billboard advertises Ice #
Pants. On a newspaper in a vending box a headline screams, #
"ICE PANTS, BABY!" #

9 JUNIOR #
(SHIVERING) Man, I'm freezing. #

10 KATBOT #
Maybe it's the frozen pants? #

11 JUNIOR #
(CONDESCENDING) Weather isn't #
caused by pants. It's caused by, #
like, clouds. #

A KID wearing frozen pants approaches, walking stiffly. #

504 KID #1 #
Hey. #

505 JUNIOR #
Hey. #

Katbot watches the kid go. #

12 KATBOT #
Maybe it's because I'm an alien #
from another planet, but again -- #
why do earth teens wear frozen #
pants? #

13 JUNIOR #
Well...it's just the thing to do #
right now, like a fad I guess. #

14 KATBOT #
So a fad is something you do that's #
stupid? #

15 JUNIOR #
No! Sometimes it's something #
stupid that you buy. *

SFX: <A SQUISHING SOUND>. Reacting, Kat and Junior look. #

506 JUNIOR (cont'd) #
 Whoah. That guy's got a Snailz #
 Board! #

ANGLE... #

EXT. BURP N' SLURP - CONTINUOUS #

ANGLE ON: KID #2 who's riding a SNAILZ BOARD - a skateboard #
 without wheels. The kid stomps on a big button on the board #
 and GOO SQUIRTS QUICKLY out the front. Then the kid SLOWLY #
 slides along the goo like a snail. PAN TO CATCH JUNIOR AND #
 KATBOT as they step up, watching. #

18 JUNIOR #
Man, I wish I had a Snailz Board. #
 (as they walk into Burp n' #
 Slurp) #
 Walking is so boring! #

INT. BURP N' SLURP - CONTINUOUS #

Junior and Katbot enter the store, Junior continuing his #
 rant. #

507 JUNIOR (CONT.) #
 ...It's always "left then right, #
 then left, then right..." #

As they pass a DUMPY, GLUM-FACED CLERK (KNUDTEN), CAMERA #
 STAYS ON HIM. He looks up to the SECURITY MONITOR. #

THE SECURITY MONITOR shows Junior with **KATERINA**, whom we see #
 for the first time this episode, as they walk across to a #
 refrigerated case and Junior opens it. #

508 JUNIOR (cont'd) #
 ...then left, then right, then left #
 then right, then left then right... #

ANGLE REFRIGERATED CASE, as Junior pulls out a wrapped #
 burrito and turns to a microwave. #

509 JUNIOR (cont'd) #
 ...then right then right... uh... #

510 KATBOT #
 Are all earthlings so easily bored? #

511 JUNIOR #
 (DEFENSIVE) NO! Just the bored #
 ones. #

He puts his burrito into the microwave. #

REFLECTED ON THE MICROWAVE: Again, it's **KATERINA**. Junior #
 punches buttons 5-0-COOK <BEEP BEEP BEEP>. HOLD on their #
 reflection. #

512 JUNIOR (cont'd) #
 (HUGE SIGH) -- Now we wait. #

513 KATBOT #
 How long? #

514 JUNIOR #
 Fifty seconds. (BEAT) Fifty #
 seconds! What in the name of all ***
 that is worth living for, am I ***
 going to do for fifty seconds?! #

Junior falls to the floor for dramatic effect. #

ANGLE KATBOT as she thinks for a moment. #

21 KATBOT #
 You could do a "waiting dance." #

Junior POPS back up on his feet next to her. #

515 JUNIOR #
 A waiting dance? I don't know what #
 it is, but I LIKE IT! #

NOTE: THERE IS NO MUSIC. This is a spontaneous, a capella #
 moment. #

Katbot spontaneously launches into a light little ditty. She #
 and Junior do some goofy moves (These should be funky, funny, #
 limb-bending moves, angled neck-stretches, etc.) #

23 KATBOT #
 THE WAITING DANCE #
 THE WAITING DANCE #
 THE DANCE THAT YOU DO WHILE YOU #
 WAIT! #
 YOU JUST DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT, #
 AND YOU WAIT WHILE YOU DANCE, #
 AND YOU DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT WAIT #
 WAIITIT! #

<DING> of the microwave. Junior's burrito is ready. #

516 JUNIOR/KATBOT #
 Ding!/Stop!<LAUGHING> #

25 JUNIOR #
 (STILL LAUGHING) That made boring #
 fun! #

26 KATBOT #
 (still laughing) #
 I'm just glad no one was watching! #

SWISH TO: #

CLOSE ON CLERK'S (KNUDTEN'S) FACE, still looking up at the monitor. His eyes are narrowed with a scowl. WIDEN A LITTLE as he holds up a remote and pushes a button. O.S. we hear a tape <START TO QUICKLY REWIND> #

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ANGLE SECURITY MONITOR as the tape <STOPS REWINDING> and plays a recording of Junior and **KATERINA** doing their dance. #
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517 KATERINA #
(recorded) #
YOU JUST DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT, #
AND YOU WAIT WHILE YOU DANCE, #
AND YOU DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT WAIT #
WAIITIT! #

BACK ON KNUDTED, STILL STILL SCOWLING WITH NARROWED EYES. #
Suddenly <BING!> they pop open with a big happy smile. #

DISSOLVE #
TO: **

INT. LEBORE KITCHEN - THE NEXT MORNING #

Katbot sits at the table happily licking a huge stack of waffles. #
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33 KATERINA #
<LICK LICK LICK LICK> (LOOKS UP) #
Are waffles a fad? #

34 DELORE #
(CHUCKLING) Oh, no, they're ***
delightfully filling breakfast #
food. #

Junior ENTERS and opens the freezer. #

35 JUNIOR *
We're out of frozen waffles. C'mon, *
Kat -- let's hit the Burp N' Slurp. ****

36 DELORE *
But I've just made all these -- *

But Junior and Katbot are out the door. Delore holds up a waffle. #

37 DELORE (cont'd) ***
Maybe if I paint them they could be ***
Christmas Coasters. ****

INT. BURP N' SLURP - DAY ****

Junior pops another burrito in the microwave. While he waits, he starts to do the WAITING DANCE with Katbot.

38 JUNIOR #
 THE WAITING DANCE #
 THE WAITING DANCE... ***

But then they notice that a MOM and a TRUCKER are waiting at the counter behind an OLD LADY. The MOM and the TRUCKER are doing the waiting dance. ***

39 MOM/TRUCKER ***
 IT'S THE DANCE YOU DO WHILE YOU ***
 WAIT. ***

40 JUNIOR
 How did they learn your dance, Kat?

41 KATBOT
 I don't know. #

SFX: WE HEAR THE TAPE OF KATBOT SINGING. #

42 KATBOT (cont'd)
 Wait a minute -- isn't that me singing?

43 JUNIOR
 I don't think so. 'Cause you're right here talking.

They look up and spot a monitor playing the surveillance tape of Katbot's dance. ***

43A KATBOT (OS) #
 THE WAITING DANCE #
 THE WAITING DANCE #
 THE DANCE YOU DO WHILE YOU WAIT! #

Knudten watches the MOM and TRUCKER dance with satisfaction. #

BACK ON KATBOT AND JUNIOR.

45 JUNIOR
 That's weird.

46 KATBOT
 I know! They're playing our thing on that TV! #

47 JUNIOR
 (re: microwave, weirded out) #
 No <SNIFF SNIFF> -- I mean my bean and cheese smells like cheese and bean. #

Katbot casts him a sour look. #

WIPE TO: **

EXT. SIDEWALK - A FEW MINUTES LATER

MUSICAL MONTAGE... #

Okay, here we can add MUSIC. **Please check boards to ensure that visuals match new lyrics.** #

On their way back home Katbot and Junior stop at an intersection waiting for the light to change. WIDEN TO REVEAL: A VERY OLD MAN is there, waiting. He is doing the waiting dance. #

48 VERY OLD MAN #
THE WAITING DANCE, THE WAITING #
DANCE! THE DANCE YOU DO WHILE YOU #
WAIT! #

Junior and Katbot pass an ATM. The 3 PEOPLE waiting in line are all doing the Waiting Dance. #

49 PEOPLE #
YOU JUST DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT, #
AND YOU WAIT WHILE YOU DANCE, #
#

Katbot and Junior pass a FAST FOOD DRIVE THRU where cars are in line. The DRIVERS and KIDS are outside their cars doing the dance, as the tune plays on their car stereos. #

50 KIDS AND DRIVERS ***
AND YOU DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT WAIT #
WAIITIT! #

Katbot and Junior pass a bus stop. Everyone waiting for the bus is doing the dance. ***

51 BUS PEOPLE #
THE WAITING DANCE, THE WAITING #
DANCE! THE DANCE YOU DO WHILE YOU #
WAIT! #

END MONTAGE... #

WIPE TO: #

INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - LATER - DAY #

Katbot and Junior are on the couch. He's focused on the program, she's not. #
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52 KATBOT #
I mean, that was...our little #
thing. I'm kinda mad that they #
stole my dance. #

518 JUNIOR #
Then... this might be a good time #
for you to watch TV. #

ON TV: A NEWS ANNOUNCER reads copy over a "FAD ALERT" chyron. #

60 NEWS ANNOUNCER
There's a new fad in town, so get
off your Snailz Board and thaw out ***
those frozen pants. The "Waiting ***
Dance" is sweeping the planet. From ***
tulip infested Holland... ***

THE TV CUTS TO: ***

EXT. DIKE IN HOLLAND - DAY ***

A DUTCH BOY holds his finger in the dike. While he waits for ***
help to come he does the Waiting Dance. ***

61 DUTCH BOY ***
IT'S THE WAITING DANCE ***
THE WAITING DANCE... ***

As he dances he pulls his finger out and a torrent of water ***
knocks him O.S., still dancing. #

62 NEWS ANNOUNCER ***
To icy Alaska... ***

THE TV CUTS TO: ***

EXT. FROZEN ICY LANDSCAPE - DAY

An ESKIMO ice-fishes through a hole in the ice. While #
waiting for a bite he does the Waiting Dance. ***

63 ESKIMO #
YOU JUST DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT, #
AND YOU WAIT WHILE YOU DANCE, #

A whale pops out of the hole in the ice and swallows the ***
ESKIMO, leaving his mouth open while he sings (the Eskimo #
continues to dance) #

64 WHALE ***
AND YOU DANCE WHILE YOU WAIT WAIT #
WAIITIT! #

The Whale swallows the Eskimo and goes back underwater. #

65 NEWS ANNOUNCER (V.O.) #
...to sunny Italy! #

THE TV CUTS TO: ****

ITALY - RESTAURANT - DAY ****

A PIZZA MAKER tosses dough. He tosses the pizza dough in the #
air and waits... #

66 PIZZA MAKER
THE WAITING DANCE
IT'S THE WAITING DANCE!

The pizza dough lands on his head <SPLORSH> as he keeps dancing.

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THE TV CUTS TO:

INT. TV STUDIO - DAY

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The announcer is doing the Waiting Dance.

67 NEWS ANNOUNCER
(humms) Oh... I thought those
clips would never end.

INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Katbot grabs the remote from Junior and <TURNS THE TV OFF>.

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68 KATBOT
(MAD) The whole world's doing our
thing!

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519 JUNIOR
Is that good or bad?

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520 KATBOT
Junior, we've been robbed of our
special stupid little thing! We
have to do something.

#

521 JUNIOR
Great. I'll sit here and click
through all the channels to see if
people have stolen any of our other
things.

#

He reaches for the TV remote Katbot's holding, but she slaps his hand away with her tail.

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522 KATBOT
<CAT SNAP "HECHH!">

#

74 JUNIOR
Or: I'll tell everyone we invented
the dance.

#

523 KATBOT
Good.

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524 JUNIOR
And that you're a robot cat from
outer space!

#

75 KATBOT
Junior!

76 JUNIOR
Psych!

#

He runs out. Katbot turns the TV back on.

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77 NEWS ANNOUNCER
I'm afraid we're experiencing
technical difficulties...which is
great, 'cause I get to dance again!

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He resumes doing the Waiting Dance. Angered, Katbot vents by
using the couch as a scratching post.

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525 KATBOT
<ANGRY CAT SOUND>

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EXT. YARD - CONTINUOUS - DAY

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Marcella's out in her yard with a CHESS BOARD, practicing.
But soon her thoughts turn to her obsession...

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78 MARCELLA
If I could only get Katbot to use
her powers in public. Then everyone
would know she's an alien. Then
it'd be checkmate!

She knocks over a white KING.

79 MARCELLA (cont'd)
Then I'd have Junior all to myself.
He'd be my knight in shining
armor...

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She picks up a black KNIGHT.

80 MARCELLA (cont'd)
...and I'd be his QUEEN!

She picks up the black QUEEN and makes it kiss the knight.

526 MARCELLA (cont'd)
<SMOOCHY KISSY KISSY>

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Junior rolls up on his skateboard.

81 JUNIOR
Hey, Marcella!

She throws the pieces in the air.

82 MARCELLA
Wha...! (RECOVERING) Hello, Sir
Junior I mean, Junior -- sir.

83 JUNIOR
You know that Waiting Dance
everyone's doing?

84 MARCELLA
That stupid thing? I hate it.

85 JUNIOR
I like it.

86 MARCELLA
Me, too.

87 JUNIOR
Anyway, the important thing is,
Katerina invented it. So spread the
word.

88 MARCELLA
Why?

89 JUNIOR
'Cause she wants credit. Now if
you'll excuse me, nothing can
distract me from my mission.

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A (THIRD) KID rides up on a skateboard.

92 KID #3
Hey, Junior, wanna check out the
new half-pipe at the skatepark?

93 JUNIOR
You got it, brah.

They ride off. Marcella picks up the white QUEEN and talks to
it.

94 MARCELLA
So you want credit, eh? This is
perfect. If I take the credit,
Katerina Botenski will be so mad,
she's sure to use her alien powers,
and then everyone will know she's
from another planet!

Marcella whips out a cell phone and hits <SPEED DIAL>.

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527 MARCELLA (cont'd)
Yes, I must speak at once to News
Announcer Rick Fredricks, of the
four-o'clock news...

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WIPE TO:

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INT. TV STUDIO - DAY

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The News Announcer, as boarded.

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102 NEWS ANNOUNCER
And here she is...the creative
genius who's lifted the spirits of
Planet Earth...Marcella Curd!

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PULL BACK TO REVEAL Marcella sitting next to the News
Announcer in the studio.

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528 MARCELLA
Good afternoon, Rick Fredricks.

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INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - SAME TIME

#

Junior and Katbot watch TV on the couch. INTERCUT.

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103 KATBOT
Marcella?!

104 JUNIOR
You stole the dance from Marcella?
For shame, Katbot.

ANGLE ON: the TV screen.

105 MARCELLA
That's right, (POINTED) Fellow
Earthlings. I, Marcella Curd,
invented the Waiting Dance all by
myself. Me, myself, and me.

106 NEWS ANNOUNCER
Perhaps our viewers would enjoy
seeing the inventor of the Waiting
Dance do it herself.

107 MARCELLA
Um, well, we're not actually
waiting for anything right now, so
I...can't.

108 NEWS ANNOUNCER
Well, I'm waiting for you to do the
dance, so...I should be dancing!

He starts doing the Waiting Dance himself.

109 NEWS ANNOUNCER (cont'd)
THE WAITING DANCE
THE WAITING DANCE
THE DANCE YOU DO WHILE YOU WAIT!

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ANGLE ON: Junior and Katbot, who's shredding what's left of
the couch. Junior leaps onto the ottoman.

110 KATBOT
It was bad enough when I didn't get
any credit.

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(MORE)

KATBOT (CONT'D)
 But for Marcella to take credit?!
 <LOUD CAT HISS> Stand back for
 special effects!

#

Junior dives behind what's left of the couch. Katbot lowers her head, aiming her antennae at the TV. She shoots energy bolts at the TV screen. They reflect off the TV and hit her (which is exactly what she had in mind). She's zapped into the TV.

ANGLE ON: The TV screen. Katbot appears between Marcella and the News Announcer. She's dressed in a SUIT AND TIE like an announcer, and has a BAD TOUPEE on.

111 MARCELLA
 She's here! My plan worked!

But before Marcella can say anything about Katbot being an alien, Katbot bends her antennae to the left and the right so she can ZAP Marcella and the News Announcer, freezing them in suspended animation.

112 KATBOT (MAN VOICE)
 We interrupt this broadcast to
 announce that...(HYPNOTIC VOICE)
 you will all forget the Waiting
 Dance. It never existed.

#

ON KATBOT'S EYES: As her pupils pendulum hypnotically.

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EXT. IGLOO - SAME TIME

The igloo has a satellite dish on it. A beam of energy <ZAPS> into the dish.

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INT. IGLOO - SAME TIME

The same ESKIMO we saw fishing sits watching a TV. His eyes PENDULUM back and forth. A POLAR BEAR enters to attack the Eskimo

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529 POLAR BEAR
 <HUNGRY GROWL! STOPS SHORT WITH
 BEAR-"HUH?">

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His eyes bug open and tick-tock as he's hypnotized.

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EXT. WINDMILL - SAME TIME

The windmill's rotating blades receive a <ZAP> of energy.

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INT. WINDMILL - SAME TIME

The same DUTCH BOY we saw before watches his floating TV in waist-deep water. His eyes are tick-tocking too.

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INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - DAY

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Junior peeks up from behind the ratty couch, watching the TV. #

530 JR.

Hey, something's wrong.

He whacks the side of his head with the palm of his hand. His eyes start tick-tock. #

531 JR. (cont'd)

There we go. #

He's hypnotized.

INT. TV STUDIO - DAY

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Katbot's still hypnotizing the world.

115 KATBOT

(HYPNOTIC) ...you now have
absolutely no memory of the Waiting
Dance. Or the time I hacked up a
hairball in math class. #

Her antennae touch together and SPARK. She disappears.

INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - DAY

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Katbot appears on the couch. Junior quickly stands up behind it, no longer hypnotized. #

116 JUNIOR

Hey, what's Marcella doing on TV?

ANGLE ON: TV screen. The News Announcer turns to Marcella.

117 NEWS ANNOUNCER

What are you doing on TV?

118 MARCELLA

I...I don't know.

119 NEWS ANNOUNCER

This just in: announcer kicks
little girl off newscast. #

EXT. NEWS STATION (STILL ON TV) - CONTINUOUS

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In the distance a door is <FLUNG> open and Marcella comes flying out in a big, cartoony arc, landing with a bounce on the sidewalk. #

532 MARCELLA

aaaaaaAAAAAAA<OOF!> #

INT. LEBORE TV ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Katbot smiles, satisfied.

DISSOLVE

TO:

EXT. SIDEWALK - DAY

Katbot walks along under gray skies. She sees people waiting in line at an ATM. They all look very gloomy, hanging their heads and slumping their shoulders.

She passes the same DRIVE THRU FULL OF CARS. The drivers all sit grouchy in their seats, <HONKING> impatiently. A BABY CRIES in a back seat near Katbot (its window is down).

533 BABY
<CRYING>

Katbot passes a line of people waiting for a bus. They're all DRESSED IN GRAY. The bus arrives and gives a <SAD HONK>. The people shuffle onto the bus in lockstep. SFX: MARCHING FEET.

120 KATBOT
Okay, these people are totally miserable. So -- maybe I did the wrong thing? I hate it when I'm wrong.

WIPE TO:

INT. BURP N' SLURP - LATER

Katbot runs toward the refrigerated case pulling Junior by the hand.

121 JUNIOR
I'm not really that hungry. Mom just fed me a whole stack of tuna-waffle sandwiches.

122 KATBOT
Just get a burrito.

He grabs one, puts it in the microwave, and presses the buttons <BEEP, BEEP BEEP>. Suddenly he looks aghast...

EXT. BURP N' SLURP - CONTINUOUS

123 JUNIOR (O.S.)
Fifty seconds? What am I going to do for fifty seconds?!

DISSOLVE

TO:

INT. KATBOT'S BEDROOM - THAT EVENING

Katbot lies on her bed in alien cat form, relaxing with her arms behind her head. She's listening to the radio.

125 RADIO ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
...Liechtenstein, and finally,
Monaco. So it's official, the
Waiting Dance is a new worldwide
fad!

534 LAPTOP VOICE (V.O.)
Incoming K-mail. Incoming K-mail.

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She opens her laptop and sees PROFESSOR MEEW on the screen.

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126 KATBOT
Professor Meew!

127 PROFESSOR MEEW
Katbot, report.

128 KATBOT
Well, earthlings have these things
called fads.

#

129 PROFESSOR MEEW
What are they? Something you lie
down on for a quick nap?

#

130 KATBOT
A fad is something everybody buys
or does for a short period of time.

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131 PROFESSOR MEEW
You mean like when everyone on
Katatonia was getting whisker
extensions?

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132 KATBOT
Exactly.

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*

133 PROFESSOR MEEW
So fads are very bad.

#

134 KATBOT
Sometimes, like if your pants melt.
But fads can be good, too, like
when they make people dance in line
at the taco stand. And even if you
start a fad and you don't get
credit? Who cares? Bringin' a
little silliness into the world is
priceless.

#

135 PROFESSOR MEEW
Well done, Katbot. Your report at
least gets full credit.

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#

136 KATBOT #
Thanks. #

535 PROFESSOR MEEW #
Now I'm off to conduct more #
research. #

CLOSE ON: The screen of the laptop. Professor Meew rides off ***
very slowly on a Snailz board wearing thawing frozen pants. *

536 PROFESSOR MEEW (cont'd) #
(SLOWER THAN USUAL, TO MATCH SLOW #
SPEED OF BOARD) Meowww... for... #
nowww! #

THE END