

TITLE: NIGHTMARE NEVER ENDS  
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- *Zain Aljaidi and Afaan Aljaidi, aged 17,19 were two Syrian immigrant brothers who got separated from their mother in the Syrian skirmish and were all alone in America.*

*Desperate to make the ends meet and with no choice but to work, Zain started working as a server at a local restaurant called "Sebs", but however the elder brother Afaan was autistic and had ADHD, so he spent all of his time listening to his walkman cassettes.*

*One day, at work, Zain receives a call from an unknown number. When he picks it up, he is startled and surprised to hear his mother's voice after four long years. Unfortunately, the call had a lot of static, whispers, and murmurs, and Zain wasn't able to make out anything from the call except for one thing. "MY SON'S COME TO ROTTEN DREAM TOWN, I'M WAITING FOR YOU!" and the call cuts off.*

- *Zain is startled and confused about what just happened, but he didn't think much about it; he knew that voice was definitely his mothers. He rushed out, picked up his brother on the way, and set off for Rotten Dream Town. The Brothers are all confused about details like "where was she for the last 4 years?" and "how did the mother get to America?" "How did she know which number to call?" "Why didn't she come to us?" "Why was the phone call so creepy with all the static and whispers?" But the brother didn't care about all the details , they were glad and thrilled to find their mother was alright.*
- *Afaan gets all excited to hear that his mother is safe. To savor (relish) the news, Afaan starts messing with the car radio, going through random FM channels to find the music channel, but to their surprise, they hear their mother's voice on the FM channel telling them to "COME QUICK I'M TIRED OF WAITING" Freaked out, Zain loses control over the car and crashes it into a tree. With the car all broken down, they decided to walk the rest of the way, the town was just a few miles away.*
- *Zain was still thinking about the incident that just unfolded, but he waved it off, blaming all the night shifts he did at Seb's and his lack of sleep for the accident.*

- *As they arrived in the town. The townspeople of this eerie town seemed to be shrouded in mystery and darkness. They moved with a slow and lumbering gait, their eyes sunken and hollow with huge dark circles like they haven't slept for months. Their skin was a sickly pale color, as if they had never seen the light of day. They wore strange and outdated clothing, as if they had stepped out of a time long since forgotten. Their hair was unkempt and tangled, with strands of greasy hair falling across their pallid faces. They started gawking and glaring at the brothers, then started acting weird like something bad had just happened and started whispering among themselves.*

*Creeped out, Zain and Afaan decided to leave, but no matter what route they took, they always ended up in the same town, like an endless loop. Now the townsfolk started laughing among themselves. Their laughs sounded so horrible, it was almost unnatural. It sent a shiver down the brothers spines and made them uncomfortable.*

- *Zain spots a girl about his age and begs for an explanation about what is going on in this town. She explains with a cynical laughter that all the townsfolk arrived to this town to meet their loved ones who went missing, the same way as the brothers and have been stuck in this town ever since.*
- *She warns them to never go out at night or else "THE DREAM WALKER WILL GET YOU!!!" She further explained that Dream Walker's primary method of attack is through psychological manipulation. It can plant false memories, create vivid nightmares, and even induce sleep paralysis, leaving its victims unable to move or defend themselves, still confused, as dusk set and all townsfolk rushed into their houses.*
- *As the dusk set, the brothers saw the most horrifying, dreadful sight: a tall, shadowy figure emerging from the bushes with long, spindly limbs and glowing, red eyes that seemed to pierce through the darkness. Its eyes were glowing orbs of fiery red, like two molten pools of lava, unblinking. The monster had a mouth full of bloody red, razor-sharp teeth, stained with the blood of its victims, and as he moved closer, the whispers and murmurs got louder and louder until their ears started bleeding.*

- *The monster got closer to the brothers and whispered in their mother's voice, "YOU ALL DID GOOD, NOW LET'S STAY TOGETHER FOREVER" and then chomped Zain's arm off. Screaming in pain, Zain wakes up with a cold sweat. He takes a sign of relief, believing all that was just a dream.*

*As Zain glances over his phone, he gets another call from an unknown number. Zain anxiously lifts the calls. A chill went down his spine, petrified he hears his mother's voice saying "SON I'M WAITING FOR YOU OUTSIDE COME QUICK!"*

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