

EXT. CORRIDOR DAY

Stand upper: Jacques Ooi

JACQUES OOI is reporting. A KARANG GUNI MAN is in the background honking.

JACQUES OOI

With the new app, Merrygoround, on the rise, buying and selling of items has never been easier.

KARANG GUNI MAN

(horns the horn)

*Karang Guni!* Collecting old newspaper, clothing and television!

Jacques Ooi looks at camera awkwardly.

JACQUES OOI

One can simply sign up and set up an online store within minutes

KARANG GUNI MAN

(horns the horn)

*Karang Guni!*

JACQUES OOI

... in the comfort of their homes and sell their used items.

KARANG GUNI MAN

Eh boy, you want to sell the camera?

Jacques Ooi looks into camera awkwardly.

EXT. CONDO CARPARK - DAY

Jacques Ooi is showing NANCY GOH the app, Merrygoround.

NANCY GOH

What is this app all about? Buying second-hand items? What? I think young people these days are very ridiculous. You buy all these dirty items online, you don't even know what things they did inside the shirt. Even the best detergent can only kill 99% of the germs, that 1% will kill you, I tell you!

Worst still, maybe they die in the shirt then their parents sell the shirt to you.

Nancy Goh catches Jacques Ooi looking at her.

NANCY GOH

No. When my children die I will not sell their shirt.

(beat)

Why? You think I'm a bad mother is it? Do I look like a bad mother? You are very rude.

EXT. VOID DECK - day

LETICIA BONGNINO is walking under the void deck with bags of grocery.

LETICIA BOGNINO

Good morning Ma'am, good morning Sir, my name is Leticia, and I am a maid. Ah, yes, Leticia also shop on Merrygoround.

(points at own top)

This is from Merrygoround for only \$4, very cheap. But, you see here.

(reveals curry stained mark)

The seller say it's preloved, but Leticia see no love. But Leticia will continue to support Merrygoround,

(whispers)

because Ma'am don't give me off day to go shopping.

Jacques Ooi reacts, then composes himself.

EXT. CARPARK - DAY

GOO BO ZHUA pushes up his glasses.

GOO BO ZHUA

I would give you my two cents on this matter, but now all these young people come steal the only two cents i earn, i have no more to give you.

(beat)

But seriously ah, all these young people too much! We, karang guni men are just doing this for a living, for the environment, for the society. But what do we get in return? Huh?

(horns his horn)

JACQUES OOI

Ouch, that's a bit loud-

GOO BO ZHUA

What loud? Now you complain I loud? You are very ungrateful! Thanks to people like you, the ring-ring-ring of my ice-cream friend no more, the tok-tok-tok of my wanton mee friend also no more. Now, you want my por-por-por to vanish also right?

(horns his horn)  
Right?

(horns his horn)  
Right?

Goo Bo Zhua continues honking. Jacques Ooi motion to cut.

EXT. CORRIDOR - DAY

Jacques Ooi checks his surrounding for karang gunis.

JACQUES OOI  
It seems that teenagers are now overtaking the  
traditional karang gunis through Merrygoround and forcing  
the karang gunis to be out of job.

KARANG GUNI MAN  
Sell me your camera please, ah boy.

JACQUES OOI  
(beat)  
This is Jacques Ooi, reporting for The Noose.  
(loud whisper)  
No! Stop disturbing us. I don't want to retake this  
scene.

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