Pitching Movies With Helen Hunt Sketch by Andrew Apple

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CAST: Helen Hunt(ish), Podcast Host

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HELEN HUNT and HOST are sitting at a table with microphones to record a podcast. Host has a stack of NOTECARDS in his hand.

HOST

This next segment is called "Pitching Movies With Helen Hunt". I have in my hand a list of movie ideas that I'm going to share with Helen one-by-one and get her thoughts.

HELEN

I'm ready. Let's do this.

HOST

Alright the first movie idea is...

Host sets the stack of notecards down and grabs the top one.

HOST

A movie about a time traveling horse -

Helen cuts Host off.

HELEN

I love this idea already. You fade in on me riding a horse into a barn. The horse and I come out on the other side of the barn in a different year. 1925. The sky is dark. The air is warm. There is an eery calm. You hear it before you see it. It sounds like a train getting closer. And then BOOM! A tractor slams into the side of the barn. My character rides away on the horse and turns just in time to see it, a giant tornado.

HOST

A tornado?

HELEN

A massive one.

HOST

Well that was unexpected. Ok moving on.

Host puts the first card down and picks up the next one.

HOST

Movie idea number two. A movie about a poor family who inherits a mansion from a -

HELEN

I got it. Just as the family is pulling up the drive to see the mansion for the first time, without warning, an F5 whirlwind from the north/northwest rips the roof off. In an attempt to get away, the fam -

HOST

Wait wait. Hold on. An F5 whirlwind? A tornado?

HELEN

Yep.

HOST

Another tornado?

HELEN

What?

HOST

(annoyed)

Let's just move on.

Host sets the card down and picks up the next one.

HOST

Ok. Number three. Oh this looks interesting. A rom-com about an engaged couple who finds out they are siblings because of -

HELEN

Yes. I like it. And just before they have time to process the information, a VW bug comes flying through the living room as if launched from a giant slingshot. The winds are so strong the couple has no choice but to

hold on to each other for dear life.

HOST

(not amused)

Winds, you say. From what, I can only imagine.

HELEN

From a wedge tornado.

HOST

A wedge tornado.

HELEN

They can sometimes be over a mile wide.

HOST

You don't say.

HELEN

Hey. You asked.

HOST

Did I though? Let's just move on to the last one.

Host sets the card down and picks up the last one.

HOST

Movie idea number four. A space flick where the newly created space force is tasked with setting up a base on the moon.

Helen coughs and Host mistakes this for being interrupted again.

HOST

Let me guess. A giant space tornado launches the crew way beyond the moon.

HELEN

There's no -

HOST

Or a galactic cyclone destroys the ship just as they land.

HELEN

But there's no -

HOST

Or a "wedge" tornado forces the crew to fly into the sun.

HELEN

Hey! There's no air in space. Why would a movie in space have a twister? My suggestion for this movie idea is that the crew goes to set up a moon base and discovers another country already has so they have to figure out who it is and how long they have been there. All without being detected.

HOST

And that wraps up "Pitching Movies With Helen Hunt"

Host throws the cards in the air. As he does, a STRONG WIND blows the cards away.

FADE OUT