

# I Would! I Would!

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Characters:

Commander/Mother Blorp - Alien commander. Very stern.

Private Blorp Jr/Lena - New private in the alien military squadron. Eager to impress their mother, also has a big heart.

(Note: pronounce "Blorp" in the most nonsensical alien way possible for maximum comedic effect)

Shane - super chill college student #1. Super into aliens.

Sammy - super chill college student #2. Super into aliens.

**Scene 1.** COMMANDER BLORP and PRIVATE  
BLORP JR are together in a zoom call

COMMANDER BLORP

Good evening, private Blorp.

PRIVATE BLORP JR.

Good evening, commander. You said you had an assignment for me?

COMMANDER BLORP

Yes, and it's an important one.

PRIVATE BLORP JR.

I am ready for whatever task you need me for, commander.

COMMANDER BLORP

Excellent. Well as you know, human technology has been advancing rapidly. Our squadron has been keeping a close eye on them for some time, and we're concerned that they will begin branching out into space very soon, threatening the sovereignty of the BORKBLEEG people. We need someone to go down to Earth and pretend to be one of them, in order to lure some humans in so they can be abducted and interrogated.

PRIVATE BLORP JR

So you want me to... act? I was expecting something with a bit more fighting involved, I'm not really trained in acting.

COMMANDER BLORP gives a stern look

COMMANDER BLORP

Do you wish to advance in this squadron, private?

PRIVATE BLORP JR

I would! I would!

COMMANDER BLORP

Then you shall do as I say! You shall bring these humans in, and they will be interrogated and dissected if necessary! Now, as the youngest private, you are the best choice for this mission. All you have to do is act natural. I have already enrolled you in a university class at some sort of human learning center called Rochester Institute of Technology (*note: mispronounce this badly*). You will be tasked with bringing some of your classmates in for interrogation.

PRIVATE BLORP JR

I understand Commander. I won't let you down.

COMMANDER BLORP

Thank you for your cooperation. I'll see you after your mission is complete. You have 24 hours. Do NOT disappoint me.

**Scene 2.** SHANE, SAMMY, and PRIVATE BLORP JR are in a zoom call. BLORP is noticeably nervous

SAMMY

Hey everyone! I'm super excited to work on this game design project together! I've already got so many ideas.

SHANE

I'm excited as well! I don't have many ideas just yet, but I'm excited to hear yours!

SAMMY

Awesome! Well, since we're going to be working together, I think it'd be good to get to know each other a bit! We should say our name, pronouns, major, and a fun fact about ourselves! I'll start! My name is Sammy, my pronouns are she/her, I'm a game design major, and my fun fact is I have a wood eye!

SHANE

Woah, EYE WOOD say that's pretty neat!

SAMMY laughs. BLORP does not get it.

SHANE

Anyway, I'll go next! Hi! I'm Shane, my pronouns are he/him, I'm also a game design major, and my fun fact is that my favorite song is Bill Withers' Lean On Me!

SAMMY

Great! I love that song!

(to PRIVATE BLORP JR)

And what about you?

PRIVATE BLORP JR

*(mumbling) lean on me... lean on... (end mumbling)* Le...na? And... p-pronouns?

SHANE

Nice to meet you, Lena! You're confused about pronouns, that's ok. I can explain. It's just how you wish to be addressed by others. For example, when someone refers to me, I want them to say "he is Shane!" so my pronouns are he/him. If I'm talking about Sammy, I might say "she is super cool!" because her pronouns are she/her. It's all based on how you identify.

LENA

I identify as... real human person.

SAMMY

Oh, I get it. Gender isn't for everyone. Perhaps you'd like to be referred to as they/them?

LENA nods.

SAMMY

Alright, got it. And since you're in this class, I imagine you're a game design major as well?

LENA nods again.

SAMMY

Makes sense. And a fun fact about yourself?

LENA

I... I enjoy... human activities and music.

SAMMY

Nice! That's relatable. I enjoy human activities and music too. Might I add, I love your green face makeup, it's super cute!

SHANE

I agree! You'll have to give me some fashion tips sometimes.

LENA

I... ok!

SHANE

Awesome, thank you! Anyway though, we should get started on this project. So, Sammy, what were some of those ideas of yours?

SAMMY

Ok, so my first idea is a game where you play soccer, but instead of controlling a person, you control a rocket-propelled car!

SHANE

Hmmm... maybe. But I'm not really into sports games. Or cars. How about you, Lena?

LENA

I... what's a... sports?

SAMMY

Ok, perhaps we shouldn't do that one. But don't worry, I have more! How about a game where you're all trying to fix a spaceship, except that one person is trying to stop everyone from fixing the ship, and you have to try to figure out who it is?

SHANE

...I think that game might already exist.

SAMMY

You're right. It might be a little bit too much like Overwatch. But that's ok! I have one more, and it's my favorite! It's a story game involving an alien who goes on space adventures!

SHANE

Oh man that one sounds fun! I love aliens!

LENA

You... you love aliens? 🙌🙌

SHANE

Of course! Aliens are super cool!

SAMMY nods in agreement

SAMMY

I hope one day, humans are able to explore space, so we can meet them all! I bet they're super friendly. Don't you think so, Lena?

LENA

I... I'm not so sure.

SHANE

Lena and Sammy, we should hang out sometime! I have ET on DVD!

SAMMY

Woah, really? Me too! I have the whole box set! Lena, have you ever seen it?

LENA

I... no. I don't think I've even heard of it before.

SAMMY and SHANE gasp

SHANE

Well we definitely gotta hang out and watch it now... what do you say?

LENA is tearing up a little

SAMMY

Lena... are you alright?

LENA

Yeah it's just... I've never been invited to "hang out" before. And... I can't.

SAMMY

Awww... I'm sorry to hear that. And that's ok... I get it... with COVID and everything...

LENA

No, that's not it... whatever that is. I'm actually... an alien.

SAMMY and SHANE give a little laugh

LENA

No... really. I was sent here by Commander Blorp to come abduct some humans to be interrogated and dissected... but I just can't do it. You guys seem so nice, and I know we just met but you're some of the best friends I've ever had.

SHANE

Awww... that's so sweet. That's a cute analogy too, Lena. But you're not alien to us.

LENA

No, I mean it! I'm actually an alien, but I...

The voice of COMMANDER BLORP is heard  
from "above"



COMMANDER BLORP

PRIVATE BLORP JR. YOUR TIME IS UP. YOUR MISSION HAS FAILED. RETURN IMMEDIATELY.

A blue light shines upon LENA as they are beamed up back into space. SHANE and SAMMY watch in confusion.

LENA

Goodbye, Shane and Sammy. I'll never forget you.

SHANE and SAMMY

Lena, wait!

LENA vanishes. SHANE and SAMMY stare at the camera in awe.

Black out.

**Scene 3.** COMMANDER BLORP and PRIVATE BLORP JR are together in a zoom call

COMMANDER BLORP

Private Blorp Jr! You have failed! It has been 24 hours and not a single human was brought up for interrogation!

LENA

I did my best... but... humans aren't like I was raised to believe they are. They're super nice, they gave me a name, pronouns, and I'm even a game design major now!

COMMANDER BLORP

What is this crazy human nonsense? I will have none of it in my squadron, especially being a \*scoffs\* Game Design Major! (A pause) You're grounded!

LENA

But moooooooooom!

COMMANDER BLORP

No buts! Guards, take her to her room immediately!

SAMMY and SHANE appear in the zoom call

SHANE

Hey, alien lady! It's take \*them\* to \*their\* room! And we've come to rescue Lena from you!

COMMANDER BLORP

Ugh, enough with this human talk. Guards, arrest them!

SAMMY

We're on a Zoom call, commander dumbass! How are you gonna capture us?

COMMANDER BLORP

Ugh!!!! Guards!!!! Kick them from the call?

SHANE

Not so fast! We have this!

SAMMY pulls out adoption papers

SAMMY

We adopted Lena! They're our child now!

COMMANDER BLORP

What? You can't just...

SHANE

We can and did!

COMMANDER BLORP

Well... ugh! Fine! I guess that's legally binding! Private Blorp is no longer needed here anyway!  
Just... be gone with you!

COMMANDER BLORP logs off the call

LENA

You guys... adopted me?

SAMMY

Yeah, what are friends for, if not to adopt each other to free them from their unsupportive mothers?

SHANE

You wanna go get some pizza and watch ET with us, Lena?

LENA points to SAMMY's eye

LENA

I would! I would!

SAMMY

Wow, I'm glad you remembered that joke from a while ago. Anyway, let's go!

LENA

Ok! But what is... pizza?

SHANE

Oh, Lena... We have a lot to teach you about Earth.

The trio exits the call. "Lean on Me" by Bill Withers plays.

**FIN**