

FDMAT 108 - Week 10

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EXT. AMAZON JUNGLE - DAY

Sophia and Astrid on a tour boat floating gaily down the Amazon. Astrid's wearing a hat (that's important for later). Their backpack sits on the deck beside them. A brightly colored toucan suddenly swoops in and confidently grabs the backpack. It's wings pound rapidly with the effort as what it assumed to be an easy theft turns out to be naught but drudgery. It slowly lifts the backpack just high enough to scrape the boat railing. The toucan continues to flap as madly as his little heart will let him, and he and the backpack continue to slope toward the water. A black caiman, almost completely submerged in water, patiently awaits touchdown. Just as the bottom of the backpack touches the water, the caiman erupts, swallowing whole both toucan and backpack. He licks his chops and smiles the way caimans do.

Beat.

The smile abruptly turns into a frown, and the caiman spits out the toucan. The toucan flaps away as madly as his little heart will let him, albeit slightly lopsided and covered in caiman slime.

Returning to the girls, Sophia stares dumbfounded and Astrid lowers her phone, with which she has been live-streaming the entire event.

SOPHIA

Our tickets and keys were
definitely in that backpack.

ASTRID

(pleased)

But, you know, this live stream has
more viewers than when we rode the
water buffalo in India.

PAN TRANSITION

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EXT. MONSTER TRUCK/BOAT RENTAL BUSINESS - LATER

Sophia and Astrid stand in front of a random rental business by the river. A large sign in front says, "We accept credit cards." Astrid stares lustily at a monster truck displayed in front of the business, beside which is a sign with a picture of a monster truck and "\$37.50 per day plus \$.88 per kilometer fuel fee." Sophia, on the other hand, looks contemplatively at a display boat, beside which is a similar sign with a picture of a motorboat and "\$60 per day plus \$.19 per kilometer fuel fee."

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ASTRID

We should take the monster truck.
It's \$20 cheaper.

SOPHIA

Only per day. The boat costs more
per day, but fuel is cheaper.

Sophia reaches down and picks up a stick and draws a graph with two linear functions, circling where the lines intersect.

SOPHIA (CONT'D)

The price difference happens around
33 kilometers. Since we need to go
45, the boat is cheaper.

ASTRID

Aww. But the monster truck is
cooler.

SOPHIA

(pulling out her credit card
from her pocket)

I still have my emergency credit
card with no foreign transaction
fees, but I have limited credit, so
we need to pick the cheaper option.

The toucan makes a sudden reappearance. Still covered in
caiman slime, it swoops down and snatches up Astrid's hat.
It carries it aloft in slippery talons. Sophia stares
dumbfounded. Astrid live-streams.

ASTRID

106 viewers and climbing.

The black caiman erupts from the water and swallows the
toucan and hat whole. After a brief moment, it spits out the
toucan, and the toucan flops away slimy but unharmed.

Sophia and Astrid look on in fascination.

Beat.

SOPHIA

Maybe we *should* take the monster
truck to stay away from that
caiman.

INSTANT TO BLACK