

The Good, the Bad, and the Chimpanzee

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Shot of the sky, birds flying. In a small, isolated town, a man walks into a saloon. He has a mustache, is wearing a black hat, cape, and a mask that covers his eyes. The patrons of the bar grow quiet and whisper.

“Gasp!” “El Masked Bandito...”

The masked figure speaks, “Where’s your stash?” He hands the bartender a sack. “Good. Just put it all in here.” Suddenly, a gun is pointed at the head of the masked figure.

“Hold it!” The gun holder says.

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The face of Minnie (the chimp from the last story!) is holding up the masked bandito. She is dressed in cowboy gettup.

Minnie: You’re not from around here, are you? ‘Cause if you were, you’d know that this is my town. (She cocks her gun. The masked bandito looks nervous and yelps.)

Minnie: I’m gonna give you a headstart. Drop the bag.

(The masked bandito drops the bag and zips away.)

Minnie: (to the bartender) He won’t be bothering you again.

Bartender: Oh thank you, sir! Please, how can I repay you?

Minnie smiles and looks at the bananas.

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Cut to the desert. Marty (the masked bandito) and Minnie are relaxing in the shade and sharing the bananas they earned during the fake robbery. The costume Marty was wearing is on the ground next to them.

Marty: Can you believe it? They’ve heard of me! El Masked Bandito...

Minnie: We’ve gotta lay low for a while. There are some folks out here that would love to get their hands on you.

Marty: Well, that’s the point of the disguise... Maybe someday I could use this costume to do good. Become a hero...

Minnie: Get real. We’re just on this rock until we can find a way to get back home.

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A carriage appears but no one is driving the horses. Marty and Minnie run up to see the carriage and hold it up. They see a dying man inside.

Marty: (sticks gun in the man’s face) Your bananas, sir! If you would please...

The man croaks and moans: ...bananas..?

Minnie: Or we could just end your misery.

Man: My bonanza... bonanza... hidden...

The two chimps look at each other with curious eyes.

Man: hidden... in minefield...

Marty's gun accidentally goes off "BLAM!" and kills the man.

Marty: Oops.

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Minnie leaps at Marty in anger but they stumble over the man's body and his diary falls out. She opens it up and finds a map to the treasure. She and Marty fight over the map "Give me that!" "No! Mine!" and it tears in half, each chimp has a piece of it.

Minnie: Argh! (they hold the two halves together)

Marty: Haha! You're stuck with me.

Minnie: So it seems.

As they leave to search for this bonanza, a pair of menacing eyes glare at them hidden in the back of the carriage.

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The two chimps are wandering through the desert. They pass by war propoganda, interesting landmarks, skeletons, etc... Minnie is in a sour mood because she is not in control of the stakes. Marty is just happy to have leverage. Marty makes small talk.

Marty: I have a secret... (whispers) I never learned to read.

Minnie: That explains a lot.

(They continue walking)

Marty: Alright, where are we? (he holds his map upside down.)

Marty and Minnie look at the joint map.

Minnie: Well we're still at least a day from the minefield...

They see a shadow appear on the ground.

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A dark figure stands over Marty and Minnie and they see a stone cold evil look on his face.

Minnie: You lost, pal?

Bubb: Name's Bubb, Bubb Les.

Minnie: What can we do for you, Bubb?

Bubb: You know whose that is? (He is looking at their map)

Marty: Mine?

Bubb: Don't think so... I think that doesn't belong to you. (Bubb grabs Marty's half of the map and looks at it, gun pointed) Where's the rest of it? (He stares at Minnie).

Minnie: Over my dead body.

Bubb: Well, if you insist. (He lassos her and steals her off on his horse. Marty is left in the dust).

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Marty has a fever dream where the Masked Bandito rescues him and they ride off together.

Marty: (riding on the back of his horse) I accidentally shot someone.

Masked Bandito: That's okay.

After they ride off, Marty is still lying in the sand.

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Bubb has taken Minnie to his hideout.

Bubb: We're gonna camp out here tonight. We'll go for the bonanza in the morning.

Minnie: Like I'll be able to rest my eyes out here with you.

Bubb: Oh, come now. *You* don't trust *me*? You and your pal are the ones who killed *my* master.

Minnie: So is this revenge?

Bubb: Revenge? Ha. That stuff in beneath me. I'm a fair man, you work with me and we can split the shares.

Minnie: What about the rest of your gang? I could smell them miles back.

(Bubb looks menacing, and a group of monkeys walk into the scene. Minnie does some quick shooting, steals Bubb's horse and rides off into the desert)

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Minnie finds Marty lying on the ground dehydrated and delusional.

Marty: Oh, Masked Bandito... You came back for me!

Minnie: Nope. Sorry, it's just me.

Marty: Oh, well.

Minnie: (helps Marty up). Come on. Let's shoot some monkeys.

(They shoot at a bunch of monkeys coming after them. They continue riding away and come across a group of soldiers in battle against the natives blocking a bridge)

Marty: How should we get past these guys?

(Minnie lights a stick of dynamite, throws it in the battle. It explodes and clears the path)

Minnie: Okay, let's go!

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They finally arrive at the minefield with half of the map. Danger signs indicate the presence of landmines.

Minnie: Well, how do we navigate this minefield without the rest of the map?

(Bubb shows up from the side, murderous)

Bubb: Well, well, the lone ranger and her sidekick.

(They all stare at each other. Hands are hovering over their holsters.)

Marty: I'm sorry I killed your dad!

Bobb: That wasn't my dad, bozo. I poisoned him, and you knuckleheads stole what is rightfully mine.

Marty: (gasp) Murderer!

Bubb: (to Minnie) We would have made a great team...

Minnie: Too late now.

(They all draw their guns to shoot. Minnie kills Bubb, Marty realizes his gun was replaced by a banana)

Marty: Hey, you switched out my gun! (He feels confused and then begins to eat the banana)

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Marty and Minnie take the map from Bubb's dead body and carefully navigate through the minefield. They dig up the treasure chest and pull out a bunch of bags of gold. Marty is disappointed.

Marty: What kind of bananza is this?!

Minnie: It's gold, Marty.

Marty: The bananza... is not... what I think it is...

Minnie: Well, if you don't want it, I'll take your share.

(She leaves with his share and he wanders off alone and depressed).