

MICK AND JESSE
Episode 4: Kia Ora

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EXT. PINK WALKWAY

Mick and Jesse walk down the pink walkway. Mick runs on the spot, Jesse walks slowly.

MICK

Come on, let's run. Gotta run to the end of the walkway.

JESSE

Hold on, I'm just warming up.

MICK

Jess, can I ask you something?

JESSE

You can ask me anything you want. You know that.

MICK

Am I hot?

JESSE

(unconvincing)

Yeah. Oh yeah, you're super hot.

MICK

I am ay. Thanks. I am hot.

JESSE

Where's this coming from?

MICK

Long Black Evelyn, the coffee cart lady who works Wednesdays. I *think* she likes me. We have great conversation. And the way she says 'kia ora' to me...

JESSE

She says 'kia ora' to everybody.

MICK

I guess it's more the way she says it -- can we run? I got all this energy.

JESSE

Na hold up, I'm stretching still.

Cut to: Jesse and Mick are further down the walkway. Still walking. Mick keeps doing stretches as he walks.

JESSE (cont'd)

So how does she say 'kia ora' to you?

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MICK
It's hard to explain.

JESSE
Okay, well do it to me. I'll be
you.

MICK
And I'll be her.

Mick adjusts Jesse's hair.

JESSE
Okay. Okay, here I come. 'Hello.'

MICK
Wait, you're me? Start again.

They do.

JESSE
Hello.

MICK
'Kia ora'.

JESSE
(genuinely impressive)
Oh okay wow.

MICK
Right?

JESSE
So what's the problem?

MICK
That's some days. Most times I
see her, she's like that. I go
in, and it's like bam, *INDIAN
EXCLAMATIONS*. But other days...
be me again.

JESSE
I'm coming in. 'Hi there.'

MICK
(in exact same way)
'Kia ora.'

JESSE
(genuine)
Whoa, I see. Hmmm.

MICK
Can we run?

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JESSE

Yeah yeah, I just need to get the
cardio up.

Cut to: Mick and Jesse further down the walkway. Still
walking.

JESSE

Maybe just tell her. Straight up.

MICK

What? Like, straight up?

JESSE

Straight up. Always the best way.
If you feel something, say you
feel it. Then at least you'll
know if she feels it too, or if
you should start getting over it.

MICK

You know what?

JESSE

What?

MICK

I think I will.

JESSE

Yeah?

MICK

Yeah!

They high five.

MICK (cont'd)

Okay be Evelyn this time.

JESSE

Alright. 'Hi.' Wait, who am I
this time?

MICK

Evelyn.

JESSE

Right, okay.

MICK

Hi there.

JESSE

Kia ora.

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MICK
Evelyn, I want you.

JESSE
Too strong. Way too strong.

MICK
Okay sorry. Go again.

JESSE
'Hi.'

Throughout Mick's yarn, Jesse gesticulates to hurry Mick up or slow him down.

MICK
Evelyn. Here's the thing. I see you every Wednesday and I have found myself really looking forward to your opinions on things. I know you probably just see me as some random hot guy, but I want to say that I think of you as more than just a random hot girl. And I'd love, one day, to take you out for coffee... or a walk... to talk more. As friends --

JESSE
No.

MICK
As lovers--

JESSE
Yes! Na, too much.

MICK
As two people who share a connection.

Jesse does the AOK sign: perfect.

MICK (cont'd)
What do you say?

JESSE
Not interested.

MICK
What?!

JESSE
You gotta be prepared for that. That's worst case scenario. That considered, you still wanna do it?

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MICK
(takes a second)
I do. I really do.

JESSE
Alright. When does she work?

MICK
Wednesdays.

JESSE
And what's today?

MICK AND JESSE
Wednesday! -- oh no, Friday.