[Cadets of NOMMA are standing outside around noon for the monthly inspection.]

Gunny: Listen up I want all you pitiful excuses for cadets in the position of attention now and reciting the creed.

*(Cadets say the creed, but cadet Cadet just stands there (not at the position of attention and not saying the creed.)*

Gunny: Hey! Cadet what’s your name because I’m about to dig in your chest.

CC: Cadet

Gunny: Cadet what?

CC: Cadet Cadet

Gunny: Does this look like a game to you because if it is I can have you out of here before you can even say “OHH RAH”

CC: No my last name is Cadet.

Gunny: No my last name is Cadet Sir.

CC: Your last name is Cadet Sir? I thought it was Reyes.

Suspicious: Sir, Cadet Cadet is a little slow sir.

Gunny: You get your company in shape Suspicious unless want to be knocked back down to private.

Suspicious: Sir No Sir.

Gunny: Okay then let’s start the inspection

[Gunny Reyes inspects the formation; three of four get a perfect score.]

(Suspicious does an about face after he is inspected.)

CC: Sup Gunny.

*(Cadet Suspicious smiles.)*

Gunny: It’s not “Sup” it “Good morning sir”. And I’ll tell you what’s “Sup”

*(Cadet Cadet cuts him off.)*

CC: Yeah can you hurry this up Gunny I got a date with the guy who sale pickles in the cafeteria.

Gunny: What?

CC: I just left LeBron James for him and he looks like Akon.

Gunny: But why leave millionaire LeBron for somebody who sale pickles?

Suspicious: Sir we are getting off topic.

Gunny: Your right Suspicious, so Cadet where’s your cover?

CC: You mean my hat?

Gunny: I mean your cover!

CC: Don’t have it.

Gunny: What about your Guidebook, Ranks, and Boot bands?

CC: Nope

*(Gunny goes in to fit of rage and then come back to his senses.)*

Gunny: So you mean to tell me that you knew we had inspection today and you just didn’t bring anything!?

CC: See what had happen was… somebody stole my stuff this morning.

*(Cadet Suspicious suddenly starts laughing evilly and rubbing his hands together evilly.)*

Gunny: Well did you report it?

CC: No

Gunny: Well look I don’t like you but fair is fair, so if you can find your stuff before inspection ends then I’ll consider giving you a grade on inspection now get out of my face before I make you push for it.

[Cadet Cadet has now received permission to find her stolen items and starts looking for her missing cover, belt, boot bands, and guidebook. This takes her to look in the cafeteria where she sees a cadet gathering items.]

CC: Hey what are you doing here during formation?

*(The unknown person turns around to reveal cadet Suspicious and he is smiling evilly once again.)*

Suspicious: Oh it’s you and right when I was about to re-hide your things.

CC: So you hid my uniform items?

Suspicious: Yeah I hid them this morning when were distracted by the pickle guy and put them here, so what are you going to do now.

CC: And you just admitted this out loud so that somebody can just pass by and hear…

*(Cadet Suspicious gets a dumb look on their face and both look around for a certain instructor to show up but no one comes.)*

Suspicious: (Laughs) looks like you’re out of luck.

*(He quickly overpowers and ties up Cadet Cadet.)*

CC: Why are you doing this? What did I ever do to you?

[Suspicious now goes deep into his thoughts to find where his hatred began.]

Suspicious: It was in kindergarten when I first started to despise you I had always wanted to go to military school, but when the real, active duty marine came to visit our class he shook your hand first then mine even though I’m the better leader and ever since then I have despised you. Now you see what I’m doing now is all in the name of leadership me, the leader, getting rid of you the weak link.

*([Suddenly], a booming scream is heard as Gunny burst through the doors of the cafeteria.)*

Gunny: Don’t you talk about leadership like you know what it is. Leadership is not cutting off the weak link; it is making the weak link stronger.

Suspicious: (In a scared tone.) B-B-but sir.

Gunny: (Cuts him off. Very Serious) You are not a leader, you are just a punk the beats up tiny girls.

CC: Hey I’m not tiny.

Gunny: ( To CC) Shut the hole in your face. (To Suspicious) Just because we gave you rank doesn’t mean you are above the law. You still need to find the weakness in you, a true leader knows his weaknesses and corrects to them.

Suspicious: (Sad ☹) Yes, sir. I don’t think I deserve 1st Lieutenant. (Runs away crying)

[ As you may have expected Cadet Suspicious was suspended and demoted to Private and Cadet Cadet was promoted to 1st Lieutenant, and has become the company commander.]

(CC will march the company across stage.)

Gunny: You are going to do two- thousand pushups and then you are suspended.

( Cadet Suspicious begins pushups. While **COUNTING**.)

[ The End]