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GONDOLA LIFT

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INT. GONDOLA LIFT - DAY

Steve waves goodbye to his friends as he enters his two person lift with Colin.

STEVE

Boy its a beautiful day to go on a
scouting trip

Colin nods silently. The car starts moving up the mountain.

STEVE (CONT'D)

I hope that we get to camp over
night on the mountain tonight.

Steve points to an empty stop on the sash full of badges he's wearing outside his coat. Colin remains seated in silence. The gondola lift is continuing its slow climb up the mountain. Steve sits uncomfortably on his hands.

STEVE (CONT'D)

I'm sorry to continue bothering you
sir, but scout also never leaves
any beast, no matter how ugly,
alone with injury.

COLIN

That ugly comment seems
unnecessary.

STEVE

And I can tell you are injured
here.

Steve points to Colin's heart. Colin swipes away Steve's hand.

COLIN

I'm not spilling my love woes to
some 10 year old. And what was this
about?

Steve mimics Colin's hand motion.

COLIN (CONT'D)

Don't they teach any practical
skills in scouting anymore?

STEVE

Oh, these are practical skills. I'm in the Dramatic Movie School of scouting.

COLIN

The what?

STEVE

I hope to sell my life story as a dramatic movie and make my riches like that. See, our generation has so few prospects that scouting has turned into maximizing your chances at a get rich quick scheme working.

COLIN

So your hoping this will become a chapter in your book?

STEVE

Multiple chapters if I'm lucky.
"And then the old man started having chest pains"

Steve pulls out an air horn and blasts it.

Colin jumps and grabs the air horn.

COLIN

And THIS is what they're teaching??

STEVE

Well there's also the School of Hard Knocks - that's about getting adopted - and the School of Education - that's about becoming a teacher of someone who then becomes rich. Are you allergic to peanuts?

Steve starts throwing peanuts at Colin's mouth. Colin dodges the nuts.

COLIN

No... I'm... not... Are you just trying to kill me.

STEVE

(like he's reciting something)
Medical hardships are the most exciting.

COLIN

Look, kid. The world isn't about getting rich, quickly or slowly. Its about enjoying life and the little gifts along the way. By doing this scouting program, you missing out on life!

STEVE

Gee mister, I guess you really taught me something.

COLIN

I'm sorry to burst your scouting bubble kid, you seemed really into it.

Steve takes off his sash.

STEVE

Its ok, not everything in life is about scouting.

Steve starts emptying his bag.

COLIN

Look you don't have to give up everything.

Steve takes out tupperware, avon makeup, Herbalife shakes

COLIN (CONT'D)

Was this a cult?

Blackout