OCTOBER THE 23RD

FINAL DRAFT
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Inspired by Oppenheimer

We open the film by showing the entire view of the hostel corridor. Then we show a long shot of the corridor from the bathroom's POV. If possible insert a monkey shot/deer shot as well.

### 2 EXT. HOSTEL MAIN GATE - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

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We are now at the hostel main gate. EPSILON enters the gate with his cycle. He looks frustrated and angry. He parks his cycle. He goes to the vending machine to buy something (pan shot from vending machine room to stairs)

Then he walks to his room. He leans in to open the door but realises someone is already inside. He knocks urgently.

DELTA opens the door. Epsilon rushes inside.

## 3 INT. ROOM 3 - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

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We are inside a hostel room. It is very messy. A typical hostel room. Delta is eating some snacks and watching something on his laptop.

Epsilon throws his bag on the chair and then he jumps on his bed to lie down.

DELTA

What happened? Where were you?

**EPSILON** 

(while lying down)
Is Alpha in his room?

DELTA

He should be, I guess. What happened?

**EPSILON** 

I need to talk to him.

DELTA

About what?

**EPSILON** 

He's screwing with me again. This time with the...(frustrated) stupid lab report.

DELTA

(while watching)
I thought you both already finished
writing it.

So did I. Turns out, our great friend Alpha, slept on it and now he's asking me to finish it....

DELTA

Then finish it.

**EPSILON** 

In an hour! I can't do it in an hour.

DELTA

Then don't do it.

**EPSILON** 

But I need marks.

DELTA

Then do it. (Pause) Listen, I honestly don't know what you want me to do. (Epsilon tries to ask something) And before you ask, NO!

**EPSILON** 

I didn't even ask.

DELTA

I know what you're gonna ask.

**EPSILON** 

Then will you help me?

### 4 INT. ROOM 3 - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

DELTA

I already told you. My answer is NO.

**EPSILON** 

(sighs, offscreen)

Fine. So, where is Alpha?

### 5 EXT. HOSTEL WASHROOM - AT THE SAME TIME

We see APLHA inside the washroom. He's taking a piss. He's singing some song.

DELTA (O.S.)

I told you already.

EPSILON (O.S.)

Told me what?

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### 6 INT. ROOM 3 - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

DELTA

That he must be in his room. Didn't you listen?

**EPSILON** 

It must've... slipped. Sorry.

A serious conversation starts. Delta gets TRIGGERED.

DELTA

Sorry? That won't cut it. I saw you listen to me when I said that.

**EPSILON** 

When you said what?

DELTA

(shouts in frustration) Where Alpha is!

**EPSILON** 

Well, where is he then?

DELTA

Inside... his... goddamn room!!

INSERT CUT: Alpha opens his room and then his laptop.

**EPSILON** 

Sorry... I must've forgotten about it.

DELTA

(gives up)

You know what.. forget it.

**EPSILON** 

Forget that Alpha is in his room?

Delta gives him a death stare. Epsilon laughs.

**EPSILON** 

I was just messing with you. I'll go to his room and check.

INSERT CUT: ALPHA IS WRITING THE REPORT IN HIS LAPTOP USING CHATGPT!

Pause. Epsilon is thinking something.

**EPSILON** 

You know. I was thinking... maybe you could go to his room and see what he is doing and then... tell me?

At first Delta thinks it's a joke but they both stare at each other for a few seconds and Delta realises it is not a joke.

DELTA

Dude, seriously?

Epsilon takes a deep breath.

**EPSILON** 

Listen. You know Alpha, right?. You know how he acts, behaves... especially in front of me. If I ask him for help, I am a 100% sure he's gonna make a big dish out of it and feed it to everyone. And I know that you know that.

Delta gives up.

DELTA

I don't want to argue with you. I'll just go to his room.

**EPSILON** 

Thank you.

Delta walks towards the room door. He turns.

DELTA

But let me advise you on one thing... Stop caring so much about what Alpha, or for that matter, what others thinks of you.

**EPSILON** 

You're doing it again.

DELTA

(Surprised, chuckling)
Doing what?

**EPSILON** 

See. You're laughing. You think this is a joke.

DELTA

Come on, man.

**EPSILON** 

Do you remember the day when you guys were --

## 7 INT. ROOM 1 - FLASHBACK 1

There are a lot of people in the room (around 5-6). Everyone is playing an ARM-WRESTLING tournament. Alpha is playing with BETA.

EPSILON (CONT'D)
-- playing ARM WRESTLING. And you idiots didn't call me.

Delta is lying upside down on one of the beds and watching the match. GAMMA is the commentator/referee of the match.

ALPHA

Why are you even playing?... I'll make sure you lose quickly though.

BETA

Thanks for the motivation.

GAMMA

Be careful guys, Alpha is in full form today.

DELTA

Bro must be spending too much time with Alia.

Everyone starts teasing Alpha in harmony.

GAMMA

(while showing batting action) Alpha Batting as usual.

Everyone laughs. Alpha blushes.

BETA

(teasing)

Alpha, how is Poppy doing? I hope you are taking good care of her.

ALPHA

Okay. That's enough. No jokes about Poppy. Please. Last time I told her I love Poppy. And you know what she did? (pause) Didn't talk to me for a week. A WEEK. We almost broke up. Poppy is very risky business.

GAMMA

(diffusing tension)

Alright guys! Let's start the match.

GAMMA out of nowhere spanks Delta's ass. Everyone starts laughing again. Delta screams a little and starts laughing. He is now sitting on the bed.

**GAMMA** 

(while laughing)
Okay! Now let's start the match.

For real.

(MORE)

GAMMA (CONT'D)

And now we are going to start the 1st semi-final match of this B-ROOMs ARM-Wrestling Tournament. On my right, the one who thinks he's great but actually sucks...Mr BETA and on my left, The GREATEST SNAKE we have ever seen, Mr ALPHA!. Are you both ready?

BOTH

YES.

**GAMMA** 

(holds the hands in position) 3..2..1...-

**EPSILON** 

Yo.. what's going on?

EPSILON enters the room.

Pin-drop SILENCE (everyone is a mannequin).

Epsilon reads the room.

EPSILON (CONT'D)

(nervously smiling)
You're playing Arm-Wrestling
without me? Why did nobody call me?

APLHA

(mockingly, laughing)

Because.... Your phone password is 1234?

Everyone laughs but the laughter slowly fades away. INSERT: POV shot of Epsilon looking at APLHA, eyes filled with rage but still calm and composed.

Epsilon smiles at everyone and nods and then leaves the room without saying anything.

Everyone turns to ALPHA. INSERT: POV shot of everyone looking at ALPHA.

DELTA

(to Alpha)

What are you looking at? Go. Stop him.

ALPHA

He would've already reached his room.

DELTA

He is my roommate sir. He would only torture me, not you.

APLHA

Fine.

Alpha goes out of the room.

### 8 EXT. HOSTEL CORRIDOR - CONTINUOUS

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Epsilon is walking towards his room. Alpha goes to him.

APLHA

Epsilon, wait.

Epsilon stops and turns. Camera is facing Epsilon (Alpha to Epsilon-colour)

APLHA (CONT'D)

I'm sorry... That was supposed to be a joke, but only when I said it out loud I realised it wasn't. You come and play.

**EPSILON** 

You like mocking me...no? You get off on it.

ALPHA

NO! I was joking... I already told you.

Camera slowly starts to move 180 degrees.

**EPSILON** 

And I have told you so many times not to joke like that. I feel bad.

Camera reaches 90 degrees.

ALPHA

(little harsher tone)
It is my habit. I can't help it.
Learn to adjust little.

Camera again rotating. But along with that, the colour is slowly changing to B&W.

**EPSILON** 

Yeah sure. I'll learn to adjust from Alia. I'm sure you would've taught her well right? (smiles)

Black & White

Camera is now completely rotated 180 degrees (Facing Alpha| Epsilon to Alpha) and the colour is completely B&W.

ALPHA

Stop it. Don't joke about her.

When you joke, it's alright. But when I do it, it's World War 2?

APLHA

You know, it was a good thing that you didn't play. Because if you did, you would've flooded my room with your baby tears.

Epsilon tries to hit Alpha but Alpha stops him. Both are struggling to hold each other.

APLHA (CONT'D)

(Laughing)
You're so (looks at his body)...weak. Just like your CG.

QUICK CUT TO:

### 9 EXT. HOSTEL CORRIDOR - CONTINUOUS (COLOUR)

We are back at the same position as SCENE 8 starting ( after "wait" dialogue). Now we are in colour.

ALPHA

I'm really sorry. I shouldn't have said that. Come and play. We are gonna restart anyways.

**EPSILON** 

(smiles)

Thanks but I'm tired. I'll take some rest.

ALPHA

Fine sure. But for real, change your phone password.

Epsilon smiles, embarrassed. Alpha walks to his room. Epsilon waits for Alpha to go inside the room.

#### 10 INT. ROOM 1 - FLASHBACK 1 - CONTINUOUS

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Everyone continues to play. Epsilon is standing outside. Nobody notices him. He looks at the other enjoying without him. We slowly zoom to his face.

EPSILON(O.S)

I still remember the way he talked to me. How he told me...

### 11 INT. ROOM 3 - PRESENT (B&W)

11

We are back at the present day room.

That I'm weak. That my Cg's not good enough. That I cry like a little baby. Well, I'm telling you right now, he totally deserved what happened to him on 23rd. I mean... what on earth was he even thinking that day. He always used to remind us not to use POPPY, but forgot to remind himself.

DELTA

Epsilon, this is all in your head. That's pretty rough, even for Alpha's standards. I'm pretty sure Alpha never told anything like that.

**EPSILON** 

Well you're wrong, because he did.

Pause... Start FUSION.

EPSILON (CONT'D)

Which now reminds me... (realises something) Where is Alpha?

DELTA

I'm just gonna ignore that you said that.

**EPSILON** 

(quickly nods)
Yup got it.

KNOCK. KNOCK. Someone loudly knocks the door. Delta opens the door. There is another boy standing outside. He is OMEGA, DELTA's friend.

DELTA

OMEGA. What are you doing here?

**EPSILON** 

I'm sorry, who's that?

Delta opens the door and Omega enters in. Just when Omega enters inside, Alpha exits his room (show in one shot).

Alpha locks his room and then wears his slippers and slowly walks towards the bathroom.

We cut back inside the room.

DELTA

This is my school friend. He doesn't live in this hostel. He has just come to visit for fun.

Epsilon feels confused. "He thinks suddenly why would this guy come here? That too on 23rd October."

OMEGA

Yes. I always wanted to see your hostel. I was telling him from the last month, I'll come to your college on October 23rd. And finally, here I am.

Silence. Delta realises something. Epsilon as well.

DELTA

Oh my god.

He checks his phone. Yes. The date is October the 23rd.

**OMEGA** 

What is going on? Is it something I said?

INSERT CUT: ALPHA is peeing again in the bathroom, while humming the same song as before. (Colour)

DELTA

(ignoring Omega)
We HAVE to find Alpha. What's the time?

**EPSILON** 

(checks his watch) 3:55.

INSERT CUT: Alpha is washing his hands in the bathroom, still humming (colour).

OMEGA

Who is this Alpha?

DELTA

Put a message in the group. I'll go to Alpha's room and check.

**EPSILON** 

I'm pretty sure he's here. There's still 5 minutes.

DELTA

Just put the message in the group. I'll call BETA.

Delta takes his phone out to call Beta, while rushing out of the room. Omega and Epsilon are in the room. There is an awkward silence.

OMEGA

Hello.

Why don't you go with him?

**OMEGA** 

(Immediately) Yes I should.

Omega turns to go out.

**EPSILON** 

Wait.

Omega stops.

**EPSILON** 

When you see Alpha, tell him to take care of POPPY.

**OMEGA** 

(in a hurry) Hmm...Okay?

Omega immediately walks out the room.

CUT TO:

#### 12 INT. WASHROOM - AT THE SAME TIME (COLOUR)

Alpha finishes washing his face. He suddenly stops. His mind is blank. He has lost his memory. He doesn't know where he is. He looks around. The tap water is still running. He looks outside the bathroom and sees 2 boys (Delta and Omega)

#### EXT. HOSTEL CORRIDOR - AT THE SAME TIME 13

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Delta and Omega are walking towards Alpha's room. Delta is on the phone with Beta.

**OMEGA** 

Can you tell me what is going on?

Delta signals Omega to wait.

DELTA

(on the phone)

Come fast. I'm walking towards his room.

They reach Alpha's room and see that it's locked.

DELTA (CONT'D)

Shit. It's locked. Where else could he be? (pause) I don't know. How could nobody remember. Did he put the message in the group yet? (pause) That idiot. (MORE)

DELTA (CONT'D)

You put the message. I'll search for Alpha here.

Delta puts the phone inside his pocket.

OMEGA

Please tell me what's going on.

Alpha opens the bathroom door and walks out. Delta sees him.

**DELTA** 

Found him. There he is. Come with me.

They both walk quickly towards Alpha.

APLHA

Excuse me? Can you help me?

DELTA

Looks like the disease has struck him.

OMEGA

What disease?

DELTA

I'll explain later. (To Alpha) Wait there, I'm coming.

**OMEGA** 

Is it related to POPPY?

Delta immediately stops. Omega stops after him. They are standing outside Delta's room [ROOM 3].

DELTA

(angrily)

Who told you that?

OMEGA

Uh... I'm sorry.. Is it --

DELTA

I asked you something.

Alpha is walking towards them.

OMEGA

Your roommate. He told me to talk about Poppy when I meet Alpha.

DELTA

Did he now? (Leans in closer and whispers) Now, listen to me carefully. Don't use that word... EVER again. Be it here, or somewhere else.

**OMEGA** 

Then why did your roommate...

DELTA

Well (looks at his room door) let's find out.

Delta smashes open the door and then half closes it, leaving Omega outside the room (supposed to be funny).

### 14 INT. ROOM 3 - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

14

Epsilon is doing something in his laptop. Writing his report.

DELTA

What the hell were you thinking?

Epsilon turns.

**EPSILON** 

(playing dumb)

What was I thinking?

DELTA

Don't. Just don't.

**EPSILON** 

Don't what?

DELTA

Stop playing dumb. YOU know exactly what I'm talking about.

**EPSILON** 

Where is Alpha?

DELTA

(whispers)
POPPY.

**EPSILON** 

(ignoring)

I think I heard Alpha outside.

Epsilon stands up and tries to exit the room but Delta stops him.

INSERT CUT (colour): Alpha reaches Delta's room. He is now standing near Omega.

ALPHA

What is this place?

OMEGA

(confused)

Just... wait here.

BACK inside the room.

DELTA

Omega told me.

**EPSILON** 

Told you what?

DELTA

To speak about Poppy in front of Alpha.

**EPSILON** 

That is a serious accusation.

Delta sighs loudly.

DELTA

What is it with you and Alpha? Why can't you just get along?!

QUICK CUT TO:

### 15 EXT. HOSTEL CORRIDOR - AT THE SAME TIME

ALPHA

(impatient)

I'm asking you again, what is this place. Why am I here? Who are you?

Omega doesn't know what to do. He knocks the door.

QUICK CUT TO:

### 16 INT. ROOM 3 - CONTINUOUS (B&W)

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We hear the knock inside the room.

OMEGA (O.S)

Can you please come out?

**EPSILON** 

Alpha needs our help.

DELTA

(pressing his finger against
 Epsilon's chest)

You stay here.

Delta turns to leave the room.

**EPSILON** 

I hate him because he's an asshole.

Delta stops.

EPSILON (CONT'D)

He doesn't know how to behave in public. He speaks whatever comes to his mind without thinking of the consequences its gonna have.

DELTA

That doesn't give you the right to use POPPY.

EPSILON

Did you forget already? I told you right, remember? How he humiliated me that day when you were Arm-Wrestling.

INSERT CUT: Epsilon staring in humiliation in ROOM 1 in flashback (B&W)

DELTA

Then he apologised to you.

**EPSILON** 

No. NO. He shut me down. And that's just one of many incidents. And then came October 23rd.

Omega knocks again.

OMEGA (O.S)

He's getting angry now.

DELTA

(to Omega)

Hold on a few minutes.

**EPSILON** 

(Slowly increasing loudness)
That was one of the best days of my
life. Alpha should've seen that
coming from miles away. It was
bound to happen. (Insert shot of
Omega and Alpha listening outside)
But no, he chose to stay arrogant.
He chose himself over others. And
that cost him. And now when he's
facing the consequences, who are we
to help him?

DELTA

No... I still don't believe that Alpha screwed up. It just doesn't make any sense. Why would someone, who is so happy and having the time of his life, would end up doing something so stupid that caused the disaster which is October 23rd.

(laughs)

I told you, he had it coming. It's his fault.

There's a small pause. (Insert cut of Alpha and Omega)

DELTA

(realising)

It was YOU!

**EPSILON** 

(goes villain mode)

I had to.

INSERT CUT: OMEGA mouthing "Holy Shit" outside the room.

EPSILON (CONT'D)

I told you. Remember... The day you were Arm-Wrestling. He hum--

DELTA

Humiliated you. So you took revenge.

**EPSILON** 

I couldn't see any other way. I waited months for the perfect opportunity.

CUT TO:

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### 17 INT. ROOM 3 - FLASHBACK (B&W)

Epsilon is in his room. He is looking at his phone (Whatsapp).

EPSILON (O.S)

Then came October 23rd.

We look at the phone screen. We see a Whatsapp Group. Alpha sends a message: "Guys, October 23rd is my next match "."

EPSILON (CONT'D) (O.S)

The timing couldn't have been any better.

CUT TO:

### 18 INT. ROOM 3 - PRESENT (B&W)

DELTA

And you took your chance. Completely broke our friend. I get it now. You didn't like the fact that we treated him like a...KING.

(snaps back quickly)
He couldn't be a king even if his
goddamn life depended on it. I gave
him exactly what he deserved.

DELTA

So that's it. This is what makes you happy now. Stealing joy from others because you don't have any yourself. Why are you telling me all this? I can get you expelled. It's disgusting to hear.

Epsilon comes closer to Delta.

**EPSILON** 

You can't prove shit. I made sure of that. As for why I'm telling you all this... Because it **feels good**. Finally talking to someone about this. This is just how the game is played. I finally feel like a king. I WIN.

Goes back again and maintains a distance. Pause.

**EPSILON** 

You know, if I ever had the chance to relive October 23rd, I would've took **her** WITH me. He anyways never liked her. I did what was right.

DELTA

You're so delusional. Well, I hope it was worth it because you definitely didn't win.

Epsilon is confused.

The door opens.

Alpha enters. Everything is in COLOUR now. Omega enters the room as well.

ALPHA

I got my memory back.

DELTA

It worked. But just to check, let me say it. (pause) POPPY is a piece of shit?

Nothing happens. Delta sighs of relief.

ALPHA

So my disease... it's gone?

DELTA

Yes. We did it.

**EPSILON** 

(confused)

What the hell is going on?

DELTA

AN Exposition... Your Exposition. We knew you were the reason for 23rd October.

#### 19 INT. ROOM 2 - FLASHBACK

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We are inside another Hostel room. Beta, Gamma, Delta are in deep discussion. Epsilon and Alpha are not in the room.

DELTA (V.O.)

(narrating)

We wanted to help Alpha overcome his depression phase.

### 20 INT. ROOM 1 - FLASHBACK MONTAGE

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DELTA (V.O.)

23rd October completely broke him.

We see Alpha sleeping on his bed, depressed.

DELTA (V.O.) (CONT'D)

He stopped eating.

Cut. Beta is eating food, he offers the food to Alpha but he refuses.

DELTA (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Stopped studying.

Cut. We see some exam papers with (1/20) written in RED on it.

DELTA (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Stopped talking to us.

Cut. We are inside Alpha's room. Beta and Gamma are talking to each other, but Alpha is just sitting in his chair, not doing anything.

**GAMMA** 

So, what is this new bot-making competition?

BETA

Alpha would know about it.

They look at Alpha, but he is in his own world, depressed.

GAMMA

Alpha, you need to move on. Stop thinking about her. I mean, look at you. It's messing you up.

Alpha slowly looks at him. He stands up, walks towards him. He makes him stand up. He turns him around. He pushes him out of the room.

DELTA (V.O.)

And then we found out about his condition.

We are looking at a video of Alpha explaining his condition to himself through a video.

ALPHA

(recording)

I know.. This sounds crazy. But you are an Electrical Engineer studying at IIT Madras and these guys showing you this video are your friends. My suggestion would be to take a nap for 3 hours as the condition would wear off by then. Don't ask anything. Don't do anything. Just sleep.

The camera slowly zooms out of the computer screen [first it looks as if Recording is real, but only when we zoom out and see it is playing on a laptop, we realise it is a recording].

Alpha, along with Beta, Gamma, Delta are watching the video.

CUT TO:

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#### 21 INT. ROOM 2 - FLASHBACK CONTD

We are back in the room with Beta, Delta and Gamma.

**GAMMA** 

He's not well.

BETA

Yes we need to do something. If this continues, he might... he might kill himself.

DELTA

Epsilon.

**GAMMA** 

What about him?

DELTA

I don't know exactly what he did, but I definitely know that he is involved somehow with 23rd October.

DELTA (V.O.) (CONT'D)
Deep inside I knew--

CUT TO:

### 22 INT. ROOM 3 - PRESENT

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We are in Delta's room.

DELTA

-- that you were responsible for what happened to Alpha.

Pause.

DELTA (CONT'D)

It was almost as if all your problems... your miseries... had somehow swapped places with Alpha's happy life... --

CUT TO:

### 23 INT. ROOM 3 - FLASHBACK

23

DELTA (V.O.)
...So we tried to find proof.

Delta and Epsilon are in the room. Delta is watching something in his laptop. He is waiting for Epsilon to leave the room.

Epsilon feels his stomach. He takes the hand soap and goes to the washroom. He leaves his phone on his table.

Delta calls Beta.

DELTA (CONT'D)

(On the phone)

Come in, FAST.

Beta enters the room. Delta grabs Epsilon's phone, while Beta searches Epsilon's bag. There is a password on Epsilon's phone.

DELTA (CONT'D)

(showing phone to Beta)

Password.

BETA

It's Epsilon's phone. The password should be ---

CUT TO:

### 24 INT. ROOM 3 - PRESENT

24

ALPHA

I told you so many times to change your password.

Epsilon smiles in pain.

OMEGA

Wait. So what was the password?

Epsilon replies, embarrassed.

**EPSILON** 

1234.

CUT TO:

#### 25 INT. ROOM 3 - FLASHBACK CONTD

25

BETA

1234.

DELTA

(surprised but not really)

1234?

Delta puts 1234 and the phone unlocks. He goes to Whatsapp. He searches for "ALIA". He goes inside the chat. We don't show the chat to the audience. But Delta's reaction says it all.

DELTA (CONT'D)

We were right. Epsilon's a snake.

QUICK CUT TO:

### 26 EXT. HOSTEL CORRIDOR - FLASHBACK CONTINUOUS

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We see Epsilon returning back from the washroom.

CUT BACK TO:

### 27 INT. ROOM 3 - FLASHBACK CONTD

27

BETA

Epsilon's coming. Quick close the phone.

Delta closes the phone and puts it back where it belongs. Epsilon enters the room. He greets Beta, who is on his way out.

Hello, Beta.

BETA

(while walking outside the door)

Hey! Good to see. (waves goodbye)

Beta exits. Epsilon walks inside and sees Delta sitting in his chair in front of his laptop as before.

**EPSILON** 

(suspicious to Beta

encounter)

What was all that about?

DELTA

(as if nothing happened) Haven't the slightest of clue.

CUT TO:

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#### 28 INT. ROOM 2 - FLASHBACK CONTD

We are back in the room with Beta, Gamma and Delta (after the events of the previous scene with the phone password)

**GAMMA** 

What do we do now?

BETA

What's there to think about? We now have literal proof that Epsilon did what he did.

DELTA

Well it's not that simple.

BETA

What's not so simple about it?

DELTA

Yes, we have proof on his phone. But just showing that to Alpha won't fix his disease. Second thing, we have to rat out Epsilon on 23rd October this year, when the disease kicks in.

**GAMMA** 

That makes sense.

BETA

Wait. What was the first thing?

DELTA

Alpha has to hear Epsilon tell the truth by himself. Voluntarily.

BETA

And how do we plan to do that?

DELTA

You guys just make sure Alpha is in his room on 23rd. I'll take care of the rest.

CUT TO:

### 29 INT. ROOM 3 - PRESENT

29

DELTA

And it worked. Alpha is back.

**EPSILON** 

(gets closer to Delta, angry) So what now? You're gonna publicly humiliate me? Get me expelled.

ALPHA

No. You're gonna see a mental doctor and get your brain fixed.

Epsilon greets his defeat with a disappointed face.

OMEGA

Excuse me... Could anyone tell me what the hell happened on 23rd October?

QUICK CUT TO:

TITLE CARD

23RD OCTOBER

### 30 EXT. CORRIDOR - OCTOBER 23RD

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MAYBE TRY TO DO A ONER.

The sound is completely cut off.

Alpha is walking to his room holding a packet of chips. He is excited for his *date* and he is singing a song (but we cannot hear anything).

He sees that his room is open. He looks down and sees lot of footwear. He looks inside the room and sees all his friends (Beta, Gamma and Delta). When they see Alpha standing outside they start cheering (again, we cannot hear anything).

Alpha smiles but then asks them to leave as he needs to get ready for his date.

Everyone except Alpha leaves the room. Alpha locks the door. He then opens his cupboard and takes out some clothes. Someone else knocks on the door. Alpha opens the door.

We see Epsilon standing outside. Epsilon is asking for notes. Alpha remembers. He *politely* asks Epsilon to come inside and take a seat. Alpha grabs a book from his bag and gives it to Epsilon. Epsilon stands up to leave.

Alpha feels his stomach. He takes the hand soap and goes to the washroom. Epsilon is still inside the room. Alpha's phone is on the table.

Epsilon picks it up. He makes sure nobody is seeing him. He unlocks the phone, the password being 1234. He goes to Whatsapp. Goes to Alia's contact.

Starts typing. He is very hesitant, but that doesn't stop him from typing. We don't see what he's typing. He constantly looks at the door to check whether anyone is seeing him or not.

Now he is typing the last text.

#### TEXT

And Poppy, your f\*\*\*\*ing dog, is a piece of shit. I wish he never existed.

He looks at the door again but nobody is there. Epsilon taps his feet rapidly, mouthing "come on, come on", waiting for Alia to see the messages.

The blue ticks appear. Epsilon immediately deletes all the messages which he sent from the phone. This way Alpha would be clueless.

He closes Whatsapp and puts the phone back where it was before.

He takes the notes and walks out of the room and at the same time Alpha comes back from the Washroom. They both have a last look at each other. Epsilon smiles at him. He wishes him "All The Best" for his date. Alpha smiles back. Epsilon leaves.

Alpha locks his room. He then checks his phone. He sees a shocking notification on the Lock Screen of his phone. He is shocked for a second. He opens Whatsapp. He freezes. Unable to breathe. Unable to move. As if his soul has left his body. He falls down on his bed whilst dropping the phone on the other bed.

We see the Whatsapp screen.

ALIA'S MESSAGE
Fuck you, bitch. We're done. Don't
fucking call me again.

# PLAY SONG : For The Damaged Coda

We slowly zoom out Alpha's fallen body [Similar to Breaking Bad last shot]. Epsilon is looking at him from the window. He smiles and leaves. We continue to zoom out until we

CUT TO BLACK