

A SECRET MISSION ON BINGO NIGHT

INT. REC CENTER - AROUND 8:00 PM

There is light CHATTER among the middle-age and elderly guests.

Soon, the ANNOUNCER (mid-30s) starts speaking into the microphone.

ANNOUNCER

Hi everybody. Welcome to Bingo Night at the Wool Street Rec Center. We're going to get started in a few minutes so sit tight and wait for further announcements.

AGNES (late 70s, a secret agent grandma) and her friend ESTHER (early 80s) sit at a table near the middle of the room.

ESTHER

I'm so glad you could still make it to the bingo night with me. You've been awfully busy over the last week and a half. What have you been doing?

AGNES

(lying, but convincingly)

Oh, you know, just helping out with the grandkids and all. At least for tonight, there should be no more distractions.

AGNES's CELL PHONE rings.

AGNES

Or not.

BRIDGETTE (19 years old, AGNES's secret agent partner) is the one that's calling on the phone.

AGNES

Sorry, ESTHER, I have to take this. I'll be right back.

ESTHER

No worries. I'll save your seat for you.

Light FOOTSTEPS can be heard. The CHATTER of the crowd gets quieter.

AGNES answers the phone and a BEEP is heard.

AGNES

Hello?

BRIDGETTE

(urgently)

AGNES! AGNES! I'm on the rooftop of that auto parts building on Wool Street! Can you come over?

AGNES

What?

BRIDGETTE

Can you come over to that auto parts building on Wool Street?

AGNES

What for?

BRIDGETTE

Didn't you see my texts?

AGNES

No. It's hard to tell if I have any new texts on a flip phone.

BRIDGETTE

Ugh, why don't you just get a smartphone?

AGNES

(whispers)

I have to keep up my cover of a not-so-tech-savvy grandmother.

BRIDGETTE

(whispers)

Well, my grandma has a smartphone and it's not like I think that she's a secret agent- You know what? Never mind.

AGNES

(still whispering)

Is this about Operation: YB05, that evil plan we've been trying to stop?

BRIDGETTE

Yep. I did some digging online earlier and it sounds like they're planning to execute

it, like, three hours from now. Not next week like the agency thought.

AGNES

Oh dear.

BRIDGETTE

Yeah. So could you come over? I think this might be one of their secret bases and I'm not sure if-

(suddenly screaming)

WAAAH!!

AGNES

What?

BRIDGETTE

Oh my gosh, I think their reinforcements just showed up! Please, please get over here and help me!

AGNES

Don't worry, BRIDGETTE. I'm on my way-

ANNOUNCER

Hey everyone. Just to let you all know, the grand prize tonight will be a basket full of knitting supplies that one of our supporters has graciously put together. This also includes the book *The Ultimate Guide to All Things Knitting* by Frances Cole. You will need to have bingos on five separate cards in order to win this prize.

AGNES

... Actually, hold on for an extra minute, BRIDGETTE. I have to do something first.

BRIDGETTE

What?! NO! PLEASE! You gotta get over here right now! I can't fend off all these goons by myself!

AGNES

It won't take too long. I promise. Ok, goodbye.

BRIDGETTE

WAIT-

AGNES hangs up the phone and a BEEP is heard.

Quick FOOTSTEPS are heard. The CHATTER grows a bit louder again.

AGNES

I'm so sorry, ESTHER. I have to go. There's another family emergency so I have to watch the grandkids again.

ESTHER

Oh, that's all right.

AGNES

Could you do me a favor though? Would you mind calling me and telling me what the bingo numbers are? I might have time to come back later.

ESTHER

Of course, AGNES. I'll be here waiting.

AGNES

Thank you, ESTHER.

PLAYER ALERT: YOU PICK UP FIVE BINGO CARDS.

TEN MINUTES LATER:

EXT. ROOFTOP OF AUTO PARTS BUILDING - CONTINUOUS

AGNES

All right. Let's hope this zipline still works.

A ZIPLINE sound is heard followed by a LANDING sound.

BRIDGETTE

Oh, AGNES! You're here!

BAD GUY

Ha! You called an old lady to help you? How pathetic. What's she going to do? Spray us with perfume?

AGNES

Yes.

BAD GUY

WAIT, NO! I didn't mean it!

A SPRAYING sound is heard. It is soon followed by some THUDS.

AGNES

Come on, BRIDGETTE! Let's get inside!

FOOTSTEPS are heard. There is the sound of a DOOR opening and then closing.

INT. TOP FLOOR OF AUTO PARTS BUILDING

BRIDGETTE

Hey, that was really cool! What was that?

AGNES

A special perfume. It knocks people out for about an hour.

BRIDGETTE

Well that's perfect. That should give us enough time to snoop around their secret base. Thank goodness you arrived when you did. Any longer and I think I might have-

(pause)

Is that a bingo board?

AGNES

Uh, yes, it is.

BRIDGETTE

Oh my gosh, don't tell me you cut me off for a bingo game!

AGNES

I did. But I have a good reason for it.

BRIDGETTE

And what's that?

AGNES

The grand prize is a book about knitting.

BRIDGETTE

OH MY GO- Are you kidding?! You chose that over doing the mission?!

AGNES

Well, no, actually. This is part of the mission.

BRIDGETTE

Look, I know that the evil plot we're trying to stop involves yarn, but how useful will some random knitting book be?

AGNES

It's not "some random knitting book." This one is written by Frances Cole.

BRIDGETTE

Who's that?

AGNES

The lady who got kidnapped last week.

BRIDGETTE

Oh. Yeah. Right. I knew that. But how will getting one of her books do anything?

AGNES

Well, if they really are forcing her to knit using an explosive type of yarn they invented, then getting this book will help plenty. She has an experimental way of knitting that pretty much no one has ever

seen before. No one except people who have read that book.

BRIDGETTE

Well, then just buy it online or something. I'm sure there's an option for expedited shipping.

AGNES

No, you don't understand. That book is not available online or in stores.

BRIDGETTE

Why not?

AGNES

Because she hand-sewed the book together herself. She couldn't find a publisher to print her work so she made everything on her own.

BRIDGETTE

That's... insane actually.

AGNES

And she only gave these books out to her closest friends. I guess one of them didn't want it anymore.

BRIDGETTE

All right. So what you're telling me is... you need to win a bingo game while we're out on this mission in order to get that book, which will ultimately help us stop Operation: YB05?

AGNES

Exactly.

BRIDGETTE

Ok. Let's not waste any more time then. Let's go explore their secret base!

Two pairs of running FOOTSTEPS are heard. One of them soon stops.

ESTHER

(over AGNES's radio)

Hello? AGNES? They're going to start the bingo event now.

AGNES
(quietly)
Got it. Thanks, ESTHER.

Running FOOTSTEPS continue.