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Dirty Work  
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Ripsy  
Mr. Kim  
Frankie  
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Scout

# DIRTY



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01

Dirty Work

001

I picked up five different piles of dirt from people. After that, I dropped off each of the five different piles of dirt to other people.

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## DIRTY WORK

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Sometimes two other people would take care of a pile of dirt, sometimes one.

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Dirty Work

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2021      Craig's Vintage Dirt, Mt. Washington CA  
2021      Nas' Driveway Dirt, Burbank CA  
2021      God's Dirt, Miracle Mile CA

005



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Dirty Work

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006



006      2021      Kim's Cucumber and Pumpkin Dirt, La Cañada CA  
007      2021      Alex's Backyard Dirt, Newbury Park CA



007



I store a pile of dirt in a vacuum cleaner, when a pile of dirt is not taken care of by other people.

It was dirty work.

008



009



During a slow week, the five vacuum cleaners sat on the floor together.

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# PEOPLE

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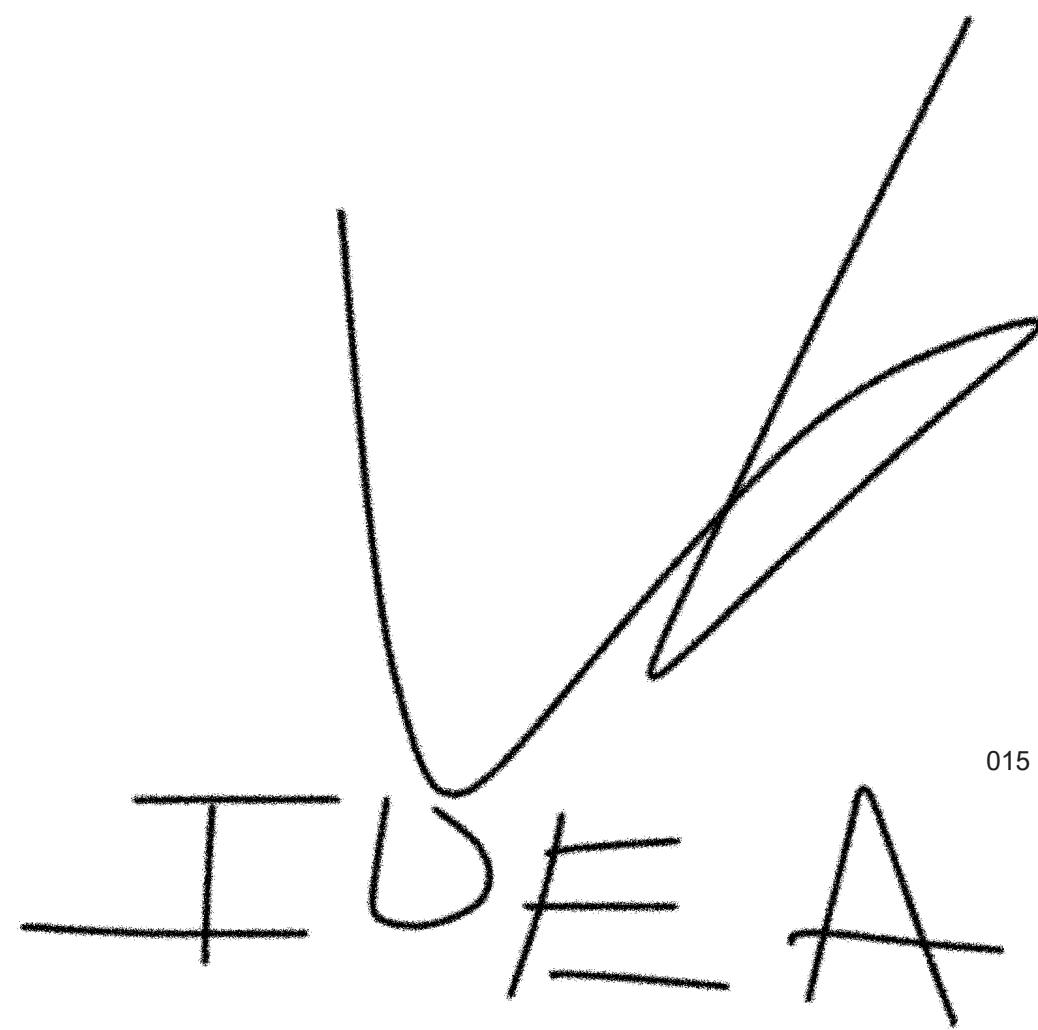
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Not pictured: Nas, God



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I had a lot of other ideas  
about what to do with all the  
dirt. I think of these other  
ideas as throwaway ideas.

A throwaway idea is an idea  
that is not titled, and is never  
attempted in real life.

# THROWAWAY IDEAS

Cut open five tennis balls. Hide a different pile of dirt in each of the five tennis balls.

Play a song titled *Dirty* on the leftmost part of a room using a speaker; at the same time, play a song titled *Work* on the rightmost part of a room using a speaker. Listen to the song *Dirty Work*.

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I did research.

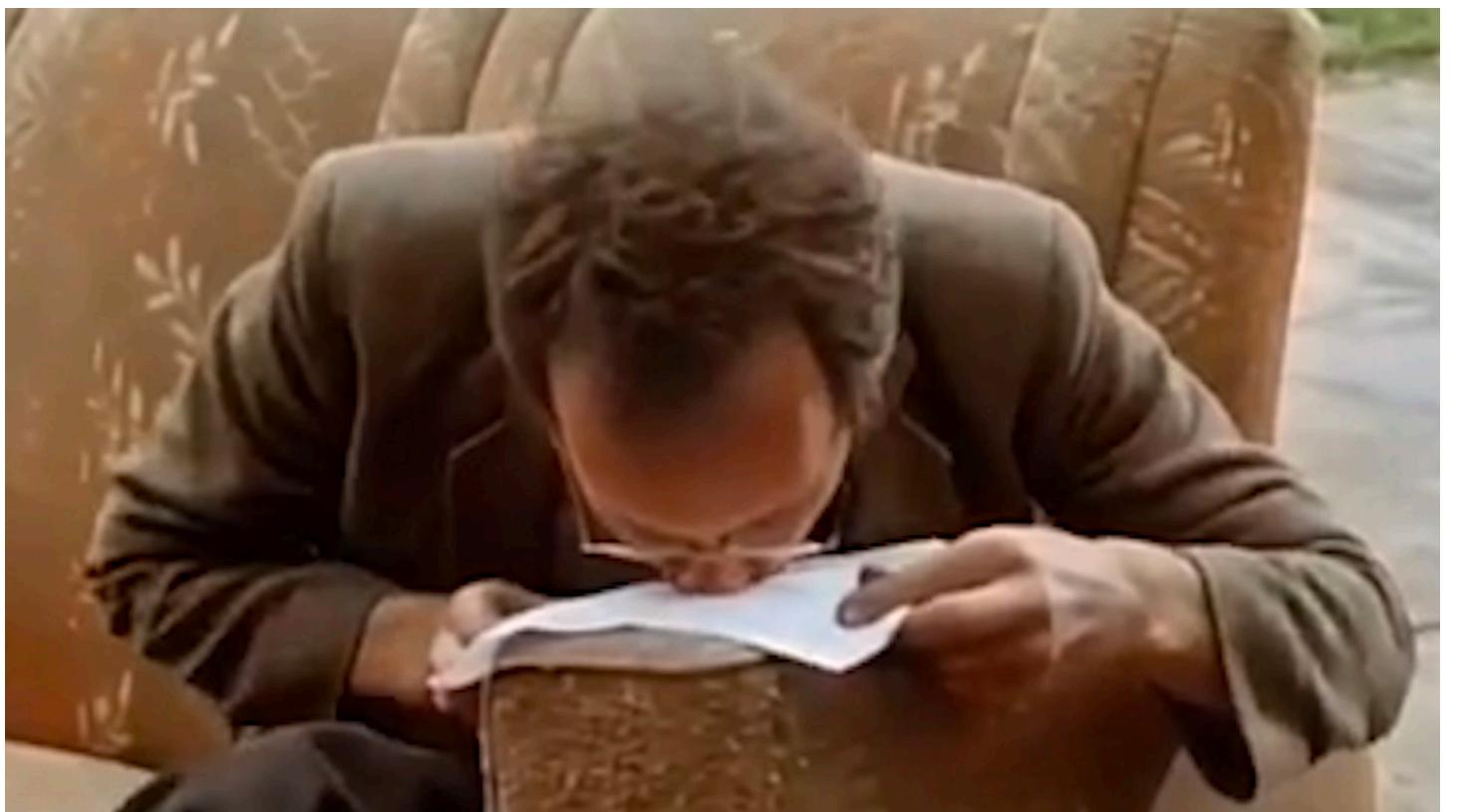


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Until you dig a  
hole and make  
it survive, you  
haven't done a  
thing. You are  
just talking.

# WORK

