

TIGER  
Stop looking him in the eye!

JOSH  
I don't know where else to look!

TIGER  
Look at me.

Josh turns towards Tiger. He's captivated until- BAM! Tiger  
knocks him out with one punch.

INT. JOSH'S HOUSE - BEDROOM - LATER

Josh wakes up, groggy. He makes out TWO BLURRY PEOPLE in  
front of him, mid-conversation.

WOLF  
It ain't him.

TIGER  
Yes it is. He's the one. He has to  
be.

WOLF  
It ain't.

Tiger looks at a CRUMPLED PHOTO of Future Man's Avatar.

WOLF (CONT'D)  
He's weak. Pathetic. He came on my  
leg.

TIGER  
Okay, I'll admit it was a little  
weird he came when he saw you, but-

She holds up the photo and compares it to Josh, who she then  
notices it coming to. Josh panics and tries to get up but  
realizes he's TIED TO HIS VIDEOGAME CHAIR with his PS5  
controllers. He is still naked, his dick covered by a napkin.

JOSH  
AHHHH!!! HELP!!!! SOMEBODY!!!

Wolf points a gun at Josh's head. Josh immediately stops  
yelling and starts CRYING.

JOSH (CONT'D)  
Oh no please don't do this. Don't  
kill me. What is happening? Why are  
you dressed like characters from my  
game?

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Wolf lowers his weapon, disgusted by Josh, and looks around the room. \*

TIGER  
Cuz we are from the game. Cybergeddon isn't what you think it is. It's a recruitment tool. A training manual. Now that you've reached the ranking of Savior, you're ready for what's coming. \*

JOSH  
That's exactly like The Last Starfighter.

TIGER  
I know. That's where we got the idea.

Josh THRASHES around in his chair but can't get loose. He sees Wolf holding his SNOWGLOBE. Wolf sniffs it, then SMASHES IT ON THE GROUND! \*

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JOSH  
That's my lucky snowglo- WHO THE FUCK ARE YOU PEOPLE?! \*

TIGER  
I'm Tiger. This is Wolf. \*

JOSH  
NO YOU'RE NOT! Who put you up to this? STU?!

TIGER  
Who is Stu? \*

JOSH  
Ach. Dr. Camillo!

Tiger stares at him, blankly. \*

JOSH (CONT'D)  
No?! Fine then! Was it my parents?! Is this like the Michael Douglas movie, The Game? Trying to get me out of my rut and experience life for the first time-

TIGER  
Stop guessing wrong and listen carefully. We are members of the Resistance, sent back from the year 2052-

JOSH  
 (not listening)  
 I haven't been sleeping. This is just what happens when you don't sleep. You start seeing characters from your videogames. I'm just hallucinating. Mom and Dad were right, I need to sleep.

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Josh leans his head back and closes his eyes. He's awoken by a SLAP TO HIS FACE!

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JOSH (CONT'D)  
 OW!

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TIGER  
 Did that feel like a hallucination to you?

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JOSH  
 No! It hurt! You slapped me in the same place you hit me.  
 (noticing)  
 Aww, my napkin fell off!  
 (sniffling)  
 Can one of you wipe my eyes please?

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Tiger takes pity on Josh and wipes his face before untying him. Josh scurries to put on some clothes.

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TIGER  
 This is happening. Whether you like it or not. Everything in the game is real. The race war with the Replicants, the virus, all of it. And you're the only one that can stop it from happening. We don't have much time, we have to go.

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Tiger leans in to grab Josh. He pulls back.

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JOSH  
 No! I'm not going anywhere with you! I don't trust you and I have work in the morning.

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TIGER  
 Your work doesn't fucking matter! Nothing matters but this.

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JOSH  
 What do you want me to do? Where are we even going?

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Tiger gets right in Josh's face.

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TIGER

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We're going to 69.

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This catches Josh off-guard.

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JOSH

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Beg your pardon. Did you say we're going to... 69?

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TIGER

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Yes.

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JOSH

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Like, right now?

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TIGER

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Yes.

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JOSH

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You and I are going to 69?

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TIGER

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For fuck's sakes, Yes!

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Josh is overcome with excitement. Then he see Wolf in the corner of his room, rummaging through his trash.

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JOSH

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What about him, what's his involvement? Is he just watching, or can we ask him to leave?

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TIGER

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No. We can't pull this off without him.

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JOSH

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By definition, we can't pull this off with him. It's a 69. Not a 696. Or a 969.

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TIGER

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What are you talking about?

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JOSH

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What are you talking about?

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TIGER

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We are going back in time to 1969 to save the world.

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JOSH

Ohhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh- I thought you meant... ach, I can't even say it. Damn it.

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Tiger pulls out a FANCY LOOKING iPHONE and holds it in front of Josh.

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JOSH (CONT'D)

What's that supposed to be?

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TIGER

A Theta-Borealis Transporter. It's a time travel device.

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JOSH

It looks exactly like an iPhone. Look, it even has an apple symbol on it.

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TIGER

Apple remains a leader in technological innovation, even in 2052.

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JOSH

I'm not an idiot, okay. Time travel doesn't exist. It's a beautiful idea, but it's a fantasy.

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Tiger motions to the TIME TRAVEL BOOKS on his shelf and the SCI-FI POSTERS on his wall.

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TIGER

Seems like you fantasize about it a lot. And I'm here to tell you it does exist. And this is your chance to see for yourself. Are you ready?

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Josh takes an inordinate amount of time to think about it.

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JOSH

No. I don't think I am.

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TIGER

(fed-up)  
Fuck this-

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**ENO**

TIGER GRABS JOSH'S WRIST AND LINKS ARMS WITH WOLF. She presses a button on the Transporter and FLASH!

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JOSH

Uhh, you realize what you're doing to him is incredibly inhumane, right?

TIGER

You got a better idea?

JOSH

Not really. I mean, he is basically like a wild animal. And the shocks seem to work so, seems like you're doing the right thing. I just feel for you. He's a lot to handle.

TIGER

We come from a time where food is scarce. He's fucking hungry, alright? He doesn't give a fuck about social graces. The only thing he understands is survival. War. It's all he's ever known. He's a killing machine. Does that make him hard to handle? Yeah. Is he a massive liability? Yes. But Wolf unleashed is the biggest asset I have in this war.

Tiger finally looks up at Josh.

TIGER (CONT'D)

~~I just don't want to because you, you're~~  
~~just a liability.~~ I thought you were the only one who could help us. But you can't fight! You can't assess threats! You have no tactical skills! You are NOTHING like the man I thought we were coming back for. NOTHING.

At that moment, a tall glass of APPLE JUICE with a bendy straw is placed in front of Josh.

~~JOSH~~

~~(to the waiter, sadly)~~  
~~Thank you.~~

Josh sees Tiger is deflated.

JOSH (CONT'D)

Would it help if I said I was sorry?

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TIGER

Would it make me any less fucked than I am now? No.

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JOSH

Well, regardless, I am sorry. I'm sorry I'm not who you wanted me to be. I'm not even who I want myself to be, okay? If there's anyone who understands how disappointing I am... you're looking at him.

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Tiger groans and puts her head in her hands.

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JOSH (CONT'D)

I'm a 29 year old boy who still lives with his parents in his childhood bedroom. I'm not respected - which is fair - because I'm not deserving of respect. I'm not respected at work. I'm certainly not respected on the streets. The only place anyone gives a shit about me is online. But... I'm not Future Man. I'm Josh Futturman.

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TIGER

Well Josh Futturman can't help me take down Dr. Cooper. So I guess we're just FUCKED then, aren't we?

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JOSH

(taken aback)  
Dr. Cooper? Like, from Devlin Dr. Cooper?

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TIGER

How do you know that?

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JOSH

I.. .work there.

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Tiger is completely blown away. She suddenly looks hopeful.

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TIGER

Of course. It all makes sense.

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JOSH

Not really. What does this have to do with Dr. Cooper?

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TIGER

It all started because of him.

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JOSH

But Dr. Cooper's a healer. He's... kind. He wouldn't create a virus that kills things, Devlin's motto is literally "Heal the sick".

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TIGER

Our mission isn't to stop the virus. It's to stop the cure... The cure for herpes.

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JOSH

(confused)  
The cure for herpes?

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TIGER

That same research leads to the cure for gonorrhea, chlamydia, syphilis, ebola, cancer, and eventually, a super-cure for all known diseases.

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JOSH

But.. what you're describing sounds really good.

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TIGER

Then the people injected with the cure changed. Their healing properties. Brain chemistry. They started seeing themselves as a superior race. They called themselves Replicants. And then on December 24, 2018 they released a virus knowing they'd be the only ones immune to it.

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JOSH

Ohhh, I get it. That actually sounds really bad.

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TIGER

Yeah. It's bad. But we're going to stop it from happening.

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JOSH

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TIGER

Tonight, Dr. Cooper has his first sexual experience and contracts herpes, which sets him on the lifelong path of seeking out a cure.

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TIGER (CONT'D)

But if he doesn't get herpes, he never discovers a cure and none of this happens.

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Josh is dumbstruck. He glances over at the TV playing footage of the MOON LANDING.

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TIGER (O.S.) (CONT'D)

Problem is, we don't know where to find him. The Resistance gathered as much intel as we could, but-

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JOSH

The moon landing party. At Berkeley... holy fucking shit. I know everything.

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Tiger grabs Josh by the face.

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TIGER

It is you. You're the one. I fucking knew it.

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This is the most beautiful woman Josh has ever had skin-to-skin contact with.

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JOSH

So did I. Like, deep down, I totally thought I could be the One.

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Josh feels like a sudden jolt of importance. Until...

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TIGER

Just to be clear, so you know the stakes here, if you fail... everyone you love dies.

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JOSH

Oh man.

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TIGER

Think of your parents. Dead. Gasping for air but finding none.

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JOSH

(emotional)  
Okay I'm thinking about that. And I'm getting sad.

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TIGER

Good. You're going to save them.

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