

T H O S E G U Y S

** G A R Y ! **



GARY BIDLEMAN is a sweet dope. About thirty, kind, and terribly, terribly simple. At the moment, he's peering into the window of a jewelry store at the ENGAGEMENT RINGS.

Because Gary is madly in love. So in love (and so dopey) that he doesn't notice that all hell is breaking loose behind him.



A HUGE HEIST is taking place. Sci-fi looking thugs in black supercars and helicopters are crashing through the street,

pursued by MILITARY VEHICLES. Gary is oblivious as he sadly checks his pocket – seven dollars and a Starbucks gift card. He sighs.



FROM THE SKY, a superhero descends on the hovering aircraft! This is DR. JACQUES, the gentleman superhero. In his typically arrogant way, he shouts, "Give up the refractor! This is your last warning!" The thugs scoff and snap into a defensive formation – all around Gary. He still notices nothing.

From the communicator on the lead thug's helmet, we hear a woman's voice. "Engage the cyborgs." Two enormous cyborg figures rise. We will come to know them later as BURL and CLORIS 5, but right now they're just impossibly imposing armored killers.



Dr. Jacques makes a clever quip and faces off with them. They raise their laser weapons...



Gary, *still not noticing shit*, sadly turns away from the display window and sulks off. Just as he does – BLAM! The window where he stood is SHATTERED. Burl and Cloris



5 return fire!

A BLAST of high-energy weaponry is fired right at Gary! But he innocently ducks as it flies over his head, leveling a truck.

Gary has bent down to pick up a shiny length of wire he spotted on the ground in the rubble. He examines it as he walks away. And as he does--- KABOOM! Dr. Jacques' ship is blasted out of the sky! It CRASHES to the ground in a smoldering heap. Bad guys win!



The lead thug holds up a small titanium case. "Got it," he says. The team of thugs zooms off in their extra-cool cars and mini-planes as Gary dopily heads down the road, thinking only of his love.



** LOVE QUEST **



Back at his job as a part-time aid at the *Awesome Sunshine Special Needs Academy*, Gary has a plan. With a little help from COOL BEANS, his favorite student, he lovingly twists the length of wire into a simple ring, adding strands of his hair and some colored thread. Like him, it's sweet and simple and goofy and lovely. He sets it in a nest of flower petals and butterfly wings and places it all in a little ring box. It's possibly the nicest gift ever made. He cannot wait to surprise his love with it.



In his humble little apartment, over a meal he has lovingly prepared, Gary drops to one knee before his girlfriend, CARMEL.

As Cool Beans pops out of a closet to play the autoharp and to capture the big moment on video, Gary presents the ring box. It does not go well. Carmel hates surprises. *Hates* them. And she hates home made things. And autoharps and butterflies. She likes *diamonds*, Gary, big shiny diamonds. And if he wants her, he'd better get her a big one. Carmel, we see, is awful.



That night, Gary makes a tough decision. He hugs Cool Beans goodbye, amid a silly amount of crying, and sets off on a Love Quest to earn enough money to get Carmel the diamond she deserves. Or the diamond she demands, anyway.

**** BARRETTE ****



BARRETTE GRIGSBY is also about thirty and, like Gary, is dumb as dirt. Unlike Gary, though, Barrette is shallow and spoiled and self-absorbed. And very rich. At her estate, she lounges by the pool with a bunch of spoiled hangers-on. She thinks they love her. They do not. When they say they're bored, she orders a thousand dollars worth of delivered sushi and cocktails. They decide to stay. This is Barrette's life every day



and she is quite happy with it. Or so she thinks.

A HELICOPTER lands on the lawn and a dashing middle-aged badass leaps out of the pilot's seat.



This is Barrette's father, BARRETT GRIGSBY and the estate is actually his. Barrette winces like a scolded kid as her dad storms up. But instead of berating her, as usual, he-- apologizes. WTF? Mr. Grigsby says he read a book on the chopper home and realizes that all of Barrette's many shortcomings are actually his fault. He hasn't been emotionally available for his daughter. But the book taught him about another way of expressing love, one he thinks he can manage. "It's called Tough Love," he says, "get out."

**** J.O.B.'s ****



The two lost dopes arrive, by happenstance, on the same bus stop bench. A conversation is struck up and Gary barfs up his story about the Love Quest. Barrette immediately decides to join Gary, since she, too, has lost something she loves - being rich. And she has a plan. They are going to make all the money they need by doing something they've never done – get high-paying jobs!

“You've probably never been good enough for the corporate world, Gary, and I've always been too good for it. But now... we will work!”

QUICK SHOTS as they are turned away from ESPN's office after asking how to become sportscasters, at an Air Force base inquiring about the space program, and at the World Bank after asking about jobs in the management-y type fields.

Defeated, they sit at the bus stop. A bus passes with an ad on the side: "Do you want to be part of the future?" Yes, they do! "Do you want to help create the next big thing?" Yes! "Do want high pay and travel to exotic locales without needing any previous experience?" That sounds perfect! There's a web site. Barrette goes to it. All it has is a physical address.

When they arrive, the office is full of other similarly ill-equipped applicants. And they learn there's a test. They both suck at tests. Barrette asks Gary to let her cheat. He refuses, of course. She cheats anyway. And Gary constantly raises his hand for clarification. By 'unmarried', do they mean never married, or that you've been married and now you're "un"? A knot has to be tied before it can be untied. Otherwise it's just a piece of rope. And by "Special Skills" do they mean something learned, like repairing a blender or flying an airplane, or do they mean natural gifts, like being able to make your tongue look like a clover? The very patient proctor says to answer to the best of their ability, so Gary enters "limber" as his special skill. They're both certain that they've failed. But...



The door to the room is screwed tight like a submarine hatch and the entire room detaches from the building and drives away. A hug of joy - they got jobs! Gary texts Carmel with the good news and says he knows she'll continue to be virtuous and to wait for him. She texts back, "Fuck You." He blushes. "She's sexting me..." Then his phone is confiscated.



** A PERFECT FIT **

Inside the transporter, the duo meets some of the other newbie. Cletus, a hillbilly; Clint, a mouth-breathing former pest control assistant who has inhaled way too much poison; and Kyra, who is very proud of the fact that she used to work in a mall. And there, of course, is Cool Beans! Gary is thrilled. Barrette less so. But, jobs are jobs...



A screen descends from the ceiling and they are shocked to see their new boss - DR. CECILIA TISSERAND, the world famous and reclusive founder of the world's largest company, Blind Data, the ultimate dating site. She's a mix of Elon Musk, Martha Stewart and Anna Wintour. The gang celebrates with awkward high-fives as Dr. Tisserand explains. Using the algorithms from Blind Data, she is

now able to match each individual in the world with not only their perfect mate, but with their **perfect job**. This, she assures them, is just the beginning. Soon the algorithm will match people with their perfect friends, family, pets, books – with their perfect life! And the people here have been individually selected for the specific skills and natural aptitudes they bring to bear on this great endeavor! More cheering! That sounds awesome!



Two jets, an airfoil and a diving space yacht later, they arrive at the facility. It's on an island in the middle of – well, they don't really know, actually. But they don't really care. This, Gary says, is gonna be *awesome*.



Cut to Crispin (who is the guy who we met directing the opening heist) as he opens the hatch. "Welcome!" he says and leads them out to a tropical paradise.

The new best friends are super excited. Then they are led into a concrete stairwell heading down and down and down...



**** BEIGE! ****



The island may be a tropical paradise, but the area where they will be working is more like a subterranean 50's school building or a very tidy chemical plant. Still - they love it! They're given tiny dorm rooms (Free room!) shown the commissary (Free food!) and given a BEIGE JUMPSUIT to wear at all times. (Free clothes!) Lastly they're given thick contracts and The Rules, which include no talking after ten, no leaving the compound for any reason, no questions, no hand towels in the toilets, and no contact at all with the outside world, all punishable by immediate termination. When Gary asks if that means 'fired', Crispin reiterates - it means 'terminated'. Now, Crispin says, they will each be given their perfect job.

That night, tucked away in their ludicrously tiny shared room, the new besties fantasize about their perfect jobs. Finance Officer? Pilot? Sportscaster!

Gary's job is to sit in front of a single gauge. If the needle goes to red, he's to pull the lever labeled "Core Meltdown". Clint is given a bucket of spackle and told to patch all the holes in the concrete block walls. He does not realize they are all bullet holes. Kyra is assigned to clean a very large saltwater aquarium full of sharks. Barrette, Cool Beans and a couple others are shown to the Laundry.



Barrette begrudgingly pairs socks as Cletus waxes eloquent about how people who don't eat squirrel are racist because they're just seeing the outside of the creature instead of it's sweet, delicious interior. Barrette decides she needs a lie down and wanders off to find a quiet room to hide in. Or die in.

In the hall, she opens the first door she sees - it's an unmarked elevator. She steps in and hits the only button.

** LEVEL TWO **

When the doors open again, Barrette is gazing into Level Two and Level Two is the balls. It's slick and brightly lit and full of super-amazing people and super-amazing gadgets. It's like the new Apple campus. And the employees are obviously color-coded. Handsome guys in BLUE JUMPSUITS talk nuclear physics and martial arts with Hot Nuclear Physicists, all in RED JUMPSUITS. Hard-bodied security officers in BLACK



JUMPSUITS sport assault weapons and knives. There's a salon, a Peet's Coffee (!) and a high-tech fitness room, complete with a weapons range and judo studio. What? The? Heck? A sushi bar?! This is the all the stuff Barrette had when she was rich and mooching off her father - and it calls to her.

Barrette grabs two fistfuls of nigiri, stuffs them in her mouth and moves toward a very handsome black-suited security gentleman. But a gentle siren goes off. “Beige Containment. Beige Containment” is broadcast across the areas. A security stud appears, grabs her, and talks to her like she’s five. “No Beiges allowed on Level 2! Barrette pleads, begging for a macchiato, but the Security Officer cocks his weapon and Barrette runs back to the elevator.



Back on Level One, Barrette is less pleased with her beige jumpsuit and her laundry job. And even less so when she's handed a hamper full of very interesting black leather groin guards. These obviously go under the black jumpsuits worn by the studs on Level Two. Woof. Now being a beige stuck on Level 1 seems wildly unfair. Then she spies another hamper - the one full of black jumpsuits. Security Badass Level 2 jumpsuits...



Across the facility, Gary is cheerfully watching his gauge when he hears knocking on the other side of an air lock. Gary goes over, never taking his eyes off the gauge, stretching, stretching... and pulls the big safety bar. WHAM! The door swings open hard and knocks him out.

A man in a tuxedo steps in – it’s Dr. Jacques! Obviously coming from some high-society function that his wealthy alter-ego was obligated to attend. And he is accompanied by an equally stunning woman, a fellow superhero called WILLOW.



As the superheroes run off, Willow notices Gary lying on the ground. She tells Dr. Jacques that they may have a friend on the inside. But Dr. Jacques has no friends. The superheroes run off to steal back the Uranium-Forged Carbon Refractor from their arch nemesis, the true super villain, Dr. Ceclia Tisserand. She is sure to employ its power in some terrible scheme.

Barrette arrives to find Gary on the floor. "Good news," she lies, "we got promotions!" Gary is thrilled. How? Barrette says she went in, made a few demands and put in a good word for Gary and boom! She shows him their new black jumpsuits, which are covered with specialized pockets and insignia and stuff. They are badass. Gary is sure this will come with a pay increase. The Love Quest is on!



**** PROMOTED ****



Yeah, bitches. They strut through Level 2 in their kick-ass black jumpsuits. The hot geniuses in red and blue jumpsuits smile at them, the macchiato's have the foamiest foam and the yellowtail is like butter. Gary is thrilled - the best day ever at the best job ever with the best friend ever!

Barrette awkwardly agrees, then turns her attention to a nuclear physicist with very big hands. Then, out of the crowd, the beautiful Willow, now in a red jumpsuit, recognizes Gary as her 'friend on the inside'. He has no idea who she is.



Brushing past, she whispers that this is not her usual uniform. Gary says it's not his usual uniform, either. He says he's just here to get a very special stone. Of course she, too, is here to get a very special stone. She winks at him and he winks back, and she is now completely convinced that he's a sophisticated spy instead of a naïve dope. She glides away, eyes on him. But their moment is interrupted by Cletus, Kyra and the others all now wearing black jumpsuits. Cletus saw what Barrette did and came to find them - the laundry is really getting backed up. Her style suddenly cramped, Barrette convinces them all to go back to Level 1. But a KLAXON sounds and all hell breaks loose.

**** HAWK TEAM ****

Reds and Blues consult monitors and enter complex formulas into keypads. Security Studs brandish enormous weapons and snap into formations. Crispin arrives with the terrifying BURL and CLORIS 5, the cyborgs we saw in the opening! They are the heads of security. They call their elite Hawk Team into action.



Barrette and Gary look at their sleeves - yep, there's a hawk. In fact, they all have hawk logos on their shoulders. Uh-oh. They're all handed laser guns and blasters and knives and photon grenades and shoved into formation. Gary's amazed - this was quite a promotion.



As they hustle through corridors, video monitors at every turn show Dr. Tisserand promising to terminate whoever let the intruders inside. Gary realizes it might have been him as the Hawk Team rushes



toward the action. But first, a quick pee break at the urinals - it could be a long chase.

And it is. The chase goes through the facility then across the island and the sea. It is legitimately terrifying, with ray guns and flying cars going three hundred miles an hour and lots and lots of shooting.

The dopes are all, of course, terrible assailants. They can't use the weapons, they scream and weep, they hold the grenade and toss the pin and they nearly fall out of the flying machines. Consequently, the real Hawk Team members are plucked off by the escaping Willow and Dr. Jacques or flung to their deaths from the vehicles. So the gang is pressed into more and more service until Barrette is driving the damned hydroplane and Gary is firing a laser gun.



They absolutely suck at this. (Which could explain why the good guys always get away).



Unsurprisingly, Dr. Jacques gets away, crediting himself with the amazing escape, though he was greatly helped by the awesomness of Willow and the crappiness of the 'Hawk Team.' Burl and Cloris 5 grab the guys.

**** FIRED ****



Back at the facility, Burl and Cloris 5 lead the gang of faux Hawk Team members up to the heliport. Crispin knows that Dr. Tisserand does not tolerate surprises and says that these idiots must be quietly terminated. Gary asks, again, if by 'terminated' Crispin means 'fired.' Yes", he says, "firing will be involved." Black goggles are placed over their eyes.

Barrette is suspiciously quiet as Gary makes a big fuss about how they were promoted and about how they aced their tests! No, Crispin says, they weren't promoted and the tests they took were the lackey tests designed to see how stupid they are, a test on which one of you cheated! Gary is horrified. He looks at Barrette, who looks down sheepishly. They begin to argue, still failing to understand that they're about to be shot. Not even when Crispin says, "Ready...!" Nor when he says, "Aim...!" But just as he yells "Fire!" Willow lands on the heliport

**** TRUTH ****

She completely kicks ass and whisks Gary and Barrette away. The others are left on the heliport. When they take off their goggles and find Barrette and Gary gone and the thugs unconscious, they quietly head back to the laundry. The underwear must really be piling up by now.



Hidden away, Willow points a Truth Ray at Gary and Barrette and says, "Gotta be sure." Under the Beam of Honesty, Gary admits that he was the one who let the intruders into the facility and that, during the firefight, he missed on purpose because he didn't want to kill the pretty lady they were fighting. This *proves* Willow's (incorrect) suspicion that Gary's a spy and on her side.

Then Gary launches into a sweet, eloquent monologue about Barrette's friendship and his inability to stay mad at her, about his love for a certain special girl at home, but how he sees in Willow's eyes a beauty that makes him ache for her. In her line of work, this is not the kind of guy she meets. She suddenly finds Gary deeply, inexplicably attractive. She urges him to keep talking, ignoring Barrette's babbling confessions of her various disturbing fetishes and her feelings of worthlessness around her father.

Willow leads them off, saying they have to "take out the trash". This is cool superhero speak, but the guys are just glad to have jobs and figure trash duty is just as good as the laundry. They *still* have no idea that she's the intruder or that she's not on Tisserand's team. Until...

She confides that they're going to meet Dr. Jacques, who's coming back to steal the Uranium Forged Carbon Reactor to stop Tisserand from carrying out her plan. Wait. *Stop* Tisserand?

* * EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH * *

Now the two dumbasses finally realize that Willow is working with Dr. Jacques *against* Tisserand. Which means... this is their chance to get back in good graces with the boss! WHAM! Barrette cracks Willow on the head. Not knowing who did it, she whispers "It's up to you..." into Gary's ear and - without him realizing it - *slips something into his pocket* as she passes out. Gary feels bad, but you do what you must on a Love Quest.



Back on Level 2, Gary and Barrette drag Willow into the place like a trophy buck, announcing their capture of the intruder who stole the reactor thingy! As they hoped, Level 2 is impressed. They're absolutely not gonna get terminated now. In fact, they're gonna get extra macchiato's and sushi and people are gonna want to make out with them! And Crispin can suck it because they are keeping these black jumpsuits.

They saved the whole project! The whole company! Even Dr. Tisserand herself materializes, looking quite different, and gives, of course, a little speech.

"This is proof," she says, "of the power of their shared dream! A dream of a future where every person has the ideal job, the ideal partner and the ideal life - thanks to rigorous Blind Data Aptitude Analysis. It's time to stop putting people in the wrong situations, creating a world of frustration and inefficiency. Why should we continue, for instance, electing unqualified leaders when we can use analytics instead to choose the very best?" Like Dr. Tisserand, for example. "So," she screams, "let there be no more unfulfilled expectations, no frustration and failure and fighting... No Surprises!" Everyone cheers! It does sound awesome.



“Of course,” she continues, “before a new order can be created, the old one must be destroyed. So, let us now wipe out the horrid, chaotic global information grid and destroy the world's major capitals and their precious little secrets and antiquated weapons capabilities, and let the great Blind Data era of order and predictability begin!” Then she actually – and awkwardly - hugs Barrette and Gary. “Thanks to these heroes, we can bring the world new leadership! Someone who can make the tough decisions, like who rises to the top, who supports from the bottom, who gets crushed in the middle, who lives and who dies!” Level 2 erupts in cheers! Wait -- who lives and who dies? And what did she say about destroying some major capitals?



**** THOSE GUYS ****

Obviously, that's just some hip-hop slang. "Gonna deee-stroi some capitals" just means make money. Isn't there a picture of the Capital on, like, the fifty or something? That's all she means. "We gonna dee-stroi some cap-i-tahlz up in heah!" But Gary's not so sure. What about that dismantling of weapons capabilities stuff? What could that be slang for? It slowly dawns on them. Holy shit – Tisserand is the bad guy! She's a super villain. And all those dopes, those minions and lackeys who just mindlessly do the bad guy's bidding, enabling them to carry out their sinister plan? *We're those guys!*

And now, thanks to Gary and Barrette, the super heroes are captured and the super-villain is going to win...



**** THE DIAMOND ****



And if things aren't bad enough, Gary reaches into his pocket and finds the little box Willow slipped him when they captured him – the titanium case stolen in the opening. He opens it, revealing –the Uranium Forged Carbon Refractor, which is, of course, a colossal diamond. And the key to Dr. Tisserand's scheme. And they have it. They do the only thing they can think of – they excuse themselves to go pee, then run like hell.



They know they have to find Dr. Jacques to give him the reactor. But Gary is on a Love Quest for a diamond... Suddenly Gary has a realization - he really has to pee, since they mentioned it. And he takes a suspiciously long time in the stall...



They're back on the run, looking for Dr. Jacques when -- WHAM! He attacks, knocking them both out, as is his custom, to do the old steal-the-jumpsuits trick. But, as we will now learn, it's quite difficult to peel an unconscious grown person from a jumpsuit. It becomes an awkward Greco-Roman wrestling match as the barely-conscious Barrette has to be rolled over a few times, her head whacking on the floor. Gary's junk catches in the zipper and he shrieks so loudly he has to be judo-chopped a second time. Exhausted, Dr. Jacques finally peels Gary naked and takes off with both jumpsuits.

**** OUTTA HERE ****

When Gary and Barrette awaken, Gary's completely naked. Barrette's wearing a stolen armored bra and groin guard. It's a little awkward. But—they did it! They saved the world!

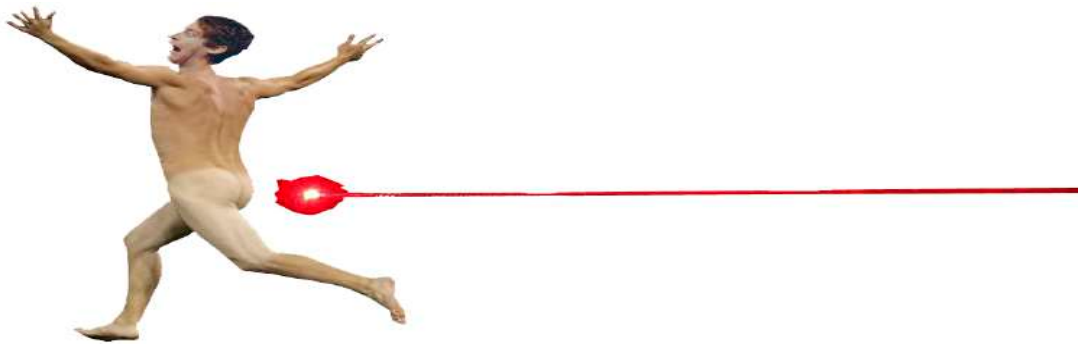


The diamond was in Gary's jumpsuit pocket so Dr. Jacques now has it! Good guys win! They should just snag some clothes, grab a Snapple and get out of here. They take off for the laundry. But!

On the ever-present CCTV, they see Crispin lead the two superheroes onto the main floor as captives, having caught Dr. Jacques trying to free Willow. The Crispin presents the titanium case to Dr. Tisserand. But when she opens the box and—it's empty. Terrified, Crispin barks some science-y stuff at a technician, who powers up some sort of tractor beam. A bright red laser shoots out of it.

As the naked duo watch, Gary insists that as long as Tisserand doesn't have the diamond, it's all good and they need to just get the hell out of here. Agreed.

So he and Barrette are streaking down a corridor when Gary's hips shoot forward and he spins around, being drawn backward by a bright red laser.



**** BUSTED ****

The diamond is in his butt. He was on a Love Quest! He figured as long as Tisserand didn't have it, the world would be saved and Carmel would have to love him if he got her the world's biggest diamond. Barrette finally says it – Carmel is a be-hotch. She and Gary do not belong together. Anyone who insists on expensive gifts in exchange for their loyalty is a crappy person, which she knows from her personal experience of being a crappy person.

This leads to a big fight about stupidity and tests and beige jumpsuits and Gary shouting that if he wasn't naked and being sucked away by a butt laser, he'd punch Barrette in the throat for calling his love a be-hotch! "You do not belong together!" she shouts. "And I do not belong here!" She confesses that she cheated off of Gary and likely would have ended up CEO or CFO or CBD or something if she hadn't. And suddenly Barrette has a startling realization - *Dr. Tisserand is right.*

**** BETRAYAL ****

This whole mess, Barrette says (as Gary keeps getting dragged away by the ass), is all because we're trying to do things and to be things we aren't. I cheated off of you on the test. I stole the jumpsuits. Carmel wants a diamond she doesn't deserve, you want a girl who isn't right for you and I hate myself because I can't live up to my dad's impossible expectations. But if Tisserand wins, they'll all have exactly what they need. She begs Gary to give up peacefully, to help make the world a better place by giving Dr. Tisserand the butt diamond, but Gary refuses. So Barrette pulls the connector pin on the fire hose Gary's clinging to. Gary and the hose and the diamond are sucked off down the hallway toward Dr. Tisserand.



**** C O U N T D O W N ****



Gary, sphincter clenched in protest, is drawn over tables and smashed against doorframes and hauled up a flight of stairs by his butt as Barrette sadly heads off, going home to wait for the pleasing new world order.

Gary is dragged onto the main floor to face his fate ass-first. Tisserand strides in. “So,” she says to Gary, “you’re a double agent!” “I’m not even a single agent,” replies Gary, “I’m just a guy on a Love Quest trying to get a big diamond for the loyal, loving girl of my dreams, my soul mate, who is waiting for me at home.” You found your soul mate? Really? Dr. Tisserand decides to make an example of Gary. She has a technician hack into the security camera of Carmel's workplace and shows everyone the activities in which Carmel has been lovingly and loyally engaged today with the UPS guy. And the Fed Ex guy.



“Surprise!” Dr. Tisserand yells. See how that felt? Lousy! But not as bad as this is going to feel. She nods and Burl ups the refractor tractor power and - SHTUP! The refractor is painfully harvested from his bottom. But, even as Gary is led to a rack where the unconscious superheroes are tied up, he says, “I love surprises.”

In the laundry, the gang sees Gary on the Dr. Tisserand screen. He shouts, “If you take away the possibility of anything bad happening, then you take away the possibility of anything amazing happening, too. Sure, sometimes they suck, but surprises are what make life exciting and sad and mysterious and stuff. Like, I never thought Carmel would cheat on me. Quite so much. In one day. But I also never thought I'd meet an amazing woman like Willow.”

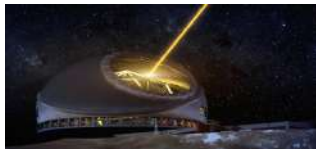
In the faces of the other minions we can see doubt creep in. Is Gary right?

In the laundry, the gang, especially Cool Beans, is moved to tears.

And at the exit, Barrette finds the superheroes' abandoned costumes just as she hears this through the PA: "Or that my best friend would leave me in the lair of a lunatic with a hunk of mineral up my bottom and I would still love her."

Back on the main floor of the lair, Gary continues, "So, if you're making a world without surprises, then you can just kill me now." Dr. Tisserand says she would be glad to.

*** * S U R P R I S E ! * ***



After Dr. Tisserand has the diamond thoroughly washed and installed in the machine, an energy beam is fired through it, creating an intensely destructive laser. As a little test of its power before it's fired at the world's satellites and missile silos, the beam will be fired at Gary and the Super Heroes. Gary is strapped in next to Willow. He tells her that he's sorry he got her captured and kept her from saving the world. The weapon is fired up and aimed at them. Gary thinks maybe Tisserand was right about him after all - he's a dolt. And in any case, Tisserand has won. Willow kisses Gary on the cheek and tells him that she thinks he's right about surprises. And that he *is* one – a wonderful one. She sees something very special in him.

"Special?!" Gary hears the word and remembers... his special skill! He's limber! And is he ever. Like, Cirque du Soleil limber. He folds up like an origami swan and slips from the ropes.



But as he's freeing Willow, Burl points a laser gun at him and squeezes the trigger. But just as he does - WHAM! A concrete block lands on Burl's head. Above, Barrette is there in Willow's costume! "Surprise!" She tosses Gary something – Dr. Jacques' tuxedo! It's all apologies and slap-hugs and pure joy as the duo is reunited and the shmucks who got their jumpsuits stolen are now dressed like proper heroes. "I think", Barrette says, "this is the perfect job for you."



Willow slaps Dr. Jacques awake and they go after the diamond in the machine while Barrette and Gary close in on Tisserand and her thugs.

Tisserand calls everyone to action, but Gary's speech has awakened the followers. "Surprise!" one shouts as she fires at Dr. Tisserand. All hell breaks loose as Blues and Reds turn on Tisserand and the Hawk Team. The countdown clock ticks and the battle rages. But the heavily armed Security Studs have the advantage. Until... The CIA/SHIELD guys arrive! As they always do at this point in the movie! And the lead agent is – Barrett Grigsby?!

Hard to say who's more surprised, Barrette or her dad. But when Barrette gives the CIA guys a quick debriefing as they move into position - her dad is so proud! Then they're into the fight. Of course, the tide turns toward the good guys and then back to the bad guys. The clock ticks. It seems hopeless until Gary realizes - his gauge! He fights his way to his gauge, grabs the Emergency Stop Lever and pulls. All machinery falls silent. "Sequence Aborted". Gary is the hero! Then... "Self-Destruct Sequence Engaged." Oh, shit!



Gary shouts to the remaining loyalists, "Do you guys see this? She's gonna blow everybody up! All of us. Even the Hawk Team!" The Hawk Team stops, glares at Tisserand. Gary shoves the Lever back in place. Back to Plan A!! The countdown continues, but now, with the Hawk Team on their side, Mr. Grigsby, the CIA, the beige gang, Gary, Barrette, Dr. Jacques, Willow – even Cool Beans - overwhelm Dr. Tisserand, proving that we are, all of us, capable of surprising things.



All of this allows Dr. Jacques just enough time to 'single-handedly' reach the diamond and pull it from the device at the last second. World saved! Again! He tosses the refractor to Willow. As usual, he thinks he did it all himself.

In an escape pod, Willow turns off the beeping rescue beacon and pulls back the sheets. Gary is there, still in the tux. She dives in. It is on.

So, the world is saved and free to go back to all of its surprises, bad fits, glorious imperfections and unpredictable chaos.

**** THE END ****

CODA: Weeks later, at CIA headquarters in Langley, VA. Gary is once again happily watching a gauge. He steals glances a photo next to the gauge – he and Willow’s wedding photo. On his finger is a wedding ring with an unusually large diamond – especially for a man. Barrette is in the laundry, this time folding uniforms that say "CIA" on them. Cool Beans is there, as is Cletus is and Kyra and the whole gang. Willow comes down from her office in Command Central to meet Gary for lunch. And then, chaos strikes.



Security has been breached! It’s an attack from a terrorist group intent on taking over the world. Willow, Dr. Jacques and Barrett Grigsby leap into action, as do Agents Gary and Barrette. And you know that army of non-descript no-name government drones who back up the super heroes and serve as canon fodder? Those guys are there, too.