

EPISODE 10: SHOWDOWN WITH A DRAGON!

EXT. PARKING GARAGE - EARLY MORNING

TITLE: PARKING GARAGE, MIGHTY TASTY CITY, LETZGO ISLAND

Kazomi and CD wander into a creepy parking garage.

KAZOMI  
CD?

CD  
Kazomi?

KAZOMI  
Did you also get a note that says  
"Free Secrets in the Parking  
Garage, 3 AM?"

CD  
Yeah, you must have gotten my  
second copy by mistake.

Noolian appears from the shadows.

NOOLIAN  
Psst! Hey. You two are Jordy  
Defective's best friends, right?

Kazomi and CD look at each other.

Yeah. KAZOMI Yeah. CD

NOOLIAN  
My name is Noolian. I'm Takia  
Chill's butler boy.

KAZOMI  
Then get lost!

CD  
We hate you!

NOOLIAN  
No, listen! The free secrets--are  
from me!

Kazomi and CD gasp.

NOOLIAN (CONT'D)

I had to warn you. I think--I'm almost positive that Takia can read minds.

KAZOMI

(skeptical)

Really?

NOOLIAN

Really. She's never lost once in five years. Pretty sure she does it outside of her box too.

KAZOMI

Why would you tell us?

NOOLIAN

I hate that she cheats and keeps getting away with it. Jordy seems like a cool kid, and there's just no way to win. You should convince him to stay away.

CD

I have an idea: Tell us her weakness!

NOOLIAN

It's nothing. She has no weakness. She knows everything you're going to do before you do it!

KAZOMI

Hold on. If she can read minds--aren't you scared to be here?

NOOLIAN

Ohh no. I didn't--think--

Takia Chill appears from the shadows.

TAKIA

(mean girl being nice)

Hi, Noolian. Thanks for doing everything I expected you to.

CD

Run Kazomi! Hide your brain!

Kazomi and CD run away.

NOOLIAN

Takia, why did you allow me to tell them?

TAKIA

I like scaring the simple people I have to go up against. It's fun. Besides, you were right: I have no weakness. Now--

Camera zooms in.

TAKIA (CONT'D)

(evil)  
Rub my back.

SHOW OPEN

INT. LOCKER ROOM - DAY

TITLE: SHOOGIES' STADIUM, MIGHTY TASTY CITY, LETZGO ISLAND

Jordy and CD stand, facing each other.

JORDY

Do I look cool?

CD

Yeah dude, you look fine. You feel ready?

JORDY

I guess.

CD

Takia Chill is definitely the toughest opponent you've ever gone up against, but I know you're gonna find a way. You always do.

JORDY

How many people do you think are gonna be watching?

CD

Probably a couple million, but don't think about them.

KAZOMI

You're gonna do great, Jordy.

Kazomi is standing there.

JORDY  
Kazomi! This is the boys' locker  
room!

KAZOMI  
You're not naked!

CD  
Yeah but what if we were!

KAZOMI  
I just came in to say thanks,  
Jordy. And even you, CD. I've had a  
really great time hanging out and  
being a part of this Box Peek  
adventure. It's meant a lot to me.

JORDY  
No problem.

CD  
(whispering)  
Jordy I was gonna say that too.  
That nice stuff.

An EVENT ORGANIZER peeks in.

EVENT ORGANIZER  
Jordy Defective, are you ready?

CD  
Hey, what if we were naked?

EVENT ORGANIZER  
--Why would you be naked?

INT. STADIUM - LATER

The Event Organizer leads Jordy to the field, passing by  
hundreds of cheering fans. A bearded man (The Bronze Fang)  
grabs Jordy's shoulder.

BRONZE FANG  
Hey! Jordy!

JORDY  
Do I know you?

The Bronze Fang smiles, revealing his actual bronze fang.

BRONZE FANG  
Just a lifelong fan. You're gonna  
do great out there.

JORDY

Thanks.

Jordy continues to the field. An ANNOUNCER waits in the middle of the field.

ANNOUNCER

AND, from The Great Island of Fair Boat, Jordy Defective!

INT. LIVING ROOM - SAME TIME

MRS. DEFECTIVE and MR. DEFECTIVE are silent and sad.

MRS. DEFECTIVE

Hey hon, did you hear they're showing Box Peek on ZoneZone?

MR. DEFECTIVE

I don't--no thank you.

MRS. DEFECTIVE

I'm gonna put it on.

She turns on the TV.

MRS. DEFECTIVE (CONT'D)

(disbelief)

Oh--Jordy. It's. That's Jordy.

MR. DEFECTIVE

What?

MRS. DEFECTIVE

Jordy's on TV!

MR. DEFECTIVE

(intensely proud)

Yeah! Get her Jordy! Box Peek her!

MRS. DEFECTIVE

That's my boy! That's my big boy!

INT. STADIUM - SAME TIME

PEEKREF 19 floats above Jordy and Takia, already in their boxes.

PEEKREF 19

The match will begin on my mark. 3,  
2, 1, go!

The crowd goes nuts.

INT. TAKIA'S BOX

Takia's DRAGON materializes over her shoulder.

DRAGON  
Hello Takia.

TAKIA  
Hello, Dragon. Did you have a good sleep?

DRAGON  
Of course. Who is our opponent?

TAKIA  
He's a little boy named Jordy Defective.

DRAGON  
Shall I?

TAKIA  
Yes.

The Dragon quivers.

DRAGON  
Takia--I sense nothing.

TAKIA  
Try again.

DRAGON  
I can't.

TAKIA  
Dragon, I order you to read his mind.

DRAGON  
I don't read minds. I read intent. I read will. And--Takia, I sense nothing. I'm sorry.

TAKIA  
Try harder!

DRAGON  
There is nothing!

TAKIA  
Why? How could that be?

PEEKREF 19 (O.S.)  
4!

EXT. STADIUM

Jordy is peeking at Takia's box. The boxes lift off. Takia is shaken.

PEEKREF 19  
Complete Peek! The winner is Jordy  
Defective!

The crowd cheers. CD cheers. Kazomi cheers. The Bronze Fang cheers. Mr. and Mrs. Defective cheer. All of Jordy's past opponents cheer. The Announcer gets back onto the field.

ANNOUNCER  
What a match, huh? What a match! My  
heart just about exploded! Let's  
hear it again for Jordy, huh?

The crowd cheers again.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)  
Now, we've got a special guest in  
the house who says she's got a big  
announcement for us. It's the CEC  
of the BPO, Denise Romanassello!

Denise waves as she approaches the field. The crowd cheers.

DENISE  
Hello, everyone! Hello! Wow. Wasn't  
that match everything Box Peek is  
about? Today, I'm thrilled to  
announce that the Box Peek  
Organization has come to an  
agreement with the government of  
Fair Boat Island. Because of his  
remarkable skill and relentless  
passion demonstrated here today, we  
will allow Jordy Defective to  
compete for Fair Boat Island in  
next year's Box Peek World  
Tournament!

The crowd cheers.

ANNOUNCER

Amazing. That's amazing. Jordy,  
what do you think about that?

He puts his microphone in front of Jordy's mouth.

JORDY

N. No thanks.

Complete silence.

JORDY (CONT'D)

I think Box Peek is lame. I don't  
want to do it anymore.

Kazomi stares forward, blankly. CD is destroyed.

JORDY (CONT'D)

I don't know. Sometimes people just  
stop liking a thing. I'm sorry. I  
kinda feel bad but I can't do  
anything about it.

DENISE

What is happening.

The Bronze Fang is shocked.

ANNOUNCER

Uh--

JORDY

If you all want to keep playing Box  
Peek that's cool. It's just not for  
me.

MRS. DEFECTIVE

Why are they letting him say all  
this?

JORDY

You can have this.

He removes his Boxporter and tosses it onto the floor.

JORDY (CONT'D)

Okay bye. Good match, Takia.

Takia stares hatefully. He walks away. The entire stadium  
still doesn't know what to say.

ANNOUNCER

Well--we can--will ya--



The stadium's massive TV screen goes black, then turns on again, revealing Victor in bone armor.

VICTOR

Pathetic citizens of Letzgo, this is King Victor of the Box Peek DISorganization. I have hacked into this feed to issue a challenge:

ANNOUNCER

Bonnie can you turn that off? Can you just--

The TV turns off.

ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Thanks Bonnie. Alright everyone should probably go home. Drive safely.

Kazomi continues to stare forward. CD cries a little. 4 strange arms envelop the Bronze Fang and drag him under.

INT. CUSTOM SHIRT STORE - THE NEXT DAY

TITLE: NICE! CUSTOM SHIRTS, MIGHTY TASTY CITY, LETZGO ISLAND

CD walks up to the counter, addresses the CLERK.

CD

Hi. I'd like to return this shirt.

He plops a shirt on the counter. The Clerk unfolds it.

CLERK

Sure--okay, no. This is a custom shirt.

He holds it up. The shirt says "Jordy is my best friend."

CLERK (CONT'D)

You can't return this.

CD

Please? Me and my mom lost our jobs.

CLERK

How old are you?

CD

Twelve.

CLERK

You don't need a job. Just play Box  
Peek or Laser Choppers or  
something.

CD

I'll sell it to you. 60 marbles.

CLERK

No. I don't know anyone named  
Jordy.

KAZOMI

Hi can I return this shirt?

Kazomi is standing there, holding a shirt that says "Jordy is  
my best friend."

CLERK

Is it a custom shirt?

KAZOMI

Yeah.

CLERK

No.

CD

Kazomi?

KAZOMI

What.

CD

Why would you make a Jordy is my  
best friend shirt? That's not even  
your thing.

KAZOMI

I thought it would be nice.

CD

I guess it doesn't matter now.  
Jordy's parents came and got him  
before I could even say bye.

KAZOMI

Yeah they seemed mad.

CD

What do you think he's doing right  
now?

KAZOMI

I kind of don't care?

CD

Samesies.

KAZOMI

Are you gonna keep playing Box Peek?

CD

I tried last night, but it didn't seem that fun anymore. Jordy kind of ruined it.

KAZOMI

Yeah. Friends are scary. They can get bored of you, or just stop liking you, or even disappear, and sometimes it's not even your fault. They're just other people.

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CD

Um, this is a big secret, but I was hired by the Box Peek Organization to find kids from Fair Boat Island and make them good at Box Peek. I made a lot of friends that I didn't care about. I mean I actually liked Jordy, he was alright, but I was kind of a jerk to those other kids.

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KAZOMI

It's okay, I have a weird secret too.

CD

Thanks. So are you gonna stay on this island?

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KAZOMI

Nah, I'm gonna go somewhere else. It's weird that I've been hanging out with a couple of 12 year olds.

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CD

Yeah. It was still a fun adventure though, right?

KAZOMI

Yeah. Bye.

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END CREDITS

TITLE: BOX PEEK

SUBTITLES APPEAR, VOICES ARE HEARD OVER THE PHONE

OBSERVER

I need to speak with The Law.

ROBOT VOICE

Password please.

OBSERVER

Margoccio.

ROBOT VOICE

Permission granted.

THE LAW

(emotionless)

What is your order of business?

OBSERVER

We have an urgent matter. Box Peek has run its course. Completely.

THE LAW

This is much earlier than we anticipated. What is the cause of expiration?

OBSERVER

A cool kid said he didn't like it anymore.

THE LAW

--Noted. Begin erasure of  
Distraction System 415: Box Peek.  
What is the status of System 416?

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OBSERVER

Laser Choppers will be prepared for global initiation in two to three days.

THE LAW

Engage Laser Choppers when ready.

OBSERVER

Very well. I have nothing further.

THE LAW

Observer--  
(sentimental)  
Save some boxes for us.

OBSERVER  
(this is rare)  
R-roger. May I ask what for?

THE LAW  
(back to emotionless)  
No. Goodbye.

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