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Synopsis 故事大綱 :

Different species - the Dwarfs, Jumbos, Magicians and Volcanoes - inhabit on the Planet Earth. The Earth is facing a waste problem, particularly because a lot of face masks were dumped during the epidemic. The species holds a summit to solve the problem but each side does not want to take the responsibility for the waste. They decide to take the rockets' approach and send the garbage into the universe. Unfortunately, the rocket breaks down suddenly and the summit's connection is interrupted. It turns out that the aliens have hacked into the summit...



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Scene 1

(Zoom log in soundtone rings. Different people gradually log in)

The Volcano leader: Hi everyone. Welcome to our monthly summit for solving our planets' waste problem. This time is my turn to hold the meeting as the chairperson. Time for roll call! Dwarf?

Dwarf yeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeees... I'm...I'm here.

The Volcano leader: Why are your words so jumpy?

Dwarf The Dwarf Family is digging a tunnel in a mountain today and we're having the Zoom meeting inside as we speak. The...The connection...connection...is bad! I'm...I'm...so...so sorry!

The Volcano leader: No worries. Next, is Jumbo here?

Jumbo Present.

The Volcano leader: Hey Jumbo, you haven't switched on your front camera!

Jumbo Hmmmmm...I thought I did...What's wrong?

Dwarf Is there something wrong with the connection?

The Volcano leader: Gosh! We already had a few Zoom Summits before and you still cannot manage to use it correctly!

Jumbo ...DONE! Hello everyone! What is on our agenda today? I totally forgot about it. (Giggles)

Volcanic Family leader: About our waste problem! Next, is Magician here?

Magician: Yes. Can we please finish the meeting in 40 minutes? I'm very, very, very sleepy...

The Volcano leader: We didn't pay for a Zoom upgrade so we can only have 40 minutes per meeting. Everyone please focus!

Magician: Ya, let's focus so we can try to finish it in 10 minutes.

Jumbo: No problem! I've got date with my Jumbo mates later at the gym for the intense workout. I have to be on time.(Sense of urgency in voice)

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- Dwarf: Our Waste management problem is serious and needs attention. We...We...We can't be that casual.
- The Volcano leader: Okay, let's cut it short. Our meeting today is simple: we need to fill our waste into rockets and send it into outer space.
- Magician: Let's act fast please. A lot of face masks have created a huge waste problem during the epidemic. Face masks are everywhere and we need to use our magical brooms to clean the streets.
- Jumbo: Awesome. Sending them to space is a convenient way to solve our problem.
- Dwarf: But we received a warning from the Universe Health Organisation. The warning letter...(Shows the letter) The space junk station is overloaded and the excessive trash has drifted into the orbits of different planets and they're stranded...stranded...They strongly warn us not to send our waste up to the space junk station, or else...or else...we're going to be fined and held responsible for that...Maybe we should reconsider our plan?
- Jumbo: Oh yes...maybe we should really reconsider it...
- Magician: So far we have received three warning letters and I'm afraid that the Universe Health Organisation may punish us...
- Jumbo: What should we do? ... Perhaps we should abort the mission.
- The Volcano leader: (impatient) We have already built a skyrocket. If we do not send the waste up, then how should we deal with it? Magician, are you going to cast a spell to get rid of it?
- Magician: My magic is not powerful enough. Even if I could really do that, there're only 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. We'd need to perform the spell for an entire month without rest. Just imagine the time and effort behind it! It'll be so tiring that I don't want to do it...
- Dwarf: Mag...Magician, can you think of other alternatives? (Signal cutting out)
- Magician: Sending our waste to space will become others' problems, but not ours. This is the best way! Probably even if we get punished, it is just about paying the fine. There shouldn't be a problem.
- Jumbo: If Magician said it's not a problem, then let's just send the waste to outer space!
- Dwarf: But...
- The Volcano leader: Hey Dwarf! You always object to our notions! Can you think of a better way? If we can solve this issue with money, then it shouldn't be a problem!



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Dwarf: There...there...there must be other ways...

The Volcano leader: (angry) If you oppose to our solution again, we will send all the waste into your cave! Then you can solve the problem on your own!

Dwarf: That...That's not good...

The Volcano leader: If you don't have any other suggestions, then let's follow the original plan. Send the rocket!

Jumbo: Sure!

Magician: Okay.

Dwarf: ...O...okay....

The Volcano leader: Rocket ready! In 5...4...3...2...

(The rocket shuts down and produces noises)

Magician/Dwarf/
Jumbo : What's wrong?/ What happened?/ What's that noise?

The Volcano leader: (anxious) The rocket broke down and it cannot be launched into space. The technicians are now working on it!

Magician: (unsatisfied) Excuse me, Volcanic Family leader, didn't you check everything before launching the rocket!

Jumbo: I still have to go to the gym. How much or how long will the meeting take?

The Volcano leader: It's not just about my responsibility! You all should care about it too!

Magician/Jumbo/
The Volcano leader: You're the leader!/It's not my fault!/I didn't participate in it!

Dwarf: Stop...stop...stop arguing...

(Zoom breaks down, everyone is shocked)

Magician: I can't see anything on the screen!

Jumbo: I can't hear you!

Dwarf: We're disconnected! Hello? Hello?

The Volcano leader: Hey! What happened?



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Scene 2

(Zoom meeting resumes. Everyone is confused.)

(Zoom soundtone in)

(Two aliens, Master Tam and Master Tak join the meeting)

Master Tam: Hi everyone! I'm a committee member of the Universe Health Organisation. I'm sorry to interrupt the meeting. Let's me introduce myself. I'm Master Tam.

Master Tak: Hello everyone, I'm Master Tak.

Master Tam: We've heard the news that you guys are planning to send your waste into space again. We, represent the Universe Health Organisation and, are here to stop this mission.

The Volcano leader: That means you're the ones responsible for causing the rocket to break down.

Master Tak: Yes. The space junk station is already full. It's so full that the trash is drifting to neighbouring planets. This has created trouble for everyone so we're not accepting any more trash.

Master Tam: However, you all ignored our warnings by sending the trash rocket upto the space junk station again, and again. The Universe Health Organisation has decided to punish you as a fine of ____ dollars.

Magician: Do we have to pay the fine? The Earth is good at paying money to solve its problems! How much is it?

Master Tak: Planet Earth is the most uncivilised planet. It has never cares about other planets, not to mention the entire universe. Your irresponsible ways has affcted our way of life, that's why we're going to...

Master Tam: Build a junk station on the Earth.

Magician/Jumbo/
The Volcano Family
leader/ Dwarf: WHAT?

Magician: The rubbish now in the space junk station is 1000 times more than ours on Earth!

Jumbo: Does it mean we have to live here on earth with the garbage,too?

(Distressed voice)