

GOOB & HERB



Episode 1 – The Health Kick

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INT. LIVING ROOM/KITCHEN. GOOB AND HERB'S FLAT - NIGHT

HERB, a rabbit in his early 20s, enters the flat, panting. He is wearing sporting gear and holding a water bottle. GOOB, a troll also in his early 20s, is slouched on the sofa. He is wearing a white vest and boxer shorts, and is surrounded by a sea of takeaway packaging. He is watching his favourite boxset, World Woof III, an army drama where every character is a dog.

HERB
You're still watching that?

Goob gurgles with glee as a new episode is starting.

WORLD WOOF III TITLES

EXT. BLUE SKY - DAY

A Spitfire flies through a clear, blue sky.

EXT. MUDDY FIELD - DAY

The field is adorned with crumbling ruins and brown puddles of water. Bombs are going off overhead. CAPTAIN CHIHUAHUA, wearing a World War II-style army uniform, thunders through the field with a Lee-Enfield rifle in his paws. PRIVATE POODLE is stumbling behind, also wearing a full army uniform and holding a rifle.

WORLD WOOF III ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
In a dog-eat-dog world, there are
very few who dare take on the
fight against evil.

INT. ARMY BARRACKS - DAY

The sparse room has rows of bunk beds with khaki bedsheets. BRIGADIER BEAGLE, wearing his brigadier's uniform, turns around and scowls at his inferior, LANCE CORPORAL BOXER, also in his army uniform.

WORLD WOOF III ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
They must be barking, but they're
also fearless.

EXT. BARKINGHAM PALACE COURTYARD - DAY

The courtyard, with limestone walls and a gravel floor, is draped with banners. There are dogs in formation and a marching band. LIEUTENANT LABRADOR salutes after being awarded a medal by QUEEN CORGI.

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WORLD WOOF III ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
Only one band of brothers are
able to defeat the world's
oppressive force -

EXT. WOODLAND - NIGHT

In a dense, rainy forest a flash of lightning strikes.
Standing in the dark in their combat gear and rifles are a
DOBERMAN, a HUSKY and a GERMAN SHEPHERD.

WORLD WOOF III ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
- The Hounds.

END OF TITLES

INT. LIVING ROOM/KITCHEN. GOOB AND HERB'S FLAT - NIGHT

The show continues playing in the background.

HERB
You've been watching that same
show for hours.

Goob loudly scoffs some crisps.

HERB (CONT'D)
Surely the season should've ended
by now.

Herb walks over to the kitchen area and puts his water
bottle down. He removes a pile of rubbish from the worktop
to make room, quickly sorting it into recycling,
non-recycling and food waste.

Goob puts down his crisps and picks up his kebab.

GOOB
(to his Kebab)
I shall call you Kerry.

He takes a big bite.

HERB
This place is filthy.

GOOB
(with his mouthful)
Don't die doggo!

HERB
Doggo?

Herb sighs. He then storms over to the TV and stands in
front of it. He steps in beans on the way. He look at his
paw, tuts, and wipes it on the carpet.

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GOOB
Hey, do you mind?

HERB
Yes, I do mind. This place is disgusting.

Goob pauses the TV with the remote.

GOOB
And I should care because?

HERB
Because you live here. And so do I. I hate this mess.

GOOB
Well, your room's a mess. It's got all that stuff on the floor.

HERB
That's my bed of hay. That's different.

GOOB
It's weird.

HERB
You sleep under a fake bridge!

GOOB
Look, just let me watch my programme.

HERB
Fine.

Herb storms over to the blender in the kitchen area. He chucks soya milk, strawberries, lemongrass and carrots into the blender. Goob resumes his TV programme.

Herb turns on the blender, which drowns out the sound of the TV. Goob frowns and pauses the TV again.

After a short blend, Herb removes the jug, pours his smoothie into a glass and takes one swig. Goob resumes the TV.

HERB
(muttering to himself)
Be prepared Goob, you don't know what's about to hit you.

Herb storms across the room to his bedroom. Goob turns up the TV's volume.

INT. LIVING ROOM/KITCHEN. GOOB AND HERB'S FLAT - NEXT DAY

Goob waddles out of his bedroom and rubs his eyes. He also frantically rubs his nose. Herb, standing in the middle of the room, is holding a DVD case with a cardboard sleeve. The room is spotless. Herb has been cleaning it all morning. Some snot comes out of Goob's nose and it squelches onto the carpet.

HERB
For fuck sake.

GOOB
Huh, what?

Goob looks around the room and walks over to the sofa. The takeaway boxes are nowhere to be seen. Goob's sofa dent has also been flattened out.

GOOB (CONT'D)
Where are the takeaway boxes?

HERB
In the bin, where they belong.

GOOB
But there was good pizza still left!

HERB
It was old pizza.

GOOB
It still had plenty of flavour.

HERB
It was mouldy.

GOOB
And what happened to my dent in the sofa?

Goob flops onto the sofa and wiggles to create a new dent.

HERB
Get up, Goob.

Goob looks around for the remote.

GOOB
Where's the remote?

HERB
It's where it should be. It's right next to the telly.

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GOOB

Oh for -

Goob reluctantly gets up and reaches over to the remote.
Herb then waves a DVD in Goob's face. Goob stops.

GOOB (CONT'D)

What's that? That's not my copy
of -

HERB

It is your copy of Sci-Fight.
Signed by Vincent Mel-Kez too.

GOOB

What're you doing with it?

HERB

I'm going to break it.

GOOB

What! Why?

HERB

Because you're a slob, Goob. And
something has to change.

GOOB

It does not!

HERB

Less TV.

GOOB

No.

HERB

More exercise.

GOOB

Please no.

HERB

And vegan meals.

Goob drops to his knees and puts his hands on his head.
Herb proceeds to take off the DVD's cardboard sleeve and
drops it on the floor.

GOOB

Noooooooooooo!

Goob is now panting.

HERB

It's for the best.

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GOOB
You can't make me.

Herb then opens the DVD case, takes out the disc and inspects it.

HERB
Who signs the disc and only the disc? What a weird actor.

GOOB
Leave Vincent alone!

Herb begins bending the disc.

GOOB (CONT'D)
Stop it!

HERB
Only if you comply.

GOOB
No.

Herb begins to bend it more. Goob's eyes widen in horror.

HERB
You can stop this.

GOOB
Fine, okay!

HERB
I'm sorry?

GOOB
I said okay! I'll do it. I'll go on a health kick. Just don't hurt the DVD.

Herb drops the DVD onto the floor. Goob scrambles over, puts the DVD back into its case and puts the cardboard sleeve over the case. Her cradles the case.

GOOB (CONT'D)
My little DVD.

HERB
Fantastic. We're going on a run. We leave in 10.