

GREEN EPISODE 1

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ANYTHING IN ITALIC IS SPOKEN IN HMONG.

FADE IN:

INT. CAR - DAY

A small beat up car that works just well enough to travel within city limits. It's moving.

In the driver seat a MAN. 28 with a bit of a nerdy scruff to his look. This is CORY.

Next to him a YOUNG WOMAN about 23. She hugs a backpack while she stares out the window with a concealed excitement. Her less trendy outfit matches her innocent face. This is HIA.

She watches the signs, trees, buildings, and people that go by as the car passes.

In the back seat sits up an OLDER WOMAN. Her look of a mother along with her silk twill scarf that solidifies this status. This is Cory's MA.

She sticks her head between them.

MA

Your parent's say that you went to school and know how to speak some English?

Hia turns her head to Ma and nods.

MA (CONT'D)

Very good!
(to Cory)
Since you no speak Hmong.

Cory looks at Ma.

CORY

Sit back please, and put your seatbelt on.

Ma goes back into her seat with a large smile.

MA

Your children are going to be so cute. I cannot wait to be called Grandma and your father, Grandpa.

Hia and Cory look at each other with a faithless grin.

EXT. MA AND PA'S HOUSE - LATER

A small house barely big enough to raise a family comfortably.

Cory pulls up to the driveway. The car stops. Ma, Hia and Cory get out.

Hia goes to the trunk as Ma and Cory head inside. They stop at the front door.

MA

Honey what are you doing?

HIA

I'm just getting my stuff!

MA

Honey you can leave it! I thought you guys talked it out. Remember, Cory doesn't live here.

Hia stops.

HIA

Ah yes you're right I am sorry!

She looks up at Cory who shakes his head.

INT. MA AND PA'S HOUSE - MOMENTS LATER

The three walk into the front door. They are greeted with the sound of a WWE Wrestling match and an OLDER MAN'S cheer.

The older man, with a college sweater on that reads UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA along with his pajama pants that look as if they were older than Cory. This is Cory's PA.

MA

Are you serious right now you old pig? Why is the house such a mess? I thought I told you to clean before I get back.

Pa stops and turns around with a annoyed squirm.

PA

I forgot! Will you stop nagging for once in your life.

He looks pass her and see's Hia with Cory.

PA (CONT'D)
You've finally arrived! How was the flight?

HIA
Long but it was good. Thank you for having me, Dad.

Ma claps with joy at the sound of "dad".

MA
Let's eat!

INT. DINING ROOM - EVENING

The four of them sit at a long rectangular dinner table. Ma and Pa drink their broths and eat their rice excitedly.

PA
So, Ma said that you speak English? I wished we knew sooner. And that's good because Cory speaks little Hmong.

Cory rolls his eyes.