



"LEEWAY"

FADE IN:

INT. COUNTRY COTTAGE - NIGHT

A lightning storm is raging outside. Conjoined twins, BOBBY and BILLY, stand at the window watching water pour down onto the front deck of their cottage.

Bobby and Billy are "parasitic twins" where Billy is primarily a head on the shoulder of Bobby.

BOBBY

It's cats and dogs out there...

Suddenly a lightning bolt crashes through the roof of the cottage. The bolt creates a gaping hole in the cottage.

BOBBY

Oh my God, Billy are you ok?

BILLY

I'm right here... I'm fine.

Bobby and Billy begin moving the furniture out of the way of the rain that is pouring in. They run to the closet and find a plastic tarp which they put down across the open space. They then run to the kitchen and grab pots to set up to catch the water as best as possible.

BILLY

Let's put on a raincoat.

BOBBY

Good idea.

They go to the closet again and grab a yellow raincoat and put in on in the unique manner that is required by their physique.

BOBBY

I think we better tell Grace.

BILLY

No, we can handle this Bobby. We are finally on our own. We need to prove that we can take care of ourselves.

BOBBY

I know, but Billy come on. This is serious. Anyone would leave and get help in these circumstances. Come on.

BILLY

NO! Trust me, we can handle this.

Bobby and Billy are standing in the rain looking up into the hole in the ceiling. Lightning is still striking in the sky above.

BOBBY

What if the lightning hits again? We need to go stay with Grace tonight. We can call someone to fix this tomorrow.

BILLY

What's wrong with you? Two heads are better than one. That's what we always say. So let's think this through before we run for help... like we always do.

Thunder claps and Bobby is getting scared.

BOBBY

Come on Billy, just agree that we can't fix this right now. We need a proper place to stay for the night. I mean, what if the lightning hits again?

BILLY

That's ridiculous... everyone knows that lightning never strikes the same spot twice.

Bobby looks worried. The twins begin pacing around the main floor. Suddenly, a board cracks from the roof and falls onto the floor below.

BOBBY

You see! It's dangerous Billy.  
Let's just go.

BILLY

And then it will just be another  
situation where we don't find  
out what we're capable of.

They move into the open space again and try to move the charred and splintered wood plank. Lightning flashes and Bobby squints his eyes in fear. Billy doesn't. Billy starts laughing while Bobby starts crying.

BILLY

Can you see yourself right now!?  
You look foolish. I already told  
you, that lightning never  
strikes the same place twice.

BOBBY

(weeping)

But maybe it's just God.

BILLY

Bobby, I already explained that  
to you... there is no God. People  
just make him up to feel safer.

BOBBY

You shouldn't say that. What if  
you're wrong. Can't we just go  
now?

BILLY

No Bobby. And of course I'm not  
wrong... there is no God..

In that instant, a lightning bolt strikes down on the twins who are standing in the open gap. When the bolt has run its course, Bobby pulls the hood of his raincoat off his head and takes deep breaths, catching cool water on his tongue. The skin on Bobby's face looks slightly charred in places and there is smoke coming

from his hair.

BOBBY

Billy, are you ok? Billy..

A short pan reveals that Billy is dead. Bobby seems bewildered.

FADE OUT

THE END