

THE LOUD HOUSE

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EXT/INT. LOUD'S RV - GREAT LAKES CITY - DAY

Dad drives the RV drives through congested city streets. Dad waves to the honking drivers.

1A DAD

Hello to you too! And they say
people in the city are rude.

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The KIDS look out the windows while MOM goes over the itinerary.

2 MOM

Okay kids, listen up. This is our
last stop on our summer road trip,
and we have a packed day! Lunch at
Goddess Greens, Great Lakes City
Tower and a concert series in the
park...

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3 LINCOLN

Sweet! When do we get to see the
Casagrandes? I can't wait to tell
Ronnie Anne all about our trip!

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Before Mom can say anything, they hear LORI talking on the phone, in a sing-song voice:

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5 LORI

Hey Booboo Bear! Guess where I am?!

Mom, panicked, runs over and grabs the phone from Lori.

6 MOM

(pretends to be Lori)
Literally Mount Rushmore!
(makes static sound)
Losing reception, babe! <STATIC>
Call you later!

She hangs up. Lori glares at Mom.

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7A LORI

Mom! What was that?!

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Mom and Dad look sheepish.

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8 MOM

<SHEEPISH GROAN> We would love to
visit the Casagrandes, but my last
travel piece for the Gazette is due
tonight and we have to hit all
these places. There's just no time
to stop by.

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9 **DAD**
<GAH> If we wanna get everything on
your Mom's list done, they can't
know we're here. We'll visit them
another time, okay kiddos?

Mom and Dad look at the kids expectantly.

10 **LUNA**
I guess so. Plus, I don't want to
miss that concert.

11 **LOLA**
And I want a glamour shot from the
top of the GLC tower, looking down
at all the little people!

11A **LORI**
I don't know you guys. I feel weird
about this.

Lori's phone rings. It's Bobby! Mom looks at her with
pleading eyes.

11B **LORI** (CONT'D)
Hey Booboo Bear!
(Lori looks at Mom)
Yeah, we're still at Mt. Rushmore.
Of course I'll think of you
everytime I look up Washington's
nose.

Lori hangs up the phone.

15 **MOM**
Thanks for understanding, *sweetie*.
Okay gang, first stop, Goddess
Greens! Hope everyone's hungry!

Lynn closes the fridge door. She's holding an empty
container.

15A **LYNN**
Yeah, just in time. You don't wanna
see me hangry.

Dad continues to drive through traffic as people honk at him
and shout.

15B **DRIVER (O.S.)**
Move that giant thing!

15C **DAD**
<CHEERFUL SIGH> I love this city!

INT. GODDESS GREENS RESTAURANT - DAY

The Louds are seated in a trendy restaurant amongst hip patrons. They browse the menu. Mom speaks into a RECORDER.

16 MOM

Whatever you're into, Great Lakes City has it all...that is, if you have time to do it all-

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17A DAD

(interrupting)

Hun. I'm not sure I'm cool enough for this place. There's nothing on this menu but emojis! What am I supposed to order? The smiley face or the thumbs up?

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He holds up his emoji filled menu. Mom stops the recorder.

18 MOM

I'm sure everything is fabulous, hun. Jesse said this was the trendiest restaurant in the city.

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19 LENI

Oh it totes is. It's Carlota's fave spot. She comes here all the time.

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20 DAD

What?! Why didn't you tell us?!

21 MOM

Lynn, it's fine. It's nearly impossible to get a reservation. What are the odds that Carlota got one at the same time as us?

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22 CARLOTA (O.S.)

Holaaaa! I have a noon rez under Casagrande. <BLOWS KISSES>

The family sees Carlota giving air kisses to the waiter.

23 LOUD FAMILY

<GASP!>

The family holds up their menus to hide their faces. Behind the menus Dad whispers:

24 DAD

We have to get out of here!

25 MOM
I didn't even try the food! I'll
have nothing to write about!

26 DAD
If Carlota sees us you'll be
writing about the end of your
friendship with the Casagrandes!

They duck under the table as Carlota passes by their table.
Leni leans out from the under the table.

26A LENI
Hi Carlo-

Lincoln, Lola, and Lori cover Leni's mouth to stop her from
speaking.

CUT TO: CARLOTA looking at the menu, oblivious, while in the
BG, DINERS <SHRIEK> and <GASP> as the Louds crawl under their
tables.

27 LOUD FAMILY
<PANICKED SNEAKY CRAWLING EFFORT>

28 TWO MALE DINERS
<YELP!>/<AHH!>

At one, Mom's hand reaches up to snatch a LETTUCE WRAP,
leaving crumpled bills.

28A MOM
Thank you.

The family scrambles out. Mom shoves the wrap in her mouth
and whispers into her recorder as they run out the door.

30 MOM (CONT'D)
(whispering)
For the best bite in the city, grab
a Warrior Wrap at Goddess Greens -
it's perfect on the go...

Mom accidentally takes a bite of the recorder.

31 MOM (CONT'D)
<BITE--> <HMPH> <TAKES BITE OF
WRAP>

Carlota looks up, but only sees the door close.

32 CARLOTA
Huh? <SHRUG>

EXT. GLC TOWER - OBSERVATION DECK - DAY

Tourists take in the sights. The Loud family looks out at the spectacular view of the city. Lola does a royal wave to the tiny people far below. Mom narrates.

33 MOM

No city visit is complete without stopping by the observation deck of Great Lakes City Tower...

34 LUNA/LORI/LOLA

Rad!/Wow. Literally so cool!/Worship me, little people!

35 DAD

Ah! Great view and I'm pretty sure we won't have to worry about any Casagrandes up--

36 SERGIO (O.S.)

<SQUAWK!> Hot pretzel! Twelve o'clock!

The Louds turn to see SERGIO and his PIGEON FRIENDS fly in, swarming a startled tourist holding a pretzel.

36A SERGIO (CONT'D)

Lunchtime boys!

37 TOURIST MAN AND WOMAN

<YELPING!> <FLAILING> <SCREAM!>

38 LINCOLN/DAD

Sergio!/Dang it!

Dad hides behind a cowboy hat wearing tourist.

The tourist man and woman run off, dropping their pretzel as Sergio and the birds start devouring it.

41A SERGIO

<CHEWING> <SQUAWK!> Needs mustard!

Carl rushes in, wearing a bird suit.

40 CARL

Aw man! You guys got a whole pretzel? All I nabbed was some peanuts.

He drops them on the ground and begins to peck at them.

Back on the shocked Louds:

42 LORI
<GASP!> Carl, too? They're right by
the elevator! How are we going to
get out of here?

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Lynn zones in on a WINDOW WASHER who is leaving his platform
to go on break - she smiles, getting an idea.

EXT. GLC TOWER - SIDE OF BUILDING - MOMENTS LATER

MOMENTS LATER: The Louds are all crowded into the small,
rickety, window-washers platform, hanging off the side of the
building. Everyone looks terrified as Lynn uses the pulley
rope system to lower the platform towards the ground.

43 LOUD FAMILY
<NERVOUS CRINGING/WINCING>

43A LYNN
<PANICKED ROPE PULLING EFFORTS>

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44 LISA
By my rough calculation, factoring
in our combined weight and this
platform's capacity, I'm afraid
we're--

Just then one of the four ropes SNAPS, and the platform
tilts. The family <SCREAMS> and clings to the railing.

45 LOUD FAMILY
<SCREAM!!>

46 LUCY
Goners.

47 LYNN
<PANICKED ROPE PULLING EFFORTS>

48 LINCOLN
If we don't make it, I just want to
say I love you guys!

A second rope SNAPS!

49 LOUD FAMILY
<SCREAM!!>

50 LINCOLN
And, I'm sorry I spilled pickle
juice in the back of the RV and
blamed it on Lily!

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51 LILY
<GASP!> I knew it.

Lily glares at him. Just then the last two ropes SNAP!

52 LYNN
<PANICKED ROPE PULLING EFFORTS>

They plummet, <SCREAMING>, and land with a thunk a second later.

53 LOUD FAMILY
<LONG SCREAM!!> <TINY IMPACT>

PULL OUT to reveal they were only three feet from the ground.

54 LOUD FAMILY (CONT'D)
<SIGH OF RELIEF>

They hurry off the platform. Dad looks relieved.

54A DAD
We're alive!

Mom, shaken up, records.

55 MOM
After dropping by to take in the
view...

EXT/INT. RV - GLC PARK - EVENING

The sun is setting as the RV pulls into a parking spot on the street outside the park. A stage is set up in the park.

56 MOM (V.O.) (CON'T)
...it's time to unwind with some
live music at the GLC Jazz
festival.

As the family gets out and heads to the park, Dad studies the clutter of conflicting signs.

57A DAD
Huh... these signs are a little
confusing.

Dad stumbles back from looking up so high.

DAD (CONT'D)
<WHOAH>

He points to a sign with a sandcastle and frowny face.

DAD (CONT'D)
What on earth does this mean?

LISA
You can't build a sandcastle here.
What's hard to understand?

Dad shrugs as they walk off.

DAD
Eh, I'm sure it's fine.

EXT. GLC PARK - LATER

As the band wraps up, the Louds applaud.

58 LUNA
You rock-- I mean, you jazz?! You
get what I'm sayin'!!

59 MOM
Well, we did it! We saw everything
we needed to see for my article.

60 LUAN
<SIGH> That's a relief. For a
second there, I didn't think we'd
be able to avoid the Casagrandes.

The next band starts playing flamenco music. As the family
looks to the stage, their expressions change from happy to
concerned -- because the band is BOBBY and HECTOR!

61 LORI
<GASP!> Is that--Hector and Bobby?!

62 LOUD FAMILY
<GASP!>

63 DAD
(whispering)
Let's move, people!

The family turns to run, but stops when they see ROSA, FRIDA,
CARLOS and CARLITOS having a tamale picnic behind them.

64 LOUD FAMILY
<GASP!>

They turn again but see Carl and CJ playing frisbee across
from them. They're surrounded.

65 **LOUD FAMILY** (CONT'D)
<GASP!>

66 **LUCY**
We're doomed.

Dad pulls up the picnic blanket, dumping all the food, and throws it over his head to hide with a <SOB>.

67 **DAD**
<WHIMPER>

68 **LANA**
<GASP!> Maybe we can dig a tunnel
out of the park?!

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Lana starts to dig - dirt hitting the family.

69 **LANA** (CONT'D)
<FRANTIC DIGGING EFFORTS>

Then Luna sees the previous BAND **packing up** their instruments.

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70 **LUNA**
I have a better idea.

EXT. PARK ENTRANCE - MOMENTS LATER

As the band exits, the Louds hide inside the large instrument cases. The Loud family busts out. The bass player looks confused as the Louds run off.

71 **LOUD FAMILY**
<HURRIED RUNNING EFFORTS>

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Luna stops to thank the band.

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71A **LUNA**
Thanks. You guys jazz!

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EXT. CITY STREET - CONTINUOUS

The Louds run down the street, toward the RV. They skid to a stop when they see Carlota headed towards them with shopping bags, blocking their path to the RV. They run the other way, but see RONNIE ANNE skateboarding at them. They're cornered!

72 **LOUD FAMILY**
<HURRIED RUNNING EFFORTS> <NERVOUS
WINCING>

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73 LINCOLN

Quick! In here!

Lincoln hurries the family into the building behind them.

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INT. (CASAGRANDE) APARTMENT BUILDING - CONTINUOUS

They enter and <SIGH> with relief.

75 LOUD FAMILY

<PHEW!>

Dad looks around.

76 DAD

Why does this place look familiar?

We rack out to reveal they're actually in the CASAGRANDE BUILDING!

77 LORI

Uh, 'cause this is literally the Casagrande's building!

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78 LYNN

<GROAN> Great move, Stinkin'! We're in the belly of the beast!

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Just then we see RA about to enter.

79 LOUD FAMILY

<YAH!>

The Louds hurry up the stairs.

80 LOUD FAMILY (CONT'D)

<HURRIED PANICKED RUNNING>

EXT. CASAGRANDE APARTMENT BUILDING - ROOF - MOMENTS LATER

The Louds, out of breath, fall into a pile on roof and slam the door behind them.

81 LOUD FAMILY

<WHOA-- OOF!>

82 DAD

That was close! <PANTING> We'll just wait it out a few minutes, then sneak back downstairs. And I'm sure we all need to catch our breath anyway, right?!

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Dad <PANTS> but no one else does.

83 **DAD** (CONT'D)
<PANTING> Just me? <DEEP BREATHS>
All right!

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Dad tries the door but it won't budge.

84 **DAD** (CONT'D)
Oh no-- oh nonononono--
 (trying again)
It's locked!

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Dad pulls, putting his feet against the door for leverage. He yanks hard, then falls to the ground with a THUD.

85 **DAD** (CONT'D)
<PULL EFFORTS> <WHOA!> <OOF!>

86 **MOM**
My laptop's in the RV, and I need
it to type my article! If we don't
get down there, I'll miss my
deadline!

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Lincoln looks around and sees a vent.

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87 **LINCOLN**
Wait! I have an idea!

Lincoln leans down by the metal grate opening.

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88 **LINCOLN (O.S.)** (CONT'D)
I saw this in a David Steele movie!
It's gotta work!

CUT TO: Lincoln climbing through VENTS that loop around
through the building until he finds his way out.

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89 **LINCOLN** (CONT'D)
<HUMMING SPY MUSIC> <OPENING VENT
EFFORT>

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REVEAL: He's just on the other side of the roof.

90 **LINCOLN** (CONT'D)
Oh come on!

91 **MOM**
Thanks for trying, Lincoln, but
we're out of time. There's only one
option: We have to call the
Casagrandes.

92 DAD
No no no! They can't know we've
been here the whole time! There's
gotta be a way off this roof!

Dad runs to the ledge and starts to climb over it. *

93 KIDS
Dad, no! *

95 LOUD KIDS
<PULLING EFFORTS> *

96 DAD
No, no, no! I can do it! *

They pull him back away from the ledge. *

97 ROSA (O.S.)
Louds?

Reveal Rosa holding a watering can, the roof door open behind her. The family freezes in place.

98 ROSA (CONT'D)
What are you all doing here?

99 DAD
(forcing a big smile)
Rosa! Hey, hey, hey! We were
uh...just...you know...
(thinking fast)
...uh trying out Lisa's new
teleportation device! <AWKWARD
CHUCKLE> It works!
(to Lisa)
Nice job, sweetie!

Lisa slaps her forehead.

100A LISA
<FACE PALM> Oh geeze. *

Rosa frowns, clearly not buying it.

101 LENI
OMGosh, really? I thought we were
hiding from the Casagrandes!

102 MOM/DAD
<WINCE>

103 ROSA

What? Hiding from us? I don't understand.

104 MOM

We weren't hiding. Well maybe a little. But only because we had something important to do. Not, not that you're not important- I mean- uh Lynn, help me out here?

105A DAD

Well you know Rita had a magazine deadline and well, you know, we thought--

107 ROSA

Don't trouble yourselves. I won't take up anymore of your time. <SAD SIGH>

A hurt Rosa walks back inside, leaving the door open. The Louds exchange a guilty look.

108 MOM

<SIGH> We have to fix this.

109 LINCOLN

But what about your article?

110 MOM

Some things are more important, Lincoln.

INT. CASAGRANDE APARTMENT - MOMENTS LATER

Mom talks to the Casagrandes as the Louds look on.

111 MOM

...so the whole point of not telling you was to spare your feelings, but clearly by sneaking around, we've hurt you even more.

112 ROSA

Yes, you have. You could have been honest with us - we would have understood.

113 DAD/KIDS

<SOBS> We messed up./We're really sorry!

114 MOM
Can you guys ever forgive us?

Beat. The Casagrandes look at each other. They smile.

115 ROSA/CARLOTA/CJ
Claro que sí!/Obviously./Of course.

116 CARL
Hmm...I'll think about it. I need time to heal.

Rosa gives him a look.

116A CARL (CONT'D)
I'm healed!

118 ROSA
Rita, go finish your article. I don't want you to miss your deadline. But after that, maybe you can all stay for dinner.

118A MOM
We'd love to.

Rita hugs Rosa, then runs out. CUT TO:

EXT. CASAGRANDE APARTMENT - ROOF - LATER

Close on Mom, typing on her laptop.

119 MOM (V.O.)
As our summer adventure comes to an end in Great Lakes City, I'm reminded that, it's not always what you do that makes the trip...

Mom finishes typing.

120 MOM (V.O.)
...it's the people you spend time with...

She smiles, presses send and closes her laptop as Rosa brings in a tray of tamales and sets it down on an outside table set for dinner.

121 ROSA
I hope everyone's hungry!

122 KIDS

Smells devine!/Ooo! Tamales!/Yes
Please!

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123 CARL

Hey...isn't that your RV?

The Louds look over the side of the building to see their RV
being towed. Dad looks stricken and <WHIMPERS>.

124 DAD

<YELPS>

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Mom smiles.

125 MOM

Well, I guess we're staying the
night!

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Sergio flies in and lands on Dad's head.

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125A SERGIO

<SQUAWK!> Hope you don't mind my
snoring!

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125B MOM/CARL

<LAUGHS>

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THE END.