CRYO

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INT. OFFICE - DAY

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CAMCORDER POV: an OLD MAN (60s) gathers his words.

OLD MAN Do you know the first bible story I heard as a boy? It was Lazarus, raised from the dead. After that I always wished I could bring my back mother. Of course, that never happened. But I'll always remember those first embers of hope ... that maybe someone could...

OLD MAN drifts in his thoughts.

2 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - NIGHT

> BLUE LIGHT. Steam spills out of a HUMMING MACHINE -- a metal sarcophagus. BLACK-GLOVED HANDS reach from offscreen and tugs on the cryo-chamber's door.

> The top CRACKS open, releasing its built-up pressure. A WOMAN reaches out from the cryo-chamber, shivering, wet, and naked.

WOMAN crawls onto the cold concrete. She fades from consciousness...

FADE OUT.

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INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - LATER

BLAST of a gunshot.

WOMAN jolts awake. She shields her naked body.

She's alone... There's nothing. No one. Complete darkness except for the faint blue glow of the machine.

Her knees wobble but she manages to her feet. Next to the cryo-chamber hangs underwear and a GREY JUMPSUIT. She puts it on. Sewn on the breast -- underscored in white -- is a number: 002.

Her hair is still drenched. She quivers, experiencing a cold unlike anything she has ever felt.

She blindly scours the walls until she finds a dark opening. She steps through.

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4 INT. DARK HALLWAY - NIGHT

This space is even darker than the first.

Which explains why she doesn't detect the BLOODY HANDPRINT on the wall as she passes. Dried and browning.

5 INT. COMMON ROOM - NIGHT

002 picks up her gait into a wobbly walk. She enters a spacious room lit only by a dim RED EMERGENCY LIGHT. It's sparsely furnished. No one's there. What is this place?

SUDDENLY -- she hears a *NOISE*. A figure scurries behind her. 002 spins on her heels. She cautiously treads closer.

A PRETTY WOMAN cries, huddled in a ball. She wears a similar jumpsuit. At the sight of 002, she cowers even more.

002 (hesitant) I'm not going to hurt you.

PRETTY WOMAN Who are you?

MIDDLE-AGED MAN (O.S.) Hey. You!

The two women duck out of sight, away from each other. A MIDDLE-AGED MAN rushes in with a SCRAWNY MAN tailing behind, both, also, in grey jumpsuits.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN (CONT'D) It's alright, it's alright. Come on out.

The women ease into sight.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN (CONT'D) What are your names?

They take a close look at one another. They are all limp. Exhausted. Silent.

002 What are yours?

SCRAWNY MAN We don't know.

PRETTY WOMAN None of us?

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No one fesses up. A door behind them *CREEKS*. They all look over -- MIDDLE-AGED MAN is the obvious choice to investigate.

He sneaks toward a set of twin doors. The first is slightly ajar. He opens it... Nothing.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN looks to the others. As he closes the door, a GRUFF MAN bursts from its twin, brawling.

He ROARS, planting a right hook onto MIDDLE-AGED MAN's jaw.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN (CONT'D) What are you doing?!

GRUFF MAN WHO ARE YOU? WHERE AM I?

MIDDLE-AGED MAN You were in cryo you idiot!

GRUFF MAN releases his hold on MIDDLE-AGED MAN. Tension settles. They all take a beat to process.

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Cryo?

SCRAWNY MAN Like cryonics, right? Long-term human preservation.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN I wasn't certain at first, but I engineered the cryo-chambers.

GRUFF MAN Those machine we woke up in?

MIDDLE-AGED MAN That's right. We were the team assembled to test cryosleep.

The group considers this.

002 Okay, so we're a team, which mean we must all have jobs.

GRUFF MAN (scoffs) I don't even remember my name. PRETTY WOMAN So apart from losing our memories, anyone experiencing any other negative side affects?

SCRAWNY MAN (panicking) Shouldn't there have been someone to meet us here? To let us know if the test even worked, to help us remember what happened.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN The Inventor, maybe he woke us up.

002 The Inventor?

A distant SQUEEKING of rats is heard. PRETTY WOMAN turns toward the source.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN

Of the cryosleep technology. He was my colleague. He was supposed to wake us up and evaluate the test.

SCRAWNY MAN

So where is he?

GRUFF MAN Maybe those machines we were in malfunctioned.

PRETTY WOMAN listens more intensely to the SQUEEKING.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN That's impossible.

SCRAWNY MAN

How so?

MIDDLE-AGED MAN Because I built them. I'd have never let that happen.

PRETTY WOMAN (soft) Does anyone hear that? There's something scratching.

GRUFF MAN Power's out. Perhaps that's what woke us up. More SQUEEKING and SCRATCHING.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN It's not what woke us up. The cryochambers have to be opened manually. There's got to be another power source.

002 and GRUFF MAN look to each other, both aware of the convenient answers.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN (CONT'D) Look, if those cryo-chambers malfunctioned. We'd all be dead.

GRUFF MAN You sure remember a lot.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN does not appreciate the accusation.

002 (at Gruff Man) We heard a gunshot.

GRUFF MAN Why do you think I was hiding out? I saw someone's shadow moving around the moment I woke up.

The SQUEEKING continues. Even louder.

PRETTY WOMAN I hear something. It sounds like rats.

SCRAWNY MAN This Inventor of yours, he wasn't planning on using a gun to wake us up, was he?

PRETTY WOMAN Maybe we should go...

PRETTY WOMAN takes a step and nearly collapses.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN No. He's here somewhere. He'll come. I say we wait here, get some rest.

SCRAWNY MAN Weren't we just hibernating?

The group settles into their fatigue.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN Our memories are going to come back. It's just our senses are going to be a little unreliable. Don't trust anything you see.

The others nestle into chairs. 002 settles in the corner, laying her head on a table. She drifts into a hazy sleep.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY ONE

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INT. COMMON ROOM - DAY

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002 is in a DREAM -- she sees GRAPES, WINE, MEATS and CHEESE.

She opens her eyes to the BRIGHT LIGHT. MIDDLE-AGED MAN holds several FLASHLIGHTS in hand.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN Found these. The Inventor never showed.

The others stir awake. He hands them each a light. Now able to see, they examine each other and their surroundings.

002 Anyone remember their names?

PRETTY WOMAN shakes her head, disappointed.

WE NOW SEE that everyone has been assigned a NUMBER and COLOR, stitched into their jumpsuit:

MIDDLE-AGED MAN = 001, RED, THE ENGINEER; 002 = WHITE, THE **PSYCHOLOGIST**; SCRAWNY MAN = 003, GREEN, THE BIOCHEMIST; and PRETTY WOMAN = 005, BLUE, THE DOCTOR. Only GRUFF MAN's is different -- GOLD, but <u>NO NUMBER</u>, THE SOLDIER.

ENGINEER Alright guys, let's go have a look around.

Engineer lingers near Psychologist.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) Did you notice there's no number on him? PSYCHOLOGIST Do you think he had something to do with the gunshot?

ENGINEER You heard a gunshot?

Psychologist gives him a puzzled look.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) (quiet; suggesting) We should keep a close eye on him.

Engineer moves to the front of the pack.

INT. LOBBY - DAY

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Five flickering beams illuminate the darkness. The facility is bare and cave-like, clearly deep under the earth.

BIOCHEMIST Still think the Inventor is here?

ENGINEER Oh, he's here alright. He'd sacrifice anything to protect his work. Said cryo was his gift to mankind. He'd discover a new planet, even go as far as the ninth sphere.

PSYCHOLOGIST The ninth sphere?

ENGINEER Of heaven. The Inventor loved making religious allusions. Felt like technology could achieve the divine.

They look up and see a STAIRCASE leading to an AIRLOCK passageway. BIOHAZARD WARNINGS are plastered to the walls.

PSYCHOLOGIST Why would there be an airlock?

ENGINEER Let's spread out. See if we can find the Inventor. Let's find us some beds. The team splits up.

8 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY

Psychologist examines the room. Two COTS are neatly made.

9 INT. ELECTRICAL ROOM - DAY

Engineer finds a TOOLBOX. In it, a NOTEBOOK with equations and diagrams of the cryo-chambers' design.

Above the toolbox, the Engineer discovers an ELECTRICAL BOX with heavy wire tubing extending out of it. Printed numbers 001, 002, 003, 004, and 005 run alongside each wire.

One WIRE, the one labeled 005, has had its rubbing lining torn. The exposed wiring beneath is frayed and sparking slightly.

Psychologist explores her way into the room. Engineer uses his body to shield the faulty wiring. Not making eye-contact.

ENGINEER

This place is a mess.

As she continues on, Engineer offers a look to say that he knows more then he's willing to share.

10 INT. ESCAPE LADDER - DAY

In the next room over, Biochemist trails behind Doctor. They find an ESCAPE LADDER, leading up to a BOLTED HATCH with a SMALL WINDOW.

DOCTOR Hey. Sunlight.

She stares up to the light bleeding in. A TREE BRANCH is barely visible through the small window.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) I think it leads outside.

BIOCHEMIST Let's keep looking.

Doctor obeys. Uncertain.

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11 INT. DARK CORRIDOR - DAY

Psychologist shines her light down a dubious hallway. A small LIGHT flickers deep down the tunnel.

12 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

> Soldier stumbles upon a room full of TOOLS. He studies his surroundings, memorizing the layout.

He looks down into pieces from a SHATTERED MIRROR and stares, seeing himself for the first time. Questioning everything.

In the corner he spots up a pair of WALKIES. He flips one on. Static.

13 INT. OFFICE - DAY

> Psychologist sets her light down. She sits behind a desk. She touches its surface. This feels familiar.

She notices a CAMCORDER tucked away. She picks it up, turns it on. The playback is a BLUE SCREEN, symbolizing a blank tape.

She looks up. The screen flashes a glimpse of herself looking into camera. Then back to a blank screen.

Psychologist didn't catch the glitch.

14 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 005 - DAY

> Engineer studies the tubing coming from the cryo-chamber. He looks to the ceiling. There's a large clump of POWER CABLES leading out of the room.

15 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY

> Doctor stumbles upon a medical room stocked with EQUIPMENT. She handles a SYRINGE, considering...

16 INT. LABORATORY - DAY

> Biochemist checks the lab. It's littered with JANKY EQUIPMENT. His light starts to flicker; he frantically adjusts it.

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17 INT. BOLTED DOOR - DAY

Engineer follows the tubing to a dark space with a MASSIVE BOLTED DOOR -- locked with a PASSCODE PINPAD. The wires run past it. He notices a small WINDOW and looks through it.

GASPS.

18 INT. OFFICE - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Resting on the desk is a NOTEPAD with a CIRCLE around the number 9. Psychologist picks it up.

PSYCHOLOGIST Dante. The ninth sphere of heaven... Dante?

She thinks to herself. STARTLING --

OLD MAN (O.S.) They are preserved for a wise purpose.

Psychologist whips around to see OLD MAN's feet, in the interview compartment of her room. She is rattled.

OLD MAN (CONT'D) Which purpose is known unto God. And God's course is one eternal round.

She creeps closer.

PSYCHOLOGIST Who are you? What are you doing here?

DOCTOR (0.S.)

GUYS!

Psychologist turns.

19 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY

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Doctor is coated in fear.

DOCTOR

SOMEONE!

PAN TO a MACHETE lodged into a LARGE WOODEN DOOR -- bruised with hundreds of CHOP MARKS.

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20 INT. OFFICE - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Psychologist turns back to Old Man. But he has vanished.

21 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY

Soldier rips the machete out from the door. Examines it.

DOCTOR

Open it.

They open the door to a small chamber. The floor is covered in DRYING BLOOD.

SOLDIER

Whoa.

Biochemist hides behind Engineer.

Soldier steps forward, setting the machete down, kneeling next to the stain. He wipes his finger in the blood.

A trail of blood leads out of the chamber. Someone was dragged away from here.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) This is fresh. A day old, maybe two.

BIOCHEMIST If the Inventor was here, he's dead now.

ENGINEER We can't be sure this is his blood.

DOCTOR Then who woke us up?

SOLDIER Well, I'm out.

Soldier storms out.

BIOCHEMIST Wait. Wait!

22 INT. LOBBY - DAY

Soldier B-lines it to the staircase. Engineer steps between him and the exit.

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The others catch up.

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SOLDIER (CONT'D)
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Move.

ENGINEER Not a chance.

PSYCHOLOGIST What are we doing?

ENGINEER This genius here is trying to poison everyone.

SOLDIER

What?

DOCTOR Why not let him go?

ENGINEER Because we don't know how long we've been asleep.

PSYCHOLOGIST What are you talking about?

ENGINEER

If the Inventor was supposed to wake us up and didn't. Then someone else did. It could have been somebody just looking for shelter, or human touch. Anything could have happened out there.

SOLDIER

Look, you all can do what you want. But I'm taking off.

Biochemist nervously hovers beside Engineer.

BIOCHEMIST The engineer is right. Please don't go up there just yet.

SOLDIER

Why not?

BIOCHEMIST Because we don't know what's out there.

SOLDIER I'll take my chances.

BIOCHEMIST

Wait. We are dealing with the unknown now and have to account for entropy, which suggests that a state of order will almost certainly descend into chaos--

SOLDIER I don't have time for your bullshit.

BIOCHEMIST Listen! Why do you think there's an airlock?

Beat. Soldier stands down. They all look up at the airlock.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) You don't have any protective gear. If you go up there and open the airlock, the air could kill you. And then we'll be stuck down here.

SOLDIER

So what, like, chemical warfare?

BIOCHEMIST

Not necessarily. There could have been a virus or a sun flare, hell, Darwinism. Entropy. Things will always descend into a state of disorder. Anything could have happened. My discipline, it's coming back.

DOCTOR

Assuming the Inventor never made it... how long could those cryochambers preserve someone?

ENGINEER (WORRIED) They were meant to preserve life at all costs. Heal even the most critical condition.

DOCTOR So how long?

ENGINEER Theoretically speaking, centuries. A thousand years, possibly more. I don't know.

SOLDIER

No! How do we know the Inventor isn't outside waiting for us right now?

PSYCHOLOGIST

We don't.

SOLDIER Then I'm going out there to check.

BIOCHEMIST Soldier, we have to assume the worst.

SOLDIER

We also have to assume we're not alone down here. In case you forgot, we just found a bloodsoaked machete.

BIOCHEMIST

It's still a safer bet. Down here, at least we can breathe.

SOLDIER

Okay, alright, but we need light. (re: flashlights) These are going to cut it. If I'm going to stay down here, we have to get the power back on.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Wait, listen.

They all go silent. They hear the HUM of a machine in an adjacent room.

23 INT. TIGHT PASSAGEWAY - DAY

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They step through a CAST IRON DOOR into a narrow stone passageway.

Soldier squeezes through the passage and quickly returns.

SOLDIER (to Biochemist) You. You're coming with me. BIOCHEMIST

Why me?

SOLDIER Because Gramps here isn't going to fit.

ENGINEER

Hey!

BIOCHEMIST What about one of them?

DOCTOR I'm happy to help.

Soldier grabs Biochemist by the collar and forces him through.

24 INT. POWER ROOM - DAY

Heavy pipes rattle. The machinery in the room is *DEAFENING*. A giant CIRCUIT BREAKER *DRONES*. Atop of the breaker are dozens of WEATHERED WIRES, some sparking uncontrollably.

BIOCHEMIST

THERE.

SOLDIER YEAH THAT'S IT.

BIOCHEMIST IT LOOKS LIKE IT HAS BEEN SABOTAGED.

Soldier unzips his jumpsuit and ties the sleeves around his waist, ready for action.

He examines the dangers of the wires. He looks around, then picks up a LEAD PIPE.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) YOU'RE GOING TO USE A METAL POLE?

SOLDIER WOULD YOU RATHER USE YOUR HAND?!

Soldier crawls under the low-hanging piping to the exposed wires. He slides the lead pipe behind the heavy cables and lifts them up -- careful not to touch the open circuits.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) COME HERE. GRAB THIS. BIOCHEMIST SO, CRYOSLEEP WIPED EVERYTHING EXCEPT HOW TO FIX A GENERATOR, HUH?

SOLDIER YOU KNOW, MY TRAINING IS KICKING IN. I'M PRETTY SURE I'M MILITARY.

BIOCHEMIST

WHAT?

SOLDIER COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY.

With the wires out of his way, Soldier shuts off the circuit breaker. The EMERGENCY LIGHTS throughout the facility shut off.

Biochemist's elbows quiver; the bundle of coils are getting heavy.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) DO NOT DROP THAT ON ME.

Biochemist grits his teeth.

Soldier crawls under more piping. He finds a small FUEL VALVE and turns it on.

Next to it, the ENGINE SWITCH. Soldier turns on the generator. He crawls back to Biochemist.

BIOCHEMIST

ALMOST DONE?

SOLDIER ALMOST. WE NEED TO LET THE GENERATOR RUN FOR A BIT BEFORE I CAN SWITCH THE CIRCUIT BREAKER BACK ON.

BIOCHEMIST I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER I CAN HOLD THIS.

Soldier crawls back under the pipes. Biochemist's muscles strain, but his face drops to a callous.

SOLDIER OKAY, THAT SHOULD DO IT. ON THREE. ONE, TWO, THREE.

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Soldier cranks the circuit breaker to ON.

25 INT. TIGHT PASSAGEWAY - DAY

The power zaps on. Visibility at last. Psychologist, Doctor, and Engineer CHEER in relief.

26 INT. POWER ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Biochemist collapses from exhaustion. The wiring snaps back. SPARKS fly.

SOLDIER

AHHH!

27 INT. TIGHT PASSAGEWAY - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Their celebration is cut short by the frantic SCREAMS from Biochemist.

DOCTOR ARE YOU OKAY?

BIOCHEMIST (O.S.) HE'S INJURED! IT'S BAD. HIS WHOLE CHEST.

Biochemist does his best to push Soldier through the passage. Psychologist reaches in and pulls him through. A BURN across his chest.

Engineer lifts him up and carries Soldier out. Followed by the horrified Biochemist.

DOCTOR Follow me. I know what to do.

She leads them down the hall.

28 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY

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Engineer drops Soldier on a GURNEY. Doctor lifts his undershirt to reveal horrible SCARS all over his TORSO.

ENGINEER

What the hell?

Doctor turns Soldier over, revealing the electrocution burn on his BACK SHOULDER.

DOCTOR What happened to him?

PSYCHOLOGIST I thought you said the wound was on his chest.

BIOCHEMIST No. I didn't do anything. He had me hold up all these wires. I couldn't.

ENGINEER I believe that.

Doctor applies an ointment to the burn.

DOCTOR Lucky for you, I remember my job. I'm a doctor.

She covers the wound in a dry, loose BANDAGE. Soldier stirs.

Now, with the lights overhead functioning, Doctor sees that Soldier's jumpsuit is missing its numbers.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) What happened to your number?

ENGINEER That is what I'd like to know.

Soldier looks down at his jumpsuit for the first time.

SOLDIER It's just what I found, maybe they fell off.

BIOCHEMIST No, they're stitched in.

SOLDIER How should I know what happened?

BIOCHEMIST You're the only variable.

They all stare at Soldier for a moment.

SOLDIER

You serious?

Doctor notices faded BLOOD STAINS on the sleeve and pant leg of his jumpsuit.

DOCTOR

Well, I think this settles it. We need to try our luck outside.

PSYCHOLOGIST They were being careless. This was avoidable.

DOCTOR How long do you think we'll last in a place like this? We don't have the resources.

ENGINEER

Maybe we do.

29 INT. BOLTED DOOR - DAY

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Eyes take turns peering through the narrow window on the thick door.

PSYCHOLOGIST What do you see?

SOLDIER This is definitely the other power source. There's computers, radios, food. Plenty of food.

BIOCHEMIST So, life or death behind this door.

ENGINEER Anyone remember the code?

Blank faces.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) Alright then. We've got one, two, three, five. Why don't we try our mystery man's missing number.

Engineer punches in: 0-0-4. DENIED. The screen READS: Two attempts remaining.

DOCTOR

Let me try.

BIOCHEMIST

OKAY, wait, stop, stop! Please! If we get the next two attempts wrong, we could be locked out permanently. (MORE)

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D)

Who's to say it's one of our numbers. There are a thousand possible combinations.

PSYCHOLOGIST He's right. Let's give it some time, search the facility a little more. Maybe it'll come to us. It could be written down somewhere.

The group yields.

SOLDIER

Be careful.

30 INT. GAME ROOM - DAY

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Doctor, Psychologist, and Biochemist scour what must be a recreation room.

Doctor fidgets with an OLD-TIMEY TELEVISION SET. Biochemist finds a box of BOARD GAMES and an OLD RECORD PLAYER.

BIOCHEMIST That's fun. They say music is good for memory.

DOCTOR

Nice!

He reads way too much into her compliment.

Psychologist wanders around, taking in her surroundings. It all seems so familiar. She experiences QUICK FLASHES of food, her eating at a fine dining table, and Doctor ... in her cryochamber.

31 INT. LOBBY - DAY

Soldier and Engineer enter from adjoining doors.

ENGINEER

Anything?

SOLDIER I've checked every room. There's no one else down here.

ENGINEER Keep looking. The Inventor's here alright.

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Engineer moves on. Soldier looks up to the airlock. Then reasons against it.

32 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

Cabinets, drawers -- all empty of food. Nothing but KICKKNACKS and DUSTY DINING UTENSILS.

Engineer comes back from a pantry. He sets a WATER JUG and several TIN CANS on a countertop.

ENGINEER Found these. And some water.

DOCTOR

Oh, wow.

SOLDIER Don't you have a knack for finding things.

DOCTOR Any indication to what is in them?

ENGINEER No idea. But I found enough to last maybe a week.

BIOCHEMIST Anyone seen a can opener?

Engineer opens a drawer next to him. Then the next. They're both empty. Psychologist checks a cabinet. Empty as well.

SOLDIER You don't need a can opener to crack that.

Soldier takes one of the cans. He wedges the handle of a DUSTY SPOON to the roof of the can.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) A bunch of scientists and no one here knows how to open a can.

He WHACKS the bowl of the spoon. The SEAL of the can breaks. Soldier uses his finger to lift the sharp LID open.

BIOCHEMIST

What is it?

Soldier dumps some DRIED OATS onto a surface. He turns to the jug, adds water to the can. Everyone watches.

He picks up the spoon and stirs the water into a MUSHY PORRIDGE.

DOCTOR Soldier, I don't think that's sanitary.

Soldier wipes the spoon across his jumpsuit. Then takes a bite.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) Seems okay.

ENGINEER Not steak, but it'll do.

DOCTOR Thank God! I'm so hungry.

BIOCHEMIST Being frozen burns a lot of calories.

Doctor is the next to grab a spoon and take a bite. The others all dig in like a pack of animals -- all except the Psychologist, who watches them eat.

Biochemist tries to open another can but doesn't have the strength. Engineer takes it from him. Looking directly at Soldier, he breaks its seal effortlessly.

And so the pissing contest begins.

33 INT. GAME ROOM - NIGHT

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A RECORD spins. "REMEMBER" by Irving Berlin CROONS throughout the facility.

All five sit around enjoying a game of CLUE and eating oatmeal. They laugh, enjoying a brief moment away from the stress of survival.

DOCTOR It's got to be Professor Plum, he hasn't shown up at all.

BIOCHEMIST No, no, I think I've got it! I accuse Mrs. White, with the revolver, in the study. Doctor checks the SLIP.

DOCTOR He's right!

PSYCHOLOGIST

Dang.

SOLDIER This game is rigged.

BIOCHEMIST How do you rig Clue?

They all laugh, even Soldier.

SUDDENLY -- Doctor's laugh turns into a WHEEZE. Then a COUGH. She starts to HACK uncontrollably.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) Doctor? Doctor!

She collapses. The others rush to her aid and carry her from the room.

As they leave, the old-timey television flickers. Noise appears on screen with the slightest hint of a FIGURE watching them.

34 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - NIGHT

Engineer lays Doctor on the cot. She shivers under a BLANKET. Everyone hovers over her.

BIOCHEMIST Is it from cryosleep?

ENGINEER No way to tell. Could just be her body's way of adjusting.

PSYCHOLOGIST Why haven't our memories come back yet?

BIOCHEMIST Maybe we were asleep too long.

ENGINEER They'll come. We should call it a night.

He leaves, followed by Soldier. Biochemist lingers a beat.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) It's alright. I'll watch her.

Biochemist nods and exits. Psychologist stays, sitting next to Doctor -- digging deep into her memories.

35 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

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Psychologist sits in front of the RECORDING camcorder.

PSYCHOLOGIST If you're watching this, I'm going to use this camera to keep track of everything. (sighs) We don't remember any personal details, but we have figured out the roles for the rest of the team: there's an engineer, who we know helped construct the cryo-chambers. He's convinced himself that the Inventor is still alive despite evidence of the contrary. And the biochemist, who is here to study the effects of coolant on our DNA, molecules, and enzymes. He is frantic, unpredictable. There is the military communications and technology specialist. I know he's hiding something. And the doctor, who doesn't want to admit she's getting sick. The only person I don't know is...

It dawns on her.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) God, I'm a psychologist.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY TWO

Psychologist sits on the edge of her cot. She receives FLASHES of old memories again: food, her eating, and the others going into cryosleep.

Disappointed. She still can't make sense of anything.

37 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

Soldier shadow boxes. Performs push-ups and pull-ups. Trying to get his mind right.

38 INT. BATHROOM - DAY

WATER flows into a KETTLE. Steam builds. Doctor enjoys a moment to herself sitting in an OLD TUB ... letting hot water run over her body.

Behind her, the door opens. The silhouette of Biochemist watches her bathe.

Doctor stops washing her body. Waits. Something doesn't feel right ... she looks over her shoulder, no one is there.

39 INT. GAME ROOM - DAY

Psychologist and Engineer stare at the spilt oats on the floor and the water jug half-empty. The board game right where they left it from the night before.

> PSYCHOLOGIST We need to ration.

Doctor joins them.

DOCTOR Good morning... I think?

BIOCHEMIST How are you feeling?

DOCTOR Fine, thanks. I keep getting this feeling that someone is watching me.

BIOCHEMIST I know what you mean. 36

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DOCTOR Where's the soldier?

40 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

Soldier examines something near a wall stacked with MIRRORS. He's brandishing a REVOLVER. He opens the cylinder: five BULETS remain.

He tucks the gun in his pocket when --

ENGINEER (O.S.)

Soldier.

SOLDIER

Yes!

The team files in.

ENGINEER Just checking you're alright.

SOLDIER

I'm good.

Beat. The moment is slightly awkward.

BIOCHEMIST So, what's on the agenda today?

ENGINEER SOLDIER We wait for the Inventor to Find a way out of here. return.

The two glare at each other.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) You still think the Inventor's alive?

ENGINEER Until I see a body.

DOCTOR Whatever we do, let's do it soon. I can't stand it down here.

PSYCHOLOGIST The engineer is right. If all we find are more questions, then we need to wait until we remember the answers.

41 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - NIGHT

Doctor's hands shake. She struggles to place a STETHESCOPE on Soldier's shirtless back. He breathes deeply.

DOCTOR How's your injury doing? Let me take a look.

Doctor closely removes the bandage from Soldier's chest. His body has zero scars on it like it did before.

SOLDIER Let me ask you something, Doc. Aren't you concerned that someone might murder you in your sleep?

DOCTOR That's a bit personal, isn't it?

SOLDIER

Is it?

Something about the way he says that makes Doctor uncomfortable. She swallows hard. Stands and turns away.

DOCTOR You're worried that gunshot killed the Inventor?

SOLDIER I'm worries about the figure that was hovering over me the moment I woke up. There's a lunatic out there, and we're going to carry on with our little experiment like nothing's wrong.

DOCTOR The engineer seems to think you did it.

She places a CONTAINER of BLUE LIQUID in front of her.

SOLDIER The engineer is a moron. He's suspicious of all the wrong signs. DOCTOR What exactly should we be looking for?

Doctor fills a syringe with the substance.

SOLDIER It's poisoned air outside? Fine, but wouldn't the intruder be getting sick from exposure to radioactivity or something? Wouldn't they want to load up on our food and make a break for it? Or try taking us out, one by one.

She holds the syringe up. She turns back to Soldier.

CUT TO:

42 INT. OFFICE - DAY

Psychologist looks like she's seen a ghost. Perhaps deja vu? She tries to remember.

FOOTSTEPS grow louder. Biochemist sticks his head in.

BIOCHEMIST Hey. Could you give me a psychoanalysis?

PSYCHOLOGIST Why don't you start with your medical examination first.

Biochemist nods and steps back into the shadows.

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43 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

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Doctor steps closer with the syringe. Soldier is lost in thought.

Right before she can prick him, Soldier grabs her arm.

DOCTOR It's for the pain.

SOLDIER

Nuh-uh.

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DOCTOR Apart from the burn, you're as healthy as one can be.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) (shivers) Excuse me.

She exits as quickly as possible.

44 INT. ELECTRICAL ROOM - DAY

> Engineer sits in front of the electrical box. He rummages through his notebook. Deep in the background, Old Man watches him.

SQUEEKING.

Engineer shines his flashlight around, tracking the noise. He turns his light to the back of the room. Old Man is gone.

He sees a hole in the concrete. Engineer shines his light in the hole and sees a RED BLINKING LIGHT.

He pulls the device out from the hole -- it's a CAMERA. Engineer smiles and places the camera back.

He leaves, forgetting about the sparking tubing for 005's chamber.

45 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY

> Biochemist sits on the gurney with his shirt off. Doctor releases the air from a BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR.

> > DOCTOR Blood pressure's high.

BIOCHEMIST Given the circumstances.

Doctor places the head of the stethoscope on Biochemist's chest.

> DOCTOR Deep breath.

BIOCHEMIST What do you think of all this?

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DOCTOR (redirects) I just want answers.

BIOCHEMIST I'd like to remember my own name. And know that I'm safe.

DOCTOR

Any luck on discovering <u>when</u> we are?

BIOCHEMIST Without samples to compare and carbon-date, it's going to be next to impossible.

Doctor's hand suddenly starts to shake. She drops the stethoscope.

DOCTOR Excuse me, I'm so sorry.

BIOCHEMIST Everything alright?

DOCTOR Yes, I just... does it feel cold in here to you?

Biochemist shrugs.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) I'm freezing.

BIOCHEMIST Is there something I can do?

Doctor shakes her head, but is hit with a splitting brain freeze.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) Here. Sit.

Biochemist scoots over and holds up his shirt as a blanket. Doctor looks at him for a moment.

She awkwardly sits, but feels his warmth and cozies up to him. He covers her with his shirt.

After a moment, she becomes uncomfortable.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) T think-- DOCTOR Thank you. Much better. Nothing to worry about.

BIOCHEMIST Think it's from cryosleep?

DOCTOR Probably just a cold.

They are silent for a moment. Biochemist puts his shirt back on.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) So, what about the soldier?

BIOCHEMIST What about him?

DOCTOR Do you think we should trust him?

BIOCHEMIST

Do you?

One FOOTSTEP. Almost as if it was intentional.

Soldier is standing in the open doorway. He stares at the two. They straighten themselves, nervously.

DOCTOR What can I do for you?

Soldier backs away. Doctor SIGHS in relief.

Biochemist notices a strand of Doctor's HAIR on his sleeve. He covertly pockets it.

46 INT. LABORATORY - DAY

Biochemist places Doctor's hair onto a GLASS SLIDE. He checks to make sure no one is coming.

Beneath his table, we see several OXYGEN TANKS. He looks into a MICROSCOPE.

MICROSCOPE VIEW:

The CELLS of the hair strand begin to crystalize into ice.

47 INT. OFFICE - DAY

Soldier takes a seat. Psychologist presses RECORD on her camcorder.

SOLDIER Why are we doing this again?

PSYCHOLOGIST It's a psychoanalysis. To make sure you're sane.

Soldier SCOFFS.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) So please just answer as truthfully as possible. What is your name?

SOLDIER Sergeant I-Don't-Give-A-Shit.

PSYCHOLOGIST You still don't know your name?

SOLDIER Let me know when you do.

PSYCHOLOGIST And you have military training. What branch?

Soldier thinks. He shakes his head.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) All your injuries? Any images, impressions? A tour in the Middle East?

He just sits there.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) What's the last thing you do remember?

SOLDIER

You, actually. I remember you telling me something, right before I went into cryosleep.

PSYCHOLOGIST Really? Well that's good, something about cryosleep. What did I tell you? Was it important? 32.

SOLDIER Yeah, yeah. Umm...

PSYCHOLOGIST Any impressions?

SOLDIER Yes. I'm trying to...

He thinks harder.

PSYCHOLOGIST What was it?

SOLDIER I can't remember.

PSYCHOLOGIST Yes, you can. Think!

SOLDIER I was in the chamber... and...

PSYCHOLOGIST (desperate) What was it?!

SOLDIER I can't FUCKING remember!

Embarrassed, Psychologist backs down. Gathers herself.

PSYCHOLOGIST I shouldn't have pushed you so hard, it was unprofessional. I'm truly sorry.

SOLDIER What did you say?

PSYCHOLOGIST I'm truly sorry.

LIGHT BULB. A different look comes over Soldier. He remembers something. His eyes glisten as he looks at her. Despair.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D)

Soldier?

The realization fades. He wipes his eyes with his sleeve.

SOLDIER Go to hell.

Soldier rushes out as Biochemist enters.

BIOCHEMIST Can I borrow you for a minute?

PSYCHOLOGIST I promise I'll be ready for your evaluation in just a minute.

BIOCHEMIST No, it's not that. It's the doctor.

48 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY

Psychologist leans over Doctor.

BIOCHEMIST I'm worried the cryosleep may have left some lingering effects on her cellular processes.

DOCTOR Seriously guys, I'm fine.

PSYCHOLOGIST Are you sure? How do you know that?

BIOCHEMIST

I mean... she was acting strange lately. All the physical manifestations.

PSYCHOLOGIST Hmm. Well, you seem cognitively sound.

DOCTOR Please, you guys are stressing me out.

PSYCHOLOGIST Well, we can't be too careful. What if cryosleep has negative effects?

DOCTOR I've just been a bit cold lately, that's all. (to Biochemist; humiliated) I can take care of my own health. I am a doctor, remember?

Doctor looks up, she seems to react to something.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) See? You guys better go. I'll catch up.

PSYCHOLOGIST

What?

SOLDIER (O.S.) Hey guys! We've got a problem!

Psychologist and Biochemist look at each other, then exit.

Doctor waits a moment, then slides a syringe into her arm. She draws her BLOOD. She's relieved when nothing seems odd with her blood.

SUDDENLY -- there's a CRACKING sound. She looks down. Her blood is crystallizing and FREEZES.

Nervously, she tucks the VIAL of blood under the gurney. Beneath the gurney are several other frozen VIALS of blood.

49 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

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Soldier has laid out eleven cans next to the water jugs. Biochemist and Psychologist enter.

PSYCHOLOGIST What's wrong?

SOLDIER This morning there were twelve cans. Now there's only eleven.

BIOCHEMIST Someone stole food. Who would do that?

Doctor enters, masking a worried expression.

SOLDIER That's what I would like to know.

BIOCHEMIST (to doctor) Are you okay?

DOCTOR

I'm good.

SOLDIER

This food and water isn't going to last forever, which is something we need to be mindful of. No one is to take food without asking. Copy?

They nod.

50 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 005 - DAY

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Engineer holds up one of the POWER CABLES extending out Doctor's cryo-chamber -- it's SHREDDED.

ENGINEER

Shit.

PSYCHOLOGIST (O.S.) Hey. What are you doing?

Engineer stands in front of the cryo-chamber.

ENGINEER

What?

PSYCHOLOGIST What are you doing with the doctor's cryo-chamber?

Quick on his feet.

ENGINEER I just had to be sure.

PSYCHOLOGIST Sure about what?

ENGINEER Her chamber. That there wasn't a problem.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Was there?

Psychologist moves towards the cryo-chamber. Engineer blocks the frayed wire with his leg.

ENGINEER I've gone through every cryochamber. Checked the schematics. Down to every IC.

PSYCHOLOGIST

And?

Engineer grimaces. Suddenly suspicious in nature.

ENGINEER And someone here isn't who they say they are. This was not part of the Inventor's design.

Engineer reaches under the machine and pulls out the microphone. They stare at each other.

PSYCHOLOGIST Communications and technology?

He nods.

51 INT. COMMON ROOM - NIGHT

Engineer tosses down the mic.

SOLDIER I don't know what that is.

ENGINEER What about these?

Engineer pulls out the two walkies.

SOLDIER Why are you going through my stuff?

DOCTOR You have a radio?! We're saved!

SOLDIER No. We're buried underground surrounded by cement walls. The frequency isn't going to reach anyone.

DOCTOR So what do we do? There's got to be someway to get them to work.

SOLDIER We need to get outside.

BIOCHEMIST Just hold on second, did you forget about the toxins?

SOLDIER

No, you hold on a second. Did you forget about the person hunting us? Someone is still out there!

ENGINEER

No. Whoever opened the cryochambers is right here in this room.

Everyone is silent for a moment.

PSYCHOLOGIST How can you be sure?

SOLDIER He can't. Not until we check the perimeter.

ENGINEER You said it yourself. There's no one else here.

SOLDIER Right, down here. Including a missing body. Unless you found one?

DOCTOR

Then the only way to know for sure is by going outside. Because if it is one of us, staying down here is just as unsafe.

BIOCHEMIST

Or, we'll be just as safe if we stick together inside. Keep an eye on each other.

ENGINEER Maybe that's just what they want us to think.

BIOCHEMIST We can't go outside until we've tested that it's safe.

PSYCHOLOGIST What will that take?

They all look at Biochemist for answers.

BIOCHEMIST Well, for starters, we need a way to breathe oxygen. (MORE)

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) Probably some sort of protection for our skin and eyes.

PSYCHOLOGIST Okay, that's a start. What else?

52 INT. LABORATORY - NIGHT

MONTAGE

-- Soldier and Engineer are led by Biochemist -- the two bigger men carrying oxygen tanks under their arms.

-- Doctor holds up a pair of SAFETY GOGGLES attached to a SURGICAL RESPIRATOR MASK.

-- Psychologist scrapes together some LOOSE CLOTHING -- a BEANIE, JACKET, GLOVES, WORK BOOTS.

END OF MONTAGE

They look at their creation -- a conglomeration of materials resulting in a HAZMAT SUIT.

SOLDIER I think I should go.

ENGINEER

No way!

SOLDIER

Why not?

ENGINEER You won't come back. We'll be stuck here.

Soldier looks to Psychologist.

PSYCHOLOGIST You did say you wanted to leave.

SOLDIER If not me then who?

DOCTOR Me. I'm going.

Everyone stares at the sick woman.

BIOCHEMIST In your condition, whatever is out there could be more dangerous-- Doctor tries to plug the oxygen tube into the mask but her hand shakes too violently to succeed. She looks at Biochemist and stops.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) You should go.

BIOCHEMIST Me? No. I was against this plan since the beginning.

DOCTOR

It has to be you. You need samples, right? To figure out how long we've been down here. Determine if the air is safe.

ENGINEER

Yeah.

BIOCHEMIST Can't someone else do it?

SOLDIER Tell me what to grab and I'll--

ENGINEER

NO! Not you. (to Biochemist) You're going to do it. You go out first thing in the morning.

Engineer walks out as though his word is law in the bunker.

53 INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

The group eats their oatmeal in silence. Everyone is beginning to display SHADOWY BAGS under their eyes.

PSYCHOLOGIST I don't know how much longer I can eat this.

DOCTOR As long as we're here, what choice do we have. Psychologist pushes her meal away and leaves. Doctor waits, then takes what is left.

54 INT. LOBBY - NIGHT 54

Biochemist stares up at the airlock.

55 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - NIGHT

> Doctor shakes off a cold sweat. Psychologist enters, ready for bed. She turns off the light.

> > DOCTOR Can you... leave a light on?

> > > PSYCHOLOGIST

Of course.

Psychologist cracks the hallway door and climbs into bed.

56 INT. DINING ROOM - NIGHT

Psychologist is DREAMING.

Across the table from her sits Old Man. Between them are BREADS, MILK, WINE, MEATS, FRUIT. He smiles and raises a GLASS.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY THREE

57 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY

> Psychologist opens her eyes. They're teary. Doctor is knelt over her -- looking terribly ill.

> > DOCTOR Hey, hey! You're okay. It's me.

PSYCHOLOGIST Doc, what is it? Everything okay?

DOCTOR Yeah. I was just wondering if ... we could talk?

Doctor has a secret she desperately wants to get off her chest.

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PSYCHOLOGIST Sure. You feeling any better?

DOCTOR

I'm alive.

PSYCHOLOGIST Come with me.

58 INT. ELECTRICAL ROOM - DAY

Engineer steps in front of the hidden camera. He holds up the microphone.

ENGINEER I told the others that the soldier planted this. I had to pin some kind of evidence on him. But I know it was you. And I am grateful for the true evidence that you're still out there, watching over us.

59 INT. LABORATORY ROOM - DAY

Biochemist approaches. He eyes the oxygen masks they built the night before -- calculating everything.

60 INT. ELECTRICAL ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

ENGINEER

We have had a few unforeseen complications but don't worry. Nothing will stand in the way of this experiment. I don't know if or when you'll get this message, but I know that you'll be back. And I'll be here, waiting.

61 INT. OFFICE - DAY

Psychologist presses RECORD on her camera.

PSYCHOLOGIST I'm going to record this if you don't mind. For my research. We can count this as your psychoanalysis.

DOCTOR

That's fine.

PSYCHOLOGIST Okay. Let's start with the basics. What is your name?

DOCTOR Still don't know. But I'm certain I'm a physician.

PSYCHOLOGIST What about family?

DOCTOR Don't have any. I think my mother died when I was a child...

PSYCHOLOGIST I'm sorry to hear that. I lost my father to dementia.

DOCTOR You remember your father?

PSYCHOLOGIST

Hardly. It was devastating when his mind started slipping away. He'd just repeat everything verbatim. It's uncanny how preset our brains are when you strip it all away.

DOCTOR

I don't really remember much.

PSYCHOLOGIST What do you remember?

DOCTOR

I remember volunteering for this. I wanted my research to mean something. To influence mankind. They picked only a few of us. Cryosleep was supposed to open doors to space travel, cure diseases, slow aging. Even help us to evolve. This was our chance to unite the world through perfect preservation. The Inventor asked us to imagine the possibilities... (wet eyes)

But then we woke up. And now I'm sick and frozen. So I figured we must have failed.

PSYCHOLOGIST Doctor, I'm sure there is still time--

DOCTOR But something else started happening. And now I'm starting to wonder, maybe there's more to all this than we thought.

62 INT. LABORATORY - DAY - CONTINUOUS

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Biochemist rips the mask off his face. He can't do this.

SQUEEKS.

He turns to find three RATS, huddled together. He rushes over and catches one.

Biochemist places the rat in a TESTING CONTAINER and hurries over to the opened door.

BIOCHEMIST GUYS! I found the rats. I can run the experiments on them. I don't need to go outside--

He turns back. Inside the container are BONES of a rat -- at least five years old and rotting.

63 INT. OFFICE - DAY - CONTINUOUS

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Psychologist leans in. She grabs her notepad.

DOCTOR

This is why I wanted to talk to you. I keep hearing things. Seeing visions. Like I know what's going to happen. We need to leave.

PSYCHOLOGIST (disappointed) Doctor... the engineer told us not to trust the side effects of cryosleep--

DOCTOR No, it's more than that! I'm telling you--

DOCTOR

No, it's more than that. Please. I-I... I thought the experiment was going to work. I didn't think it was going to be like this.

Doctor's eyes close as she starts to CHATTER and convulse.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Doctor?

Doctor suddenly opens her eyes. A look of horror spreads over her as she looks to the door. She SCREAMS.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) What? What is it!

Psychologist looks towards the door. It's closed. She reaches for Doctor, who recoils in fear.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D)

Shh. Just...

Doctor seems to go into a trance. Then --

DOCTOR

(calm) It's time.

A KNOCK on the door.

SOLDIER (O.S.) It's time. Hello?

Soldier sticks his head in and sees Doctor, now asleep.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) Everything okay in here?

PSYCHOLOGISTYes. We'll be right there.

Psychologist is dumbfounded.

64 INT. LOBBY - DAY

Biochemist awkwardly wears the ghetto-made oxygen mask and hazmat suit. Engineer hands him a walkie.

ENGINEER Once out there, report everything. Stay within range.

BIOCHEMIST

Yeah. Okay.

Biochemist GULPS. He makes the lonesome walk up the stairs.

SOLDIER A coward dies a thousand deaths, friend.

The others watch as he UNZIPS the air lock, steps through.

65 INT. AIRLOCK - DAY

Biochemist enters through one door, to face another. This door has a WINDOW with bright sunlight blasting through. He opens it.

66 EXT. LOBBY - DAY - CONTINUOUS

The four others tilt an ear towards their walkie. They listen to the sound of *HEAVY FOOTSTEPS*.

PSYCHOLOGIST He's running.

SOLDIER Kid's afraid of his own shadow. He'd run from anything.

DEEP, SCARED BREATHS. The connection goes DEAD.

ENGINEER HELLO?! Are you still there?

They stare at each other for a moment. It's silent.

PSYCHOLOGIST Did we send him to his death?

Biochemist BURSTS through the airlock -- quick to zip it up behind him. He skips several stairs with each step until he lands in the middle of the scientists.

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ENGINEER What happened out there, big guy?

BIOCHEMIST Don't make me go back out there.

DOCTOR Why, what did you see?

BIOCHEMIST Hot. Unfamiliar. It's not safe.

DOCTOR

The air?

BIOCHEMIST Poison. All of it! The whole world... it's... we're stuck here.

Soldier looks up to the airlock door.

DOCTOR (distressed) No.

BIOCHEMIST I'm sorry. I tried.

He COUGHS, looking for reassurance.

67 INT. ESCAPE LADDER - DAY

Doctor hopelessly looks up at the sunlight beaming down. Biochemist approaches.

BIOCHEMIST

I'm sorry.

DOCTOR I have to get out of here.

68 INT. GAME ROOM - NIGHT

The record player CRIES the same tune as before, only this time it feels lonelier, matching the mood in the room.

PSYCHOLOGIST This isn't right. We should have remembered by now. We're overlooking something. 68

ENGINEER The Inventor will--

SOLDIER The Inventor is dead! There's no one coming for us.

DOCTOR Why am I getting sicker than the rest of you?

ENGINEER Everyone responds differently to cryosleep.

SOLDIER No. So far, only she's responded differently.

PSYCHOLOGIST What?

SOLDIER You did something, didn't you?

ENGINEER What are you talking about?

SOLDIER To her cryo-chamber. To all of us.

ENGINEER There's nothing wrong with her chamber.

BIOCHEMIST How do you know that?

ENGINEER Because, I... I built them.

SOLDIER Then why don't we go have a look?

ENGINEER

No!

SOLDIER What aren't you--

Engineer stands, suddenly seeming bigger than before. Soldier also jumps to his feet, guarded.

ENGINEER Enough! I've heard enough out of you!

PSYCHOLOGIST Would you guys cut it out?! I'm so sick of listening to your egos go at it!

Engineer sits back down. He looks to Doctor, who recoils from him and starts to CRY.

ENGINEER You're right. I'm sorry.

BIOCHEMIST (to Doctor) We're going to figure this out.

Still standing, Soldier sees a SHADOWY FIGURE behind the rest of the group. He blinks hard. The figure is gone.

SOLDIER I'm going to bed.

69 INT. BATHROOM - NIGHT

Psychologist washes her face. She looks at herself in the mirror. She, too, is starting to lose it.

Doctor SOBS from the next room over.

70 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - NIGHT 70

Psychologist lays a PILLOW on the ground, next to the cot. She holds Doctor's hand, comforting her.

More FLASHES from her dreams manifest to Psychologist.

CUT TO:

71 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - NIGHT 71

Psychologist ZIPS up her jumpsuit. Grabs a flashlight. She's ready to go find answers.

72 INT. DARK HALLWAY - NIGHT

Psychologist stops and sees the bloody handprint from before. Only this time, there are dozens of HANDPRINTS.

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73 INT. DARK CORRIDOR - NIGHT

Psychologist shines her flashlight down the long tunnel. She thinks she might see something ... or someone. Maybe not.

She turns and standing behind her is Soldier -- his face is bloody and mangled.

Psychologist drops her flashlight in surprise.

She picks it up and quickly shines the light back on him. Soldier's face is perfectly normal.

He's got the machete perched against his shoulder.

PSYCHOLOGIST Where'd you get that?

SOLDIER

Found it in the tool room. Thought we could use it for protection. What are you doing up?

PSYCHOLOGIST I could ask you the same question.

Soldier steps closer.

SOLDIER

We're being watched. I'm positive this entire place is bugged. Hidden cameras and microphones everywhere.

PSYCHOLOGIST

You'd know something about that. Communications and technology.

SOLDIER

You think you've got everyone figured out. There's more going on here. The engineer knows more than he lets on. The biochemist stalks around when he thinks no one is watching. And the doctor--

PSYCHOLOGIST

Is a sick, dying woman.

SOLDIER

You know what? Let's say the air outside is poison and someone's stuck down here. How do you think their body would respond? 50.

PSYCHOLOGIST Let's not forget about you.

Now it's Psychologist's turn to take a step closer.

SOLDIER What about me?

PSYCHOLOGIST

I know I heard a gunshot that first night. Were you supposed to bring a gun to this experiment? And you can't have an arsenal, which tells me you have what? A few bullets left. Maybe more if you came prepared.

She has said all she's needed to. She begins to leave.

SOLDIER

We all have our secrets. You should be careful.

PSYCHOLOGIST Goodnight, soldier.

FADE OUT.

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SUPER: DAY FOUR

74 INT. OFFICE - DAY

It's time for Engineer's psychoanalysis.

PSYCHOLOGIST Would you state your name to camera?

He shrugs.

ENGINEER I wish I could.

PSYCHOLOGIST (not wasting time) Why is the doctor freezing to death?

ENGINEER Do you ask everyone that? PSYCHOLOGIST Cryo-genesis is causing some anomalous form of hyperthermia and hallucinations. I saw you tampering with her chamber.

Engineer eyes the camera. Psychologists reads the message. She turns off the camera and closes the MONITOR.

Secretly, she re-presses the RECORD button.

ENGINEER

(leaning in) There is a problem with her chamber. There was a power problem that somehow disrupted the physiochemical thawing process.

PSYCHOLOGIST What's happening? Why didn't you say anything?

ENGINEER

I was waiting for the imposter to reveal himself. I mean, somebody is here trying to pick us off. Kill the Inventor.

PSYCHOLOGIST

You seem to think the Inventor is still coming. But there's all that blood.

ENGINEER

It belongs to obviously someone on this team. I mean, the imposter could have disposed of the body and jumped into one of the cryochambers and then woke up with us. It could be the doctor. The Inventor foresaw all of this.

Psychologist recognizes Engineer is starting to lose it.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) And he'll reveal himself when the time is right. So until that time I will act as his voice.

She sits back in her seat. Shocked.

PSYCHOLOGIST You remember a lot about the Inventor. What did he look like? ENGINEER

He, um...

PSYCHOLOGIST Do you know how old he is? His race?

ENGINEER Uhm. The details are...

PSYCHOLOGIST Are you sure the Inventor is even a man?

ENGINEER

It-it...

PSYCHOLOGIST Did you know that the doctor thinks she can see the future now? Maybe cryosleep is taking more than our memories. What if the Inventor lost his way?

Engineer is at a loss for words.

The camcorder DINGS. Engineer looks up; pissed.

He stands and turns the camera off.

ENGINEER The Inventor will return. And he'll tell us who to trust. And he'll take us to a safe haven. Even the ninth sphere.

He storms out. Psychologist considers his words for a moment.

She runs her fingers through a BOOK on memory loss. Her mind is becoming a jumbled mess. Even the words in the book appear to be jumping off the page.

Psychologist sees her notepad from the corner of her eye. Picks it up. She stares at the circled 9.

Viola! She quickly exits her office.

Doctor passes by the office door -- almost as if she was sleepwalking.

75 INT. ESCAPE LADDER - DAY

Doctor begins her climb up the ladder.

76 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

> Psychologist enters as Soldier and Engineer argue next to seven cans of food.

> > PSYCHOLOGIST What's going on?

SOLDIER Someone stole more food.

ENGINEER "Someone" meaning someone here.

PSYCHOLOGIST Whatever. That may not matter now. I have a solution.

SOLDIER Of course you do.

77 INT. ESCAPE LADDER - DAY - CONTINUOUS 77 Doctor nears the top. She reaches for the latch.

78 INT. BOLTED DOOR - DAY

Psychologist holds up her notebook to Engineer and Soldier.

PSYCHOLOGIST Zero, zero, nine. The ninth sphere of heaven. That's what the Inventor always talked about, right?

ENGINEER

Uh-huh.

She dials: 0-0-9. DENIED. One attempt remaining.

PSYCHOLOGIST I thought...

ENGINEER No one touches this pass-lock again.

Soldier kicks the door in a fit of rage.

CUT TO:

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BIOCHEMIST What are you doing?

Doctor spins around. Biochemist has got a hold of her leg.

DOCTOR

I just wanted to see the sun.

BIOCHEMIST

It's poisonous out there, remember? Why don't you come back down here. Where it's safe.

She hesitantly steps down the ladder.

80 INT. KITCHEN - DAY

All five look down at the seven remaining cans.

SOLDIER Anyone care to explain why our food keeps disappearing?

Beat.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) The killer could be trying to starve us out.

ENGINEER Yeah? Is that a military tactic?

SOLDIER (crazed) SOMEONE here is not telling the truth.

PSYCHOLOGIST Please, just calm down.

SOLDIER CALM?! I'm sick of being calm!

Doctor starts to CRY. Soldier hones in on her.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) How sick are you, Doctor? What's your diagnosis? Because I thought sick people don't want to eat. 79

DOCTOR I've been so cold and so hungry.

SOLDIER WE'RE ALL HUNGRY!

BIOCHEMIST Don't yell at her.

ENGINEER Doctor, you're dying. Don't drag us down with you.

Doctor looks for help. No one offers her any.

DOCTOR

I'm sorry.

SOLDIER Sorry is not going to cut it this time.

PSYCHOLOGIST Wait. Let's hear her out.

SOLDIER No! There's no talking your way out of this. Did you eat the food or not?

BIOCHEMIST I did it.

They all turn to look at Biochemist. Doctor thanks him with her eyes. Soldier scowls.

SOLDIER You did what?

He towers over Biochemist, who deflates.

BIOCHEMIST I... saw her eat it. She needed it. She really is sick.

Doctor hangs her head low.

SOLDIER Then I guess that settles it.

Soldier grabs at Doctor.

PSYCHOLOGIST Leave her alone! Can't you see she's suffering? You all need to calm down!

Soldier backs off but it's clear -- he's not thinking straight anymore.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) The key is in our memories! We have to remember.

ENGINEER

This again.

SOLDIER

And what's always keeping you so calm? You don't seem to be afraid of dying down here. How do you always have all the answers? You're telling every single one of us what to do.

The others look at Psychologist accusingly.

ENGINEER

Well?

A crazed fear comes over the Soldier's eyes. Desperation.

SOLDIER No. I am NOT going out like this, I'm not about to starve to death!

Soldier suddenly sees a SHADOWY FIGURE walk down the hallway.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) Stay away from me.

He marches out. Doctor takes a step.

ENGINEER (to Doctor) Where are you going?

DOCTOR To lay down now.

ENGINEER Don't steal from us again.

PSYCHOLOGIST She won't.

Doctor makes her exit.

ENGINEER Sure she will. People never change.

81 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY

Doctor stands in front of her cot, shivering. After a moment, she resigns herself to the cold. She closes her eyes and starts to UNZIP her jumpsuit, slipping it off of her shoulders.

Biochemist follows Doctor into the room.

BIOCHEMIST How are you feeling?

Doctor quickly zips her jumpsuit back up.

82 INT. LOBBY - DAY

The SHADOWY FIGURE moves past the lobby, into the tool room.

SOLDIER

Hey. Hey!

Soldier pursues.

83 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

DOCTOR Why did you sign up for this?

Beat.

BIOCHEMIST I wanted to last. I love the idea of permanence.

Biochemist sits on the other cot.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) I've been doing some of my best work on your cells to try to identify the problem. Unfortunately, prognosis isn't really my field of expertise.

DOCTOR My cells? How did you get my cells? 81

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DOCTOR (CONT'D) Sorry. I probably forgot.

He dodged that bullet.

DOCTOR (CONT'D) Everything's drifting in and out. It's like... there's a tug-of-war going on inside my head... Part of me keeps getting more and more lost, nothing is making any sense... And I am so cold...

Doctor looks vulnerably into Biochemist's eyes. He takes her hand. It's blue and freezing.

BIOCHEMIST Doctor, you hand.

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84 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

Soldier sneaks into the dark tool room, gets out his revolver. A mad look in his eye.

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85 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

DOCTOR We have to move out of the past to remember the future. We have to wake up!

BIOCHEMIST We did wake up, remember? Guys, help! I think she's hallucinating again.

Doctor opens her mouth into a silent scream.

Psychologist and Engineer hurry in.

PSYCHOLOGIST

What is it?

BIOCHEMIST I don't know. She just started rambling off nonsense. Biochemist spins back to Doctor, but she's passed out.

86 INT. OFFICE - DAY

Psychologist grabs her notepad, glaring at the 9 inside of a circle.

PSYCHOLOGIST This isn't the ninth sphere of heaven.

She pulls back out the book, Divine Comedy. In the index she finds the page number for INFERNO.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) It's the ninth circle of hell.

She opens to the page.

A 4x6 PHOTOGRAPH falls from the book. The page she's on shows: the NINTH CIRCLE OF HELL and a picture of THE FROZEN LAKE.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) The frozen lake.

Psychologist picks up the photograph. Her eyes widen.

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There are five bodies in the photograph. Four fresh-faced scientists in their corresponding-numbered jumpsuits smiling with their arms around each other. The fifth body's number reads 004 but the face of the occupant has been ripped out.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) Guys... Hey, guys!

They look down the hallway.

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87 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Soldier treads cautiously. He knows he's not alone.

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88 INT. OFFICE - DAY

Biochemist and Engineer examine the photograph.

ENGINEER Where is he now?

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89 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Soldier sees movement. He opens fire five TIMES. A mirror SHATTERS into pieces.

He blinks heavily. No one is there. He fired at his own reflection. What just happened?

He pockets his weapon and steps back out into the lobby.

90 INT. HALLWAY - DAY

Engineer rushes Soldier, pushing him into a wall.

SOLDIER What are you doing?

ENGINEER I want the truth. Who are you?

SOLDIER

What?

Engineer pushes away. He pins the photograph to Soldier's chest.

ENGINEER What did you do with the real number four?

SOLDIER I don't know what the hell you are talking about.

Soldier backs up.

ENGINEER

Come here!

Soldier raises the revolver to Engineer's face.

SOLDIER

Back. Off.

ENGINEER I knew it! I knew it was you!

PSYCHOLOGIST Where did you get a gun?

SOLDIER It was next to my cryo-chamber when I woke up.

PSYCHOLOGIST Who are you?

SOLDIER

I'm a military communications and defense specialist, which is why I have a gun. Here testing cryosleep, same as you.

ENGINEER Hand over the gun and we'll see.

SOLDIER No way. You're not laying a finger on me.

ENGINEER What did you do to the Inventor?

SOLDIER I've never seen your ridiculous Inventor! If he's even real.

ENGINEER He's as real as any of us.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Soldier--

SOLDIER I am who I say I am. From now on, stay away from me.

Soldier slowly backs out of the space. The others stay where they are.

91 INT. COMMON ROOM - NIGHT

Psychologist, Engineer, and Biochemist discuss their options.

ENGINEER

We have to lock him outside unless he hands over the gun, and what he did with the Inventor.

PSYCHOLOGIST But that would kill him.

BIOCHEMIST I don't think that's a good idea.

ENGINEER Why the hell not? The air will kill him, right?

BIOCHEMIST There's still a slight chance he could get back in. Unless we're 100% certain that he--

ENGINEER Enough! It's a risk we'll have to take.

PSYCHOLOGIST Maybe we can talk to him.

ENGINEER Are you kidding? The guy's a loose cannon. No, reasoning with him is over.

Engineer blinks heavily ... slightly unhinged. Doctor wanders into the room swaddled in a blanket.

DOCTOR (faint) Wait.

She collapses to the floor. The group springs to her aid, then look at one another. This is the worst they've seen her.

92 INT. TOOL ROOM - NIGHT

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Soldier sits ... waiting in the dark. Biochemist creeps inside with a flashlight. Soldier jumps to his feet.

BIOCHEMIST Wait, wait! Please! I need your help.

SOLDIER What do you want? BIOCHEMIST It's the doctor. She's had a seizure, she needs electroconvulsive therapy. You could make something for that, right?

SOLDIER I thought I was the bad guy?

BIOCHEMIST The others seem to think so.

Beat.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) They're going to try and take your gun.

Soldier thinks.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) If you help me, you can prove your innocence.

SOLDIER Where is she?

BIOCHEMIST I'll show you.

93 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

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Soldier follows behind Biochemist. They pass an opened door.

Engineer lunges from the room and wraps a ROPE around Soldier's neck.

ENGINEER

GO!

Soldier begins whaling on Engineer. Biochemist grabs Soldier by the legs. Soldier squirms.

94 INT. EMPTY ROOM - NIGHT

Engineer and Biochemist do everything they can to hold the Soldier in a chair as Psychologist stands by watching.

SOLDIER

HELP! HELP!

Biochemist has to use all of his weight to keep Soldier down. Engineer pats Soldier's pockets.

ENGINEER Come on, hurry!

Engineer looks to Psychologist.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) Go find the gun.

Biochemist ties Soldier's hands behind his back. Then his chest to the chair. Engineer releases his lock on Soldier's throat.

Soldier kicks Biochemist away from him. Engineer punches the struggling man in the jaw.

Soldier SCREAMS wildly, banging his head against the wall next to him. Biochemist can no longer hold him -- he starts to escape.

SOLDIER

UNTIE ME!

Engineer grabs a flashlight and CLONKS Soldier in the head.

CUT TO BLACK.

95 INT. EMPTY ROOM - NIGHT

FADE IN:

Soldier wakes. BLOOD tricking down his head. He's tied down with the rope. A BRIGHT LIGHT blinding him.

ENGINEER Where's the gun?

Soldier offers a smirk. He'll never tell. Engineer raises the flashlight to Soldier's chin.

96 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

CAMCORDER FOOTAGE:

Psychologist sits into frame. She talks directly to camera.

PSYCHOLOGIST Self analysis. Today is day four since waking from cryosleep. (MORE) 95

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) I'm a psychologist, but I don't remember much. Images mostly. My dad's dementia, climbing into a cryo-chamber. I still don't know own my name. I need to remember. (rubs her eyes) After getting sick, our doctor voiced concern that this whole experiment was a failure. I'm worried she may be right. I'm developing similar symptoms now. Visions, hallucinations. But she said something that I can't shake. That maybe there's more to this than we thought. I don't know if we're doing the right thing. But I believe the answers lie in our memories.

97 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - NIGHT 97 Doctor's eyes are closed but she's clearly awake. She flinches every time she hears Soldier's YELPS from torture.

Biochemist watches her from the hallway outside.

98 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

Psychologist is curled up in her office, alone, listening to the *SCREAMS* of the Soldier. Tears roll down her cheeks. On her notepad, she scrawls: a 9 within a CIRCLE.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY FIVE

99 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY

Psychologist slips into the dark room. Soldier hangs his head, exhausted. Beaten and bruised.

PSYCHOLOGIST Are you alright? I didn't know--

SOLDIER You were right. We should have stayed calm.

PSYCHOLOGIST I didn't know. 99

Psychologist isn't sure what to say. They hear FOOTSTEPS.

SOLDIER (CONT'D) You better go.

100 INT. WOMEN'S BUNK ROOM - DAY

Biochemist hovers next to the unconscious Doctor.

BIOCHEMIST

Doctor?

She doesn't respond. He takes her hand, starts to stroke it. He leans in and plants a soft kiss on her lips.

> PSYCHOLOGIST (O.S.) What are you doing?

Surprised, Biochemist WHIRLS around.

BIOCHEMIST I'm just... listening. For a heartbeat. She won't wake.

Psychologist rushes over and shakes Doctor.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Doctor.

No response.

101 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY

101

Doctor's cold, motionless body lies on the gurney.

ENGINEER The Inventor would've known what to do.

PSYCHOLOGIST So he really is gone, then?

BIOCHEMIST It's like her body wants to stay frozen.

Engineer tries to think of something to say.

Biochemist leans in close.

BIOCHEMIST Wait a minute. Yes. Yes, that could work actually.

PSYCHOLOGIST

What?

BIOCHEMIST What's killing her could be the very thing that can save her. They're supposed to heal you, right?

PSYCHOLOGIST What are you suggesting? That we put her back in?

ENGINEER Hm. It will at least stop whatever's happening, give her more time. May even be like hitting a reset button.

BIOCHEMIST

(to himself) The only sure chance of survival.

ENGINEER The Inventor's still sharing his gift with us. We better go check on our little friend.

102 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY

Engineer enters the room with the machete. Biochemist and Psychologist are close on his heels.

Engineer stops, surprised.

ENGINEER

What the--

Soldier, untying his final hand, is seconds from escaping. He sees them and lifts the chair, using it as a shield.

SOLDIER Stay back! I don't want trouble. PSYCHOLOGIST What do you want?

SOLDIER I just want out of here.

ENGINEER

Then let's get you out of here.

Soldier is surprised. Cautiously, he makes his way out of the room. Followed by Engineer and the others.

103 INT. LOBBY - DAY

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Engineer notions to the stairs. Soldier gives a hard look.

ENGINEER Go on. Leave.

PSYCHOLOGIST

What?

ENGINEER You want out of here, there's the door.

Engineer takes a few steps forward, forcing Soldier up the stairs.

PSYCHOLOGIST He'll die out there.

ENGINEER Better than him killing us in our sleep.

Biochemist panics.

ENGINEER (CONT'D)

GO ON!

Soldier reaches the airlock door.

PSYCHOLOGIST Just tell us where the gun is! We can work something out.

ENGINEER I've got it worked out. He leaves now. Or he comes down here and I chop him to pieces. Engineer uses the machete to push Psychologist back.

SOLDIER It's okay. I'll take my chances. (to Biochemist) People are predictable.

Soldier UNZIPS the airlock and steps through the veil.

104 INT. GAME ROOM - DAY

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Engineer settles in. He's finally at peace -- setting the machete on the board game.

PSYCHOLOGIST Why did you do that?

ENGINEER (rhetorical) Why did I save our lives?

BIOCHEMIST

Guys.

PSYCHOLOGIST You killed him.

BIOCHEMIST GUYS. The doctor.

Engineer almost forgot what they still need to do.

He's the first to leave, then Psychologist. Lagging and last to leave, Biochemist.

105 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 005 - DAY

Engineer nods his head. Psychologist closes the cryo-chamber over Doctor. Biochemist stares, fascinated by her.

Psychologist presses the start button and Doctor freezes into cryosleep.

106 INT. BOLTED DOOR - DAY

Engineer slams himself against the freezer door. He tries prying it open with a WRENCH, then slams the door with it. Nothing.

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107 INT. GAME ROOM - DAY

The machete is GONE.

ENGINEER The machete! I left it right here.

PSYCHOLOGIST None of us took it. We've been together all morning.

ENGINEER Someone had to.

BIOCHEMIST Wait! What does that mean then?

PSYCHOLOGIST The soldier.

ENGINEER Impossible. The air is toxic. The soldier is dead, right? Right?!

BIOCHEMIST Yes, the air is toxic.

ENGINEER It had to be someone else.

PSYCHOLOGIST But what about everything with the photograph and the missing number?

ENGINEER A red herring. One of you two aren't who you say you are.

BIOCHEMIST Wait a second, the same could be true of you!

PSYCHOLOGIST We forced an innocent man to his death?!

ENGINEER No. He was still guilty. Just like one of you.

BIOCHEMIST Hold on. There's still the option that someone else is down here.

ENGINEER Alright. From now on, we all stick together. No one goes anywhere alone.

108 INT. COMMON ROOM - NIGHT

Engineer has manned one corner, with his flashlight. Biochemist in his corner, with the lead pipe from the power room. And Psychologist in her corner, toting the wrench.

For rest of the night, they all keep a worried eye on each other.

Psychologist drifts to sleep.

109 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - NIGHT

Psychologist DREAMS. She sees the faces of the all the OTHERS asleep in cryo. She climbs into her own cryo-chamber.

OLD MAN (V.O.) It will be as though you've passed through a veil of forgetfulness. You must remember.

Freezing water rushes over her.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY SIX

110 INT. COMMON ROOM - DAY

Psychologist opens her eyes. She looks around. Engineer and Biochemist sit in their corners -- bags deeply formed under their eyes.

ENGINEER I see no one has killed each other. Yet.

BIOCHEMIST Because none of us are killers.

PSYCHOLOGIST

I remember.

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BIOCHEMIST

Your name?

PSYCHOLOGIST No. The test. This whole experiment. It's not what we thought it was.

BIOCHEMIST It's happening to her too. You sure you're feeling okay?

PSYCHOLOGIST Shut up and listen to me! This test was never to see if cryo-sleep works.

ENGINEER What are you talking about? Of course it is.

PSYCHOLOGIST No. This experiment was meant for us. To test our memories.

ENGINEER You've been saying this from the start.

PSYCHOLOGIST And now I know why. Because that was our objective.

ENGINEER That's not right. That's not at all what the Inventor--

PSYCHOLOGIST That's not what we were told, I know.

BIOCHEMIST

Why would someone want to test our memories?

PSYCHOLOGIST Because cryosleep is worthless if you don't know who you are when you wake up.

ENGINEER That's not possible! There was a plan. (MORE)

ENGINEER (CONT'D)

I helped build those cryo-chambers, the Inventor was my friend. He wouldn't have lied to me. Made me into some kind of lab rat!

PSYCHOLOGIST

Then why aren't our memories coming back?

ENGINEER

I don't know.

BIOCHEMIST

Maybe she's right. When brain cells don't receive enough oxygen, memory breaks down and fails.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Think about it... we all wake up at the same time? The microphone you found, we're being recorded. Studied.

ENGINEER

I don't believe that.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Alright, well, maybe everyone's dead. Or maybe we're being hunted. But right now it's all we've got.

BIOCHEMIST

And how do you propose we bootstrap memory?

They pause and think for a moment.

PSYCHOLOGIST You said oxygen was the problem. Could it also be the solution?

111 INT. LABORATORY - DAY

The group assembles around the oxygen tanks.

BIOCHEMIST

We can try to re-pressurize the air flow. In theory if we shoot enough oxygen into the cerebrum it essentially flushes out the bad with the good. It jump-starts our brains. But it's risky. ENGINEER No one is jump-starting my brain.

PSYCHOLOGIST You want your memories back, don't you?

ENGINEER Not if it means I'm going to die.

PSYCHOLOGIST If we don't, we'll die anyway.

ENGINEER (CONSIDERS) Then let's hope this idea of yours works.

Engineer and Biochemist work on altering the oxygen tanks.

112 EXT. LOBBY - NIGHT

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Psychologist looks at the airlock. The poor soldier. She steps closer to it. Engineer grabs her shoulder and yanks her around.

ENGINEER What are you doing?

PSYCHOLOGIST I was... nothing.

ENGINEER

It's ready.

She nods.

113 INT. LABORATORY ROOM - NIGHT

They stare at their oxygen tanks and mask, now strapped to a CHAIR. Engineer offers a look of trust to Psychologist.

ENGINEER I'm assuming you want me to do it. (no reply) Fine.

He straps the device to this head.

PSYCHOLOGIST

You okay?

ENGINEER

Yeah.

BIOCHEMIST Alright, I'm going to begin the flow of oxygen.

Biochemist cranks the nob of the tank. Air WHISTLES through the tube into Engineer's mask. It's uncomfortable but he seems unfazed.

PSYCHOLOGIST

Anything?

Engineer shakes his head.

BIOCHEMIST Okay, I'm going to increase the pressure.

Biochemist turns the knob more. The air increases. Engineer cocks his head. It's discomforting.

ENGINEER

All the way.

BIOCHEMIST

You sure.

ENGINEER

Do it.

Biochemist releases all of the pressure. It BLASTS into the Engineer's skull. He stands and backs into a wall, cupping his temples, *GROANING*.

PSYCHOLOGIST Stop it. Turn it off.

Before Biochemist can turn the airflow off, Engineer slams the device against the wall -- the man and the device drop to the floor.

Biochemist rushes over.

BIOCHEMIST Hey, are you alright?

ENGINEER It didn't work. The doctor. I'm sorry. I was careless. It is my fault. If she leaves that chamber, she'll die. I'm sorry. I didn't want to remember. He drifts out of consciousness.

BIOCHEMIST

Hey, are you okay?

Biochemist shakes the him. Engineer's eyes POP open.

He grabs Biochemist by the throat and hurls him against the wall.

ENGINEER Where is she?!

Biochemist looks to Psychologist who watches in horror. Engineer drops the Biochemist and turns to Psychologist.

> PSYCHOLOGIST What are you doing?

Engineer blinks heavy, periodically convulsing his head as if shaking a horrible thought from his mind.

ENGINEER What are we still doing here?

PSYCHOLOGIST What do you mean?

ENGINEER You little bitch! Why did you let this happen?!

Engineer is confused. Anger grows in his eyes. Psychologist cowers as he stomps towards her. She dashes out of the room. Engineer blunders behind.

Biochemist is left, hiding in the corner.

114 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 001 - NIGHT

Psychologist BLOCKS the door and tucks behind the cryochamber. She can hear CRAZED HOWLS drawing nearer.

The door BURSTS open. Engineer steps into the room. He teasingly paces by the cryo-chamber.

ENGINEER This merry-go-round ends now.

Psychologist crawls backwards, the jig is up. She has nowhere to run.

He's about to pounce on her but Soldier runs out of the shadows and slams him into the wall.

ENGINEER (CONT'D)

You?!

SOLDIER Open the chamber. Quick!

Psychologist stumbles but manages to her feet. She opens the empty cryo-chamber door.

Engineer head butts Soldier, who stumbles back. Psychologist attempts to restrain Engineer, but he latches onto her by the neck and bangs her head against the wall.

ENGINEER

Why?

Soldier musters his strength -- grabbing and spinning Engineer around. The momentum launches Engineer into the cryochamber. Soldier puts his weight on Engineer, holding him in place.

> ENGINEER (CONT'D) No, NO! Don't do this! We're lab rats, this is what they want! I remember now!

Soldier steps away and slams the door shut, trapping Engineer inside.

ENGINEER (CONT'D) No, listen to me! You don't understand. It's all a lie! No, no more! PLEASE!

Soldier presses the start button and Engineer freezes into cryosleep.

Soldier turns to the delirious Psychologist. He scoops her up and carries her to...

115 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY

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Soldier looks around. They're alone. He sets her down. Psychologist's vision is coming back to her.

PSYCHOLOGIST You're alive? PSYCHOLOGIST

The air...

SOLDIER The air outside is fine.

The Soldier stands.

PSYCHOLOGIST But that would mean--

SWOOSH, THUNK.

Soldier drops onto the floor -- REVEALING Biochemist with the machete. Soldier's blood dripping off of it.

CUT TO:

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116 EXT. MOUNTAINS - DAY

FLASHBACK:

Biochemist steps outside the airlock door. The vegetation is thriving. Birds fly by overhead.

Biochemist looks back to the airlock.

BACK TO:

117 INT. EMPTY ROOM - DAY - CONTINUOUS

Psychologist tries to help Soldier.

BIOCHEMIST Don't you see? This is the only way the doctor survives.

PSYCHOLOGIST He was going to save her! Quick, grab medical supplies!

BIOCHEMIST No. I'm done being a pawn. I decide what happens to the doctor now.

Psychologist gets to her feet.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) She's beautiful in there. Safe. Perfectly preserved.

PSYCHOLOGIST You're out of your mind!

BIOCHEMIST Maybe we should have figured that out during my psychoanalysis.

Biochemist maniacally swings the machete.

Psychologist acts quickly. She dodges right past the Biochemist and runs down the hallway. Biochemist chases after her.

118 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

As Psychologist scurries through the building. About to dash into the common room, she sees Biochemist at the end of the room. He dashes toward her. She jumps out of the way to the right, but he runs right by her. What?

She sees Biochemist at the end of the room AGAIN. He dashes toward her AGAIN. Confused, she runs left instead. He goes right.

She hears him behind her. She runs toward the tool room, but deliberately stops and takes a different direction.

119 INT. EMPTY ROOM - NIGHT

She sneaks back into the empty room. SUDDENLY -- the power GOES OUT. Red EMERGENCY LIGHTS kick on.

Psychologist kneels beside the incoherent Soldier. HOWLS from Biochemist ring throughout the building.

PSYCHOLOGIST Don't worry. I'm gonna get you out of here.

SOLDIER No you're not.

She searches his pockets.

PSYCHOLOGIST The gun?! Where's the gun? Please! I need to know, where is the gun? 118

SOLDIER Go to hell.

Soldier smiles softly. Huh? Then she figures it out.

BIOCHEMIST (0.S.) I thought I'd find you here.

Psychologist SPOOKS.

Psychologist closes the door -- locking her and Soldier inside.

Biochemist tugs on the door. No success.

He chops the machete against the door. CLUNK!

And again. CLUNK!

THUD! The machete lodges into the wooden door. Biochemist yanks at it but doesn't have the strength to pull it out.

This is her chance. Psychologist plows through the door, knocking Biochemist over. She scurries out of the room.

Biochemist pursues. Leaving the machete wedged into the wooden door.

120 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

Psychologist charges into her office and slams the door. She can hear Biochemist catching up with her from down the hallway.

She scrambles to the books. She reaches behind Divine Comedy when...

The door BURSTS open.

Psychologist spins around, aiming the revolver at Biochemist.

PSYCHOLOGIST Stay back!

BIOCHEMIST Wait, wait! Stop, stop!

Biochemist surrenders. Psychologist is both relieved and disgusted by his cowardice.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) Fine. You win. You can have the doctor. Just leave me in peace. Biochemist UNZIPS his jumpsuit. Psychologist tightens her grip on the gun.

BIOCHEMIST (CONT'D) (laughs) Don't worry.

Biochemist shifts out of the room. Psychologist is baffled. She cautiously follows him.

121 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 003 - NIGHT

Biochemist strips and climbs into his empty cryo-chamber. Psychologist watches, baffled.

Biochemist smiles weakly.

BIOCHEMIST I've thought it all out. There were just too many variables. This is the only sure chance of survival. 100%.

He presses the start button. Biochemist freezes into cryosleep.

Psychologist opens the revolver. The gun is empty. She pockets it.

122 INT. EMPTY ROOM - NIGHT

Psychologists comes to Soldier's side. He COUGHS violently.

PSYCHOLOGIST You're dying.

SOLDIER We all die.

PSYCHOLOGIST No. You don't.

Soldier blinks slowly. Blood oozing out of his wound.

She jumps to her feet and drags him, smearing a trail of blood across the floor into...

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123 INT. DARK HALLWAY - NIGHT

As Psychologist carries Soldier, her hand presses against the wall. Leaving behind a BLOODY HANDPRINT. It's the only one on the wall.

124 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 004 - NIGHT

Psychologist quickly pulls Soldier out of his jumpsuit and tosses it to the side. We see that it has the number 004 stitched into it. She heaves him into his cryo-chamber.

Other than the machete wound and burn mark, there's not a scar on his body.

PSYCHOLOGIST I'm truly sorry.

Soldier closes his eyes. She shuts the door and presses start. He freezes, sealing his wound.

Psychologist looks around. She's the only one left. She falls to her knees into a CRY.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D)

I failed.

She stops.

Dried blood all over her hands, she plucks the photograph from her pocket. It's the photo of the group, only now it's WHOLE. And the missing face belongs to our Soldier.

She stands up. Exits. Leaving the gun next to his chamber.

125 INT. LOBBY - NIGHT

Psychologist stares up at the airlock. She moves toward it, but turns, pulled by the mystery of the bolted door.

126 INT. BOLTED DOOR - NIGHT

Psychologist slowly approaches the sealed door. She types in a three digit code: 0-0-2. The light flashes green and the door unlocks.

She opens it.

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Psychologist takes in a room stock-piled with years worth of FOOD, MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, OXYGEN CANNISTERS, AN ADDITIONAL POWER GENERATOR, etc. She sees SCREENS and SPEAKERS -- recordings of the team in bunker.

In the center of the room rests a SIXTH CRYO-CHAMBER, marked: 000.

Psychologist presses a button and the pressure releases. A man, the Old Man, the INVENTOR tumbles out.

PSYCHOLOGIST I remember. I remember.

Psychologist races to place a blanket over the Inventor's naked body.

PSYCHOLOGIST (CONT'D) Dad! It's me.

The Inventor looks up with faint recognition at his daughter. He smiles.

INVENTOR Yes. Yes, it's you. I know. I remember. My memories-- it worked, didn't it?

The Inventor now sits up, his strength returning to him. He strokes her cheek.

INVENTOR (CONT'D) We need to make absolutely sure before the next test. One with a larger sample size.

PSYCHOLOGIST The next test?

The Inventor stands.

INVENTOR

Yes. I've assembled a team with everything you'll need. They should be in their chambers now. I had to be certain that my mind has returned.

PSYCHOLOGIST No, Dad, we already performed the--

INVENTOR If not, I'll shut off their chambers.

PSYCHOLOGIST That will kill them.

INVENTOR Yes, it will. Better that they die than dwindle on. Are you ready to begin?

Despair and realization falls over the Psychologist's face.

128 INT. DINING ROOM - NIGHT

She sits across a table from her father. Between them is a delicious dinner. He smiles and raises a glass.

Psychologist enjoys the fresh food.

She thinks about all that she's endured. Psychologist stands up, walks over to the Inventor, and hugs him.

129 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

Psychologist is recording her father.

INVENTOR

They are preserved for a wise purpose, which purpose is known unto God, and his course is one eternal round.

PSYCHOLOGIST Who are you?

INVENTOR The Inventor of cryogenic preservation.

PSYCHOLOGIST What are you doing here?

INVENTOR Observing the effects of my creation. To see that it's fit for the world.

PSYCHOLOGIST Tell me a story about yourself. 129

INVENTOR

Do you know the first bible story I heard as a boy? It was Lazarus, raised from the dead. After that I always wished I could bring mother back. Of course, it never happened. But I'll always remember those first embers of hope... that maybe someone could...

PSYCHOLOGIST

Good. And what are--

INVENTOR

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PSYCHOLOGIST Good. Okay. Let's just start with the basics.

INVENTOR

(struggling) Do you know the first bible story I heard as a boy? It was Lazarus, raised from the dead. After that I always wished I could bring mother back. Of course, it never happened. But I'll always remember those first dying embers of hope... that maybe someone could...

Psychologist puts her head in her hands. He is still lost to his dementia.

INVENTOR (CONT'D) Do you know the first bible story I heard as a boy...

She grabs the camcorder and rushes out as he repeats the story again.

130 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

She points the camera at herself.

PSYCHOLOGIST If you are watching this, you should know, the experiment... it didn't work--

The camcorder's tape hits an end of its reel. It stops recording. She starts to SOB.

On the camera's monitor reads a message: TAPE FULL REWIND TO BEGINNING? YES NO

She presses YES. The tape rewinds to the beginning. It begins to play.

A taping of herself appears on screen.

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK If you are watching this, you should know, the experiment didn't work. So I'm going to try again.

Psychologist's eyes grow in horror.

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (CONT'D) I can't let the team die. Not yet. I can still make it work. I can still cure my dad. I can still remember. But I'm going to take a few precautions. It's entirely possible this next time, that things and events will unfold in a similar manner.

CUT TO:

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131 INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

Soldier shoots at his reflection in the mirror. Leaving shattered pieces of GLASS on the ground to be found in the next go-around.

BACK TO:

132 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK People are always making the same choices.

CUT TO:

133 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY 133 Doctor tends to Soldier's electrocution burn on his back. CUT TO: 134 INT. POWER ROOM - DAY 134 Soldier gets electrocuted on his chest by the wires. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) The same mistakes. CUT TO: 135 INT. TIGHT PASSAGEWAY - DAY 135 The scientists help Soldier through the tight space. The burn mark is on his chest. CUT TO:

136 INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY 136

WE SEE all of the aging scars across Soldier's body.

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) Like they're just prewired like that.

CUT TO:

137 INT. OFFICE - DAY 137 Soldier is being interviewed on the camcorder.

> SOLDIER Why are we doing this again?

> > CUT TO:

138 INT. OFFICE - DAY 138

Soldier is being interviewed on the camcorder ... Only this time is from a different timeline.

SOLDIER Why are we doing this again?

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| 139 | INT. OFFICE - DAY | | | 139 |
| | And another timeline. | | | |
| | SOLDIER Why are we doing this again? | | | |
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| 140 | INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS | | | 140 |
| | The PLAYBACK continues. | | | |
| | PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK The biochemist and the engineer tried to kill me tonight. | | | |
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| 141 | INT. EMPTY ROOM - NIGHT | | | 141 |
| | Biochemist swings the machete at Psychologist. | | | |
| | | CUT | то: | |
| 142 | INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 001 - NIGHT | | | 142 |
| | Engineer has Psychologist cornered. | | | |
| | ENGINEER This merry-go-round ends now. | | | |
| | | CUT | то: | |
| 143 | INT. LOBBY - NIGHT | | | 143 |
| | Soldier sees a SHADOWY FIGURE run off. He pursues | • | | |
| | PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O If things aren't drastically different. We could be left chasing our own shadows. | •) | | |

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) But a few things have changed. The soldier is out of bullets.

CUT TO:

145 INT. COMMON ROOM - NIGHT 145 The group is gathered around on the first night they awoke. ENGINEER We heard a gunshot. CUT TO: 146 INT. HALLWAY - DAY 146

Soldier pulls his gun on Engineer.

INT. TOOL ROOM - DAY

the chamber.

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) He was never supposed to bring a qun to this experiment. So he won't have ammunition next time.

CUT TO:

147 INT. COMMON ROOM - DAY Engineer lingers near Psychologist.

> ENGINEER You heard a qunshot?

> > CUT TO:

148 INT. COMMON ROOM - DAY

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Engineer has just handed out the flashlights. Psychologist shines her light at Soldier. He's wearing a jumpsuit with 004 stitched onto it -- underscored with gold.

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soldier. CUT TO: INT. EXAMINATION ROOM - DAY PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) So that the others will still suspect him. CUT TO: INT. LOBBY - DAY Engineer forces Soldier up the stairs to the airlock. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) They'll drive him away. CUT TO: INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 001 - NIGHT Soldier attacks Engineer to save Psychologist. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) So he can be in the right place, at the right time, to come back and save me again.

CUT TO:

152 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

> Psychologist is unstitching the numbers from Soldier's jumpsuit.

> > PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) T need a failsafe.

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Doctor notices the missing numbers on Soldier's jumpsuit.

I have no choice but to frame the

PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.)

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153 INT. OFFICE - NIGHT 153 Psychologist tears out the face of the Soldier from the ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPH. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) But I'll do my best to remember. She places it in the pages of Divine Comedy and leaves it next to the notebook containing the CIRCLE with a 9 inside of it. BACK TO: 154 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS 154 PLAYBACK continues. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK Don't worry, Dad. CUT TO: 155 INT. DARK HALLWAY - NIGHT 155 The wall is covered in bloody handprints. PSYCHOLOGIST - PLAYBACK (V.O.) I'll fix it this time. BACK TO: 156 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS 156 Psychologist doesn't believe what she just saw. She closes the camera. CRIES. 157 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 004 - NIGHT 157 Psychologist looks over Soldier's cryo-chamber. He is frozen inside. PSYCHOLOGIST I'm sorry. I'm so sorry, but I'd rather live through it again than live with it. The Inventor steps in. Puts a hand on her shoulder.

He escorts her out of the room...

158 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - NIGHT

And into her chamber room.

She strips down and climbs into her own cryo-chamber as though it were a coffin.

INVENTOR It will be as though you've passed through a veil of forgetfulness. Remember. You must remember.

Freezing water rushes over her.

PSYCHOLOGIST (to herself) I don't want to.

INVENTOR And God caused a great sleep to fall upon them.

He closes her cryo-chamber. Through her window, she can see the blurry, yet smiling face of the Inventor.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: DAY SEVEN

159 INT. BUILDING - DAY - MONTAGE

The Inventor, repping BLACK GLOVES, spends the day resetting everything for the next experiment -- using his endless amounts of supplies.

-- He restores the camcorder to its original position. Rewinding the tape to the beginning.

-- He places Divine Comedy back on the bookshelf.

-- He positions the walkies in the tool room.

-- He organizes the Doctor's TOOLS in the examination room.

-- He puts the oxygen tanks where they belong, refills them with oxygen.

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-- He restocks the shelves with cans of oatmeal.

-- He places the microphone back in its place in Doctor's cryo-chamber.

-- He closes the airlock that was left open from Soldier's return.

END OF MONTAGE

160 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - NIGHT 160

The Inventor hovers over Psychologist's cryo-chamber. He presses a button that opens hers chamber door.

He walks out of the room.

161 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 000 - NIGHT 161

The Inventor enters his secret chamber room and locks the massive door shut. He climbs into his own cryo-chamber. Cold water rushes over him.

162 INT. CHAMBER ROOM: 002 - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS 162

BLUE LIGHT. Steam spills out of a HUMMING MACHINE -- a metal sarcophagus.

The top CRACKS open, releasing its built-up pressure. Psychologist reaches out from the cryo-chamber, shivering, wet, and naked.

CUT TO BLACK.

THE END.