

GUMP

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[*Knock at door*]

JERRY

Yes Come in.

MR. GRISSOM

Hello.

JERRY

Mr.Grissom how are you?

MR. GRISSOM

Jerry have a seat come on in what can I do you for?

JERRY

Well I - ah - I called you into my office actually - ah -

MR. GRISSOM

Okay.

JERRY

Well its not often we get the higher ups comin' to the second floor is it?

MR. GRISSOM

Well I like to come down and see what the lowers are doing.

JERRY

Yeah, um - Mr. Grissom I don't know if you remember a couple weeks ago we had you take a - ah - standard psyche test for the insurance companies.

MR. GRISSOM

HmmmHmm - I remember.

JERRY

This had an I.Q. portion to it - some judgment questions.

MR. GRISSOM

I'm tracking with you.

JERRY

Well some of the results we got back were a little - surprising.

numbers: 2, 4, 6, Blank”.

MR. GRISSOM
Mm. Good.

JERRY

For your answer you drew a picture of a snowman, you wrote, “happy, happy foot time”.
That - That would be an incorrect answer.

MR. GRISSOM

Are you sure about that Jerry, have you checked the answer key?

JERRY

I don't need to check the answer key Mr. Grissom this is simple -

~~MR. GRISSOM~~

~~Well I've checked a lot of answer keys in my time (Overlapping)~~

~~JERRY~~

~~This is a sequence of positive numbers (overlapping)~~

MR. GRISSOM

Jerry I'm a vice president - These are forty dollar socks! ~~Just check the key eh?~~

~~JERRY~~

~~Mr. Grissom the key is right here. The answer is 8. It's not "Foot time".~~

~~MR. GRISSOM~~

~~Well not quite - no. Lets not get ahead of ourselves Jerry.~~

Never the less,

JERRY

Mr. Grissom according ~~to~~ these test results you have no sense of “object permanence”.
This was a basic thing we established when we were six months to a year old-

MR. GRISSOM

Good.

JERRY

-That allows us to understand that when your parents leave they're not gone forever, and
when an object goes behind another object it still exists - well I can just show you right
now (*Hides behind a paper*)

MR. GRISSOM

Jerry?...JERRY? Well

[Jerry puts the paper down]

where the hell were you?! I'm sitting here talking to myself Jerry. I'm a busy man.

JERRY

Mr. Grissom you're twenty nine years old and just basically played peek-a-boo.

MR. GRISSOM

Well I didn't enjoy it. And that reflects on you Jerry.

JERRY

How does that reflect on me?

MR. GRISSOM

It wouldn't look good in a report.

JERRY

It's going to be in a report that you didn't enjoy my peek-a-boo?!

Mr. Grissom do you understand these results? These are serious, serious results -

you are retarded

~~MR. GRISSOM~~

~~Jerry, Jerry, Jerry I understand guy. You gotta learn to settle down a little bit. Learn to relax. Hit the links, that's what I do Jerry. I tell you, get up there with your one iron, crush a few up to the front fringe. I tell ya - Golf. Jerry - golf.~~

JERRY

~~Fella you're retarded.~~

MR. GRISSOM

Alright - okay, I think I see the problem here Jerry, you're using the word wrong.

JERRY

What do ya -

MR. GRISSOM

When you say retarded - don't you in fact mean - "go getter"?

JERRY

Mr. Grissom "go getter is not a synonym for retarded. When you see someone who's working hard, trying to get ahead in life you don't say, "hey look at him, he's retarded."

MR. GRISSOM

Well Jerry my friend I think that depends on how you define "synonym".

JERRY

Mr. Grissom you have the mentality of a raccoon.

MR. GRISSOM

Good.

JERRY

I'm concerned that you can even feed and clean yourself.

MR. GRISSOM

Oh that reminds me. I gotta get up stairs and have lunch outta the roundy -roundy - tupper wear.

JERRY

I don't know what that is.

~~MR. GRISSOM~~

~~The roundy - roundy - Tupper wear. Jerry with the - ah - lunch inside. You gotta pry this - you gotta Rrrr - you gotta - oh boy. Tricky stuff - tupper wear - I tell ya I'd like to see a raccoon pry the lid off a container and get food out of it. Jerry let's not forget who's in charge. Let's not forget who's V. P. I mean I've seen Les Miz. And you know I don't wanna threaten anyone. Threatening people is not my bag. But I can crush you. Crush you like a cloud.~~

~~JERRY~~

~~Okay Mr. Grissom fine. You don't see the importance as to what I've told you here - that's okay with me. Yeah you can have your big smug smile on your face - I don't care. I'm gonna take these test results up to Mr. Winfield. I'm gonna show them to him and I'm gonna let him take the appropriate action.~~

MR. GRISSOM

Well Jerry why don't we get together on this - lets bang this out - make this right - you and me - c'mon - hit the back nine - you and me.

JERRY

We're not gonna bang anything out. These are test results, they are what they are. I'm gonna show 'em to Mr. Winfield and he's gonna -

MR. GRISSOM

Al:right Jerry, come on in. I'm sorry I had to call you in here -

JERRY

What -

MR. GRISSOM

- on such short notice. This is the worse part of my job. As you know we're reorganizing the company - down sizing a bit and your job is being phased out. I'm afraid we're gonna have to let you go. Thanks for coming in. Things happen for a reason. Good luck.

JERRY

Did you just fire me? (*Beat*) I need this job, I have a family - I need the insurance.

MR. GRISSOM

Well Jerry why don't we get together on this. Lets bang this thing out - make this right. You and me - c'mon - we're a couple of "go getters".

JERRY

Okay Mr. Grissom lets bang this out.

MR. GRISSOM

That a boy Jerry - good team player.

JERRY

A new test for Mr. Grissom. Brand new test. Question number one: You have ten pencils, you -

MR. GRISSOM

No I don't.

JERRY

That is correct.