

WELCOME TO OUR VILLAGE, PLEASE INVADE CAREFULLY

Episode 2.3

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EXT. PARK

**F/X: LAWRENCE, THE PARK KEEPER (40s), JANGLES HIS  
KEYS AS HE PREPARES TO UNLOCK A SHED.**

KATRINA:

LAWRENCE: Hello Ka

KATRINA:

LAWRENCE: Really?

KATRINA: Yes. When I lived in London I drove a ride-on mower every day.

LAWRENCE: I thought you worked for an educational charity.

KATRINA: I did. I do.

LAWRENCE: So why were you driving a ride-on mower every day?

KATRINA:  
Charge.

LAWRENCE:

KATRINA: Yes, you will. Although by then the entire planet will probably have been invaded by aliens, seeing as how Lucy and I are the only ones trying to stop them.

LAWRENCE:

KATRINA:

LAWRENCE:  
realised just how much of my sense of identity was bound up with keeping a large expanse of grass from growing past a certain point.

**F/X: LAWRENCE STARTS UNLOCKING THE SHED.**

KATRINA:

Lawrence! No

**F/X:**

**AND HE OPENS THE SHED DOOR.**

LUCY: For fun.

KATRINA: No.

LUCY: We could have a ride round the park on the ride-on  
lawnmower?

KATRINA:

MARGARET:

ULJABAAN:

painting the benches, repointing the brickwork, creating a floral tribute to Tim Henman on the village green, they just sat on their bottoms and left a slick of rotten pear mulch.

ULJABAAN: t Village  
In Buckinghamshire again any time soon, [it seems ]

**F/X: LAWRENCE RUSHES IN.**

LAWRENCE: Mr Uljabaan, sir!

ULJABAAN: What is it, Lawrence the Park Keeper?

LAWRENCE:

ULJABAAN: Ohhh I thought I was one short.

MARGARET:

LAWRENCE: Er, yes.

MARGARET:

ULJABAAN:

MARGARET: So, about this pear tree

ULJABAAN: Yes  
entire business tedious and baffling.



MARGARET:

ULJABAAN: s of being in charge.

MARGARET: Goodbye then.

**F/X: MARGARET LEAVES.**

ULJABAAN: Thank you for bringing me this information, Park Keeper.

LAWRENCE:

ULJABAAN: Your loyalty is appreciated. Computer! Stamp his loyalty card.

COMPUTER: Hold it out.

**F/X: MECHANICAL STAMPING NOISE.**

ULJABAAN: I see you have eight stamps. You may have a reward. What would you like?

LAWRENCE: I can ask for anything?

ULJABAAN: Yes.

LAWRENCE: And I can have it?

ULJABAAN:

**INT. LYONS HOUSE**







KATRINA: If those a  
might be more useful.

INT. PUB

**F/X: LIVELY ATMOSPHERE. RON HAS A MICROPHONE  
PLUGGED INTO THE SPEAKER SYSTEM.**

RON: (D) Are we ready to start the quiz?

LAWRENCE: No, Ron our team to get here.

RON: (D) All right, five minutes. You can get on with the picture round.

RICHARD: Easy picture round this week.

KATRINA:

RICHARD: They all played Bond girls.

KATRINA: What about Kim Basinger?

RICHARD: She was in Never Say Never Again.

KATRINA:

RICHARD: Ron thinks it does.

KATRINA: Nobody thinks Never Say Never Again counts. Are you sure

RICHARD: What else would the connection be?

KATRINA: (BEA

RICHARD:  
gone off Teri Hatcher.

KATRINA:

**F/X: DOOR OPENS, MINION ENTERS.**

MINION: (ALIEN GREETING)

LAWRENCE: Great, here he is Ron, we can start.

KATRINA:

LAWRENCE:

COMPUTER: Hello.

MINION: (ALIEN QUESTION?)

LAWRENCE: Yeah, just put him on the table.

**F/X: MINION PUTS IT DOWN ON THE TABLE.**

RICHARD:

LAWRENCE: Yep.

KATRINA:

on the internet.

COMPUTER:

Yep.

RICHARD:

Ron

RON:

RICHARD:

RON:

(D) No, we only have one unwritten rule and that is that we  
down the rules.

COMPUTER:





LUCY: She wants them to cut the tree down! You dreadful witch! Well,

**F/X: LUCY RUNS OFF, HYSTERICALLY.**

MINION: (ALIEN IS SHE OK?)

MARGARET:

et over it.

INT. PUB

**F/X: QUIZ WRAPPING UP.**

RON: (D) Runners-up with sixty-nine points are Parallel Lyons...

RICHARD: Bloody hell. We won last week with sixty-four.

RON: (D) And the winners with eighty-one points are Lawrence and the Machine!

**F/X: LAWRENCE AND HIS TEAM CHEER. OTHERS MAKE DISGRUNTLED NOISES.**

KATRINA: But there were only eighty questions.

RON: (D) They got a bonus point for having the best team name.

RICHARD: I told you we should have gone with Two Lyons On The Shirt.

KATRINA:

RICHARD: What a farce. One of the silver linings of being cut off from the  
their phones to cheat on the pub quiz.

KATRINA: I told you Uljabaan would put a stop to our winning streak  
he has to hurt my  
family too.

RICHARD:

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**F/X:**

LAWRENCE:

never lost a finger to a chainsaw yet. (BEAT) Two toes, but you

never know the difference.

ULJABAAN:

I have no intention of cutting down the pear tree.

LAWRENCE:

Really?

ULJABAAN:

Really.

LAWRENCE:

ULJABAAN:

(BEAT) Lucy Alexander?

LAWRENCE:

ULJABAAN:

LAWRENCE:

To save it from you.

ULJABAAN:

Can we be clear oJETB9.5555 RG 122.06 2009 Tm[( m[( )](2) TJE)-3()-3(r?

ULJABAAN: Run a personality profile of Lucy Alexander and calculate the probability that she would ever genuinely care about a tree.

**F/X:** **BLEEP.**

COMPUTER: Probability calculated at three point six four per cent.

ULJABAAN: Exactly as I thought.

COMPUTER: What, right down to the same number?

ULJABAAN: Broadly similar to what I thought. Thank you again for this information, Park Keeper.

LAWRENCE: Can I have the Computer for the next pub quiz?

ULJABAAN: Yes, Park Keeper, yes.

LAWRENCE: Brilliant. (BEAT) You do know tha



RICHARD: Mike.

MARGARET: Why is Mike spying on us?

RICHARD:

KATRINA: Oh bloody hell.

RICHARD:

MARGARET: How are we going to get rid of him?

RICHARD: Set fire to the coal?

KATRINA:

tell Ujjabaan, such as the fact that (LOUDLY) I put poison in  
and die.

**F/X: PAUSE. NOTHING HAPPENS.**

KATRINA: (LOUDLY) Although if someone got there in time to warn him,

**F/X: OUTSIDE, SOMEONE GETS OUT OF A COAL BUNKER AND  
RUNS FROM THE GARDEN.**

MARGARET:

z.

RICHARD:

not silly.

KATRINA:

good team. Dad knows the ones about sport and old films and TV shows, and I know the ones about important stuff.

RICHARD:

KATRINA:

Lucy and I are having a resistance meeting later, maybe we can work something out then.

MARGARET:

KATRINA:

Why not?

MARGARET:

RICHARD:

Who chained her to a tree?

MARGARET:

She chained herself to the tree.

KATRINA:

MARGARET:

KATRINA:

Yes, do.

**F/X: MARGARET LEAVES.**

KATRINA:

RICHARD:

KATRINA: Or ma

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**F/X: ULJABAAN APPROACHES.**

ULJABAAN:

MARGARET:

ULJABAAN: Ah! Good morning, Miss Alexander.

LUCY: Morning.

ULJABAAN: Why do you want to save this tree?

LUCY: Because trees are like, life, and the lungs of the planet, and we





MARGARET:

ou to know what it is.

ULJABAAN:

LUCY:

ULJABAAN: I can either threaten you until you tell me what the combination for the bike lock is, or cut through the chain of the bike lock, or simply uproot the tree with you still attached to it, and take the whole thing in for interrogation.

LUCY:

ULJABAAN: Very wise. Gantac!

MINION: (ALIEN YES LEADER?)

ULJABAAN: Write this down.

MINION: (ALIEN OK)

LUCY: The combination is: one...

MINION: (ALIEN ONE...)

LUCY: Two...

MINION: (ALIEN TWO...)

LUCY: Three...

MINION: (ALIEN THREE...)

LUCY: Four.

MINION: (ALIEN FOU-)

ULJABAAN: emory.

INT. PUB

**F/X: KATRINA AND RICHARD ARE MEETING WITH RON.**

RON:

RICHARD:

of it because the spirit of it is over the horizon.

RON:

But i

useless at pub quizzes think they might be in with a chance, if they can get the Computer on their team.

KATRINA:

Which means even more co-operation and collaboration and people spying on me.

RON:

Of

RICHARD:

(BEAT) Although I could shop Lucy for something.

KATRINA:

integrity of the pub quiz.

RICHARD:

clusion.

RON:

They can play for second place.

KATRINA:

playing for second place? No chance of winning.

RON:

t have a chance of winning.

KATRINA:

No, they can't have a chance of winning.

GRAHAM:

RICHARD:

GRAHAM:

KATRINA:               Graham, th  
                              name of the puzzle.

GRAHAM:

KATRINA:               Yes.

GRAHAM:

MARGARET:

KATRINA:

against the alien occupation here?

MARGARET:

ROBI:

and

Carol. Some n occiET-3( )y6(a)s sh occiju>30-

RON:

sexuality.

RICHARD:

dance cheek to cheek with Gary Morley. Apart from anything else, he never shaves.

RON:

KATRINA:

And Mum

MARGARET:

No, Katrina

KATRINA:

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**F/X:**

**COMPUTER RUNNING IN BACKGROUND.**

ULJABAAN:

How goes the interrogation, Computer? Has Miss Alexander talked yet?

COMPUTER:

Yes.

ULJABAAN:

Excellent!

COMPUTER:

But not about the tree.

ULJABAAN:

Then what has she talked about?

COMPUTER:

between Die  
conditioner on her hair



MINION: (ALIEN FINE)

**F/X: MINION STOMPS AWAY.**

LUCY: Yeah, go and listen to your Mumford and Sons.

**F/X: DOOR CLOSSES.**

LUCY: (MUTTERS) Mumford and Sons.

ULJABAAN: Now, Miss Alexander. Tell me why you want to protect the tree.

LUCY:

ULJABAAN: Ah, so you admit there is something to tell.

LUCY:

ULJABAAN: Then tell me the truth.

LUCY: No.

ULJABAAN: Tell me.

LUCY: Never!

ULJABAAN: Then I shall be forced to use... the mind probe.

LUCY:

LUCY:

probe?

ULJABAAN:

MINION: (ALIEN EXPLANATION)

ULJABAAN: What do you mean, gone to the pub quiz?

INT. PUB

**F/X: PUB ATMOSPHERE. LAWRENCE WALKS PAST, WITH THE  
COMPUTER.**

LAWRENCE: Evening.

MARGARET: Good evening, Lawrence.

LAWRENCE:  
going to walk it tonight.

KATRINA: Feeling confident, then?

COMPUTER: Thank you. We will not be wishing you good luck because luck is an irrational concept.

**F/X: LAWRENCE AND THE COMPUTER WALK AWAY.**

RON: (D) Welcome to bonus quiz night at the Rose and Crown. Usual form, eighty questions. Eyes down for question one: why did

GRAHAM: What?

RON: (D) Would you like me to repeat the question?

GRAHAM: Not really, no.

RON:  
summer 2008?

COMPUTER: You mean that Graham, over there?

RON: (D) Yes.

COMPUTER:

RON: there was a question mark at the end,  
what more do you want?

COMPUTER:

RON: (D) Nothing in the rules about it.



MARGARET: (LOW) To get out of visiting her father in the hospice on Christmas Day. This is fun!

KATRINA:

MARGARET: Yes, I would have thought Uljabaan would have finished interrogating her by now.

KATRINA: Interrogating her?

RON: (D) Question three. How much money did James Gravett lose when his property empire collapsed in 1989?

MARGARET: ose anything, it was all in

**F/X: RICHARD WRITES THIS DOWN.**

KATRINA:

MARGARET: a working broadband cable underneath the pear tree in her front garden.

RICHARD: Have you?

KATRINA: No.

MARGARET: No, Lucy and I made it up.

RON:

go on her gap year in 2004?

MARGARET:

(LOW) Prison.

**F/X:**

**RICHARD WRITES THIS DOWN.**

KATRINA:

Why did you make up this stuff about the broadband cable?

RICHARD:

To get rid of the pear tree.

MARGARET:

As soon as Lucy started trying to protect it, he got suspicious.

Of course we had to make it convincing, so at first she claimed

KATRINA:

MARGARET: I was going to offer her money, but as soon as I mentioned that I wanted to do something that would irritate her parents, she

KATRINA: I think she does harbour some resentment towards the garden and wants to see it destroyed.

RICHARD: She said that?

KATRINA: Maybe not exactly in those words.

RON: (D) Question six. During her breakdown in the summer of 1996, Rachel Tomlinson started stalking which popular television actor?

MARGARET: (LOW) Jimmy Nail.

**F/X: RICHARD WRITES THIS DOWN.**

**F/X: SOUND OF DIGGING AND UPROOTING.**

LUCY:

ULJABAAN: Rest assured, we will find it. Even if we have to destroy all of these rose bushes.



LUCY:

move that creepy cherub statue, be careful not to break it.

ULJABAAN:

(TO MINIONS) Move the statue.

**F/X: THE STATUE IS DROPPED AND SMASHED INTO PIECES.**

LUCY:

ckery.

ULJABAAN:

You think we can be deterred by a few rocks?

LUCY:

No, absolutely not.

ULJABAAN:

Destroy the rockery!

**F/X: CRUNCH OF PICK-AXE INTO ROCKERY.**

LUCY:

Haha!

INT. PUB

**F/X: RON IS READING OUT THE ANSWERS.**

RON:

(D) ...question seventy-nine answer to that one is because he was having an affair with a member of the House of Lords who

RICHARD:

Fantastic, Margaret

MARGARET:

Next time perhaps they could make it a bit more challenging.

**F/X: ULJABAAN ENTERS.**

ULJABAAN: Everyone an exciting opportunity has suddenly come up to do some work for me!

RON:

ULJABAAN:

RON:

ULJABAAN:

longer to find than we expected, so if anyone wants to help, I might see my way to letting you have the Computer for the next quiz...

**F/X: EVERYONE IS UNIMPRESSED.**

ULJABAAN: Nobody? Not even you, Park Keeper?

LAWRENCE: What, this useless piece of junk?

COMPUTER: See, this is why I never say a hundred per cent, even if I think it is a hundred.

RON: (D) And the answer to question eighty whose fault was it that we lost the Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village competition in 2009...

MARGARET: Another easy one.

RON: (D) ...is Lucy Alexander.

MARGARET: (BEAT) No, we lost because of all that pear mulch.

LAWRENCE: No, I remember this. We managed to steer the judges away from their street, so they never saw the mess.

RON: (D) But Lucy hid on the roof of the bus shelter and dropped a dog turd on one of the judges.

MARGARET: Is this true?

**F/X: PUB SAYS YES.**

RON: (D) Bit surprised you

KATRINA: Mum? What are you going to do to Lucy?

MARGARET: Me? Nothing. Yet.

**END OF JOKES.**