Alan's Aliens

A SciFy Styled Radio Play

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INT. OFFICE

In a very dreary office Alan sits pushing pencils.

MR. PETERSON

Alan have you finished yet?

ALAN

Yes sir.

MR. PETERSON

Good we need those reports by Monday.

ALAN

Yes sir of course sir. You know me never miss a beat.

MR. PETERSON

Yes Alan that's why I assigned you to the most important project.

MR. PETERSON EXITS

ALAN

Alright chap just need to finish this round and then it's done for the day. No nonsense Alan that's my name.

GARY

Alan!

ALAN

Gary! Please stay in your cubicle.

GARY

Sorry Alan just wanted to say the chaps and I are headed to the pub for a quick bite and pint.

ALAN

No thank you Gary. I can not leave the office until all my work is done or until the clock strikes 5pm.

GARY

Well your loss chap.

ALAN

Thank you Gary. Goodbye Gary.

THE CLOCK TICKS AND TICKS FINALLY RINGING A LOUD DINGING.

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ALAN

Ah there is it is time to go home make myself a large bowl tomato soup turn on the Telly and watch 'Murder She Wrote'.

SOUND OF FOOT STEPS AND A DOOR SHUTTING.

ALAN WALKS HOME ON THE COLD DARK STREETS OF LONDON.

OLD WOMAN

Young man! Young man!

ALAN

Are you talking to me madame?

OLD WOMAN

Yes young man I am.

ALAN

I'm not young I'm middle age.

OLD WOMAN

All are young to those who are very old.

ALAN

That sounds wiser than it actually is.

OLD WOMAN

You're a bit of a crank.

ALAN

No not a crank just a sensible man.

OLD WOMAN

Ah. Well you best watch out.

ALAN

I always watch out I'm very cautious.

OLD WOMAN

And very arrogant.

ALAN

Only the very humble would call a normal person arrogant.

OLD WOMAN

That sounds wiser than it actually is.

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ALAN

Well and there you go. Good night.

OLD WOMAN

Watch out.

SOUNDS OF CRASHING AND GUSTS OF WIND. MAYBE THE X FILES SOUND TRACK. ALAN SCREAMS.

SOME LIGHT BELLS SOUND TO SIGNIFY TIME PASSING.

INT. SPACE SHIP

Alan lies tied down to a table. The sounds of scissors and medical tools being moved around. A bell goes off. Alan wakes up.

EDWARD

Ah he awakens.

ALAN

Ah! Who are you? Where am I?

GWENDOLYN

Alan Hughes you are on ship 194330765.

ALAN

What? How do you know my name? Have you lot kidnapped me? Because if you have it won't work! I don't have any money! And my family doesn't like me enough to spend any money to get me back!

EDWARD

Money?

GWENDOLYN

Their commerce.

EDWARD

Oh, why in the world would we want that?

GWENDOLYN

They regard it highly.

ALAN

Now look here you lot better untie me and let me go!

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EDWARD

Ah! Specimen is struggling a bit.

GWENDOLYN

It also looks as though his reproductive organ has shrunk. Or did it start this small?

Looks through notes on clipboard.

ALAN

Hey!

EDWARD

Ah he seems agitated.

ALAN

Seems? I AM agitated! You lot kidnapped me!

EDWARD

Ah there's a good chap. We did not in fact kidnap you.

GWENDOLYN

I believe the word you people use is abducted.

ALAN

Abducted!?!!? What are you foreigners? Americans!?!

GWENDOLYN

Nothing of the sort!

ALAN

Well I didn't think so, your accents sound far to authentic.

EDWARD

We're aliens.

ALAN

Oh illegals.

EDWARD

Ah.

GWENDOLYN

No.

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EDWARD

The other kind.

GWENDOLYN

Of alien.

EDWARD

The one you lot is quiet skeptical of but also terrified?

GWENDOLYN

The space kind.

ALAN

WHAT?!

EDWARD

Fraid so.

ALAN

But you you look and sound so British.

EDWARD

Ah yes about that.

GWENDOLYN

We are especially inept at disquises.

EDWARD

Taking the human form and all that.

GWENDOLYN

We find it helps keep our specimens' stay calm.

EDWARD

Oh yes! Many of you die of fright if we show you our true form.

GWENDOLYN

(laughing)

Oh yes! Oh my! It's quiet the sight to see! A human dying of fright.

EDWARD

They always roll their eyes back and start weeping.

GWENDOLYN

(mimicking voice)

Oh I'm so scared! Don't kill me.

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EDWARD

(mimicking voice)

What are you? Help me!

BOTH ALIENS START LAUGHING AT THEIR OWN IMPRESSIONS.

ALAN

Hey! That's very rude.

EDWARD

Ah yes.

GWENDOLYN

So sorry.

EDWARD

Very sorry.

ALAN

Is that what you do? Kidnap/

GWENDOLYN

Abduct.

ALAN

Abduct! Abduct humans to poke fun at us!

GWENDOLYN

Oh no! We are conducting some important research.

EDWARD

But you know all work and no play makes the Aliens...

EDWARD/GWENDOLYN

Eat their specimens!

ALAN

Not very comforting.

EDWARD

Well don't worry chap we both had large lunches.

GWENDOLYN

And I'm meeting a friend for dinner after so I really shouldn't snack.

ALAN

Well if you aren't going to eat me and you are done making fun of me, what are you going to do to me?!!?

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EDWARD

Oh.

GWENDOLYN

We just needed to do some simple tests!

EDWARD

For science and all, it turns out human sperm may have the exact ingredient needed to economically fuel our war ships.

ALAN

Oh. Well. Oh dear.

GWENDOLYN

Yes if it turns out we are right we will most likely be harvesting the human species for fuel.

ALAN

And if you are wrong?

GWENDOLYN

We'll blow up your planet for the fun of it!

ALAN

What!?

EDWARD

Oh Gwendolyn is just playing with you old chap. If we are wrong then we will leave this galaxy in search of more lucrative fuel.

ALAN

What are the chances you are right?

GWENDOLYN

About 50/50 at this point.

EDWARD

We need to do a bit more research.

ALAN

Are you going to keep me here for more research!?!!? I have a report due tomorrow.

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GWENDOLYN

Oh dear no! Your seed is no good to us now. It needs too many different samples from many different specimen in order for it to be any good.

EDWARD

Yes sorry old chap! As they say on your planet you are firing blanks!

GWENDOLYN

Blanks for research. Actually according to our samples you are very fertile. In case you were interested.

ALAN

Not really. Not interested in any more of your research. I would just like to go home.

GWENDOLYN

Ah yes happy to let you go, but remember don't tell anyone!

ALAN

I bloody well am going to tell everyone that an Alien race is harvesting us for our sperm!

EDWARD

Ah well I guess it can't be helped.

GWENDOLYN

Humans do love to talk.

EDWARD

We could cut out his tongue.

GWENDOLYN

How Shakespearean.

ALAN

For aliens you know a lot of Earth references.

EDWARD

We're aliens not idiots.

ALAN

Ah.

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GWENDOLYN

Well Alan you have been a lovely specimen.

EDWARD

Quite.

GWENDOLYN

You know don't worry too terribly about not telling anyone.

EDWARD

It's not like anyone will believe you.

GWENDOLYN

I tell you this for your own sake Alan just keep this to yourself you don't want to be that maniac who thinks aliens are real!

ALAN

But you are real!!!

EDWARD

Ah well we tried.

SOUNDS OF SPACESHIP AND LASER BEAMS. ALAN BEING TRANSPORTED BACK DOWN TO EARTH.

INT. ALAN'S APARTMENT

ALAN WAKES UP WITH A START.

ALAN

What the!

ALAN GRABS HE PHONE. SOUNDS OF PHONE DIALING AND RINGING.

ALAN

Mum! It's me. Not the other me, it's me your son Alan! Mum I was just abducted by aliens! No I have not been drinking! Mum! Please! Mum?

SOUND OF A DIAL TONE. ALAN HANGS UP PHONE. SOUND OF CLACKING ON A COMPUTER.

ALAN

Alright my family doesn't believe me, just need to let the world know. How's this for a headline (MORE)

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ALAN (cont'd)

"Alien's Harvesting Human's for FUEL"

SOUND OF MORE KEYS CLACKING. COFFEE BEING SIPPED. PENCIL BEING TAPPED.

ALAN

I wonder if I should mention the sperm, a bit sensational but it might grab people's attention.

KNOCKING ON THE DOOR.

ALAN

Come in!

GARY

Alan! Oh good you're alive.

ALAN

Of course I'm alive! Well not of course I was abducted by aliens but I survived pretty well.

GARY

Oh dear.

ALAN

Yes it was quite an experience.

GARY

Oh Alan, I didn't think they were telling the truth.

ALAN

Who's they.

GARY

Boys at the office saying how you've gone off your rocker.

ALAN

No it's all true!

GARY

Oh dear.

ALAN

I was abducted by aliens! Look I made a whole chart!

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GARY

Very nice chart.

ALAN

It shows where I think they picked me up and where they can be tracked in our solar system!

GARY

Is this a tin foil hat Alan?

ALAN

Don't be daft! I was making a lasagna! Of course I know the aliens can't get into my head and wouldn't use tin foil to stop them!

GARY

Ah oh good!

ALAN

They are trying to get our sperm Gary!

GARY

Oh dear.

ALAN

I bloody well say so.

GARY

Well Alan I didn't want to do this but Mr. Peterson wanted me to come and tell you to collect your things.

ALAN

I'm not lying Gary!

GARY

Ah. Well even if you are telling the truth you haven't been at work in weeks.

ALAN

I haven't? Those aliens must have messed with my internal clock! It's all true Gary!!! All of it!

GARY

Well chap you don't seem in a state to come collect your things. I'll be sure to them sent. CONTINUED: 12.

ALAN

What?

GARY

Good luck Alan. I hope you get the help you need.

SOUND OF DOOR OPENING AND GARY WALKING OUT OF THE APARTMENT. SOUND OF ALAN RUNNING AFTER HIM.

EXT. STREET

ALAN

They are real! GARRRY!!!!! They are!!!

OLD WOMAN

I told you to watch out.

ALAN

You! You're a gypsy.

OLD WOMAN

Roma.

ALAN

Huh.

OLD WOMAN

Gypsy is offensive term. It's roma.

ALAN

Who cares!?!?! I was abducted by aliens and no one believes me!

OLD WOMAN

Ah well that's insane.

ALAN

I thought you would believe me!

OLD WOMAN

I didn't think sensible men believed in aliens.

ALAN

Someone has to believe me! Someone please! Please!

OLD WOMAN

Be careful Alan Hughes, you wouldn't want those aliens to come back for you now?
MUAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAH.

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ALAN

The maniacal laughter isn't exactly selling your innocence.

OLD WOMAN

Oh shut up Alan, and let it dawn on you that no one will ever believe you!!!

ALAN

NOOOOO!!!!!!!!!!!

SOUNDS OF RAIN FALLING AND LIGHTING STRIKING AND ALIEN SPACE SHIPS OFF IN THE DISTANCE.

ALAN

And now it's raining!!!! Where's my tin foil hat when I need it!!?!?!

BLACK OUT