

Mental Matt  
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INT. MENTAL MATT'S OFFICE - EARLY MORNING

Spinning and colourful disco lights provide the lighting and a clock on the wall says it's 1 AM. In the middle of the room is a multicoloured table with two similarly coloured chairs. MENTAL MATT (80s) wearing a clown costume with makeup sits facing his similarly dressed male EMPLOYEE (20s).

MENTAL MATT  
Wahoooo! Waheey!

EMPLOYEE  
Hahahaha!

MATT retrieves a rubber duck from his pocket and throws it hard at his EMPLOYEE'S face.

EMPLOYEE  
Hahahaha!

The EMPLOYEE retrieves a brick from his pocket and hits his own head with it.

MENTAL MATT  
Hooohohohohoo!

MATT stands up, takes the brick from the EMPLOYEE and tries to eat it. He fails, but keeps trying.

EMPLOYEE  
Hahahaha!

MATT throws the brick down in frustration, then picks up the rubber duck which he also tries to eat, whole. He then bites its head off and swallows it.

EMPLOYEE  
Hahahaha!

MATT sits down again and starts a conversation.

MENTAL MATT  
Anyway, all jokes and goofing around  
aside, I've invited you into my fun  
office to talk business.

EMPLOYEE  
Of course. What in particular do you  
want to discuss?

MENTAL MATT  
It's about our contract with James  
Ziegler. You don't think he's too  
crazy to work with us, do you?

The EMPLOYEE exhales deeply.

EMPLOYEE

Wow... That's a tough one. I mean do we REALLY want to be associated with him? Between you and me, I think there's something a little off about him.

MENTAL MATT

Exactly my thoughts. I think it's the kind of thing to carefully ponder over as I eat some more brick...

EMPLOYEE

Hoooohooooo!

THE EMPLOYEE retrieves a small toy pony from his pocket which he eats as MATT leaves his seat to munch on the brick. He sits back down again.

EMPLOYEE

He IS too crazy, isn't he? A fruitloop.

MENTAL MATT

I think it's best we discuss matters face to face with him as soon as possible. Ha.

EMPLOYEE

On his podcast, tomorrow?

MENTAL MATT

Sounds good to me. Not only will be meeting him, we'll be promoting our company at the same time! By saying how mental it is! Not as mental as James, though.

EMPLOYEE

Hahahahahahaha!

MENTAL MATT

Yes, very funny. It will also be a good opportunity to explain to the world what exactly it is our company does, as many people are confused.

EMPLOYEE

We just promote people, right?

MENTAL MATT

Yes, but people don't understand how and why. It's quite simple, really. We pay people and in return people know about our company!

EMPLOYEE

Sorry, I forget. How do WE earn our money?

MENTAL MATT

Well, my friend? I guess things aren't so simple, after all.

EMPLOYEE

Hm.

MENTAL MATT

You know what, I'm going to phone James right now, to explain this situation.

MATT retrieves his mobile from his pocket.

MENTAL MATT

Yo, James? Hahahahaha! Woohoo! Blebleble! Ha! Anyway, to cut a long story short, you're a liability... What do I mean? I mean how about you try being normal for just one second? Or is that too hard for you?... Am I being ironic? No, what made you say that?... No I'm not more mental than you, actually... You've said I am, again? Look, I'm a businessman and I need to work with people I can make money with and I'm in particularly desperate situation, as I'm not 100% sure what I do. So try harder! We'll discuss things further tomorrow on your podcast, bye.

MATT hangs up and pockets his phone.

MENTAL MATT

In a way, I do get what James is going through, though. When my fellow clowns said I wasn't suitable as a children's entertainer anymore, it did hurt me. But look at me now, right!

EMPLOYEE

Now you're running your own company!

MENTAL MATT

Yes!

EMPLOYEE

Your own mysterious company.

MENTAL MATT

Yes, and I also empathise with James and his troubles with money. At very least we can still be friends. Or as he puts it 'super duper mega pals'.

EMPLOYEE

Did he call you a super duper mega pal in your phone call with him, just now?

MENTAL MATT

You know what? I think he must have forgot. I'll ask him tomorrow and between you and me, I hope he says yes! I mean imagine getting rejected by HIM.

EMPLOYEE

That's pain...

MENTAL MATT

Yes, now let's party!

MATT eats more brick.