Too Late!

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EXT. STREET - NIGHT

A PIZZA DELIVERY MAN (20) on a moped speeds through lamp-lit suburbs featuring several semi detached houses with front gardens. There is very light traffic.

PDM

(thinking to himself)
Oh God, I'm so late after getting
lost with my last two orders, my boss
is going to kill me if he finds out!

A PDM accelerates a little faster.

PDM

(still thinking)

Ok, I at very least think I know where I am so I should be fine.

The PDM pulls over by a house and dismounts his moped. He takes a couple of pizzas from the back of the vehicle and walks towards the house. He notices the door is slightly open.

PDM

Hello?? Sorry for being late!

He rings the doorbell.

PDM

Hello?

He notices a note just behind the door.

PDM

(nervously)

What's that?

He picks it up with the pizzas in his other hand and reads the note aloud.

PDM

Dear pizza delivery guy. You're too late. We all starved. Please don't call for an ambulance, there is nothing you can do. Sad face.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

The PDM goes white. He cautiously enters the well lit house and walks through the hallway with a door in front of him.

PDM

Hello?... I'm only five minutes late, you shouldn't have starved already..

He walks some more. He slowly opens the door to reveal a living room featuring some settees and a TV. A FAMILY of a MOTHER (40), FATHER (40) and two YOUNG BOYS lies on the floor, facing the ceiling with their arms and legs stretched out. Their mouths are open and their tongues hang out them.

PDM

Oh my God, I am SO sorry!

He notices a note in the corner of room, besides a tape recorder. He puts the pizza down, picks the note up and reads it aloud.

PDM

Dear pizza delivery guy, play the tape.

The PDM picks up the tape player and presses the play button.

RECORDED MESSAGE OF BOY Please, mum! When is he going to get here??? I'm SO hungry!

RECORDED MESSAGE OF MUM Don't worry, he'll be here soon! Again, don't worry!

RECORDED MESSAGE OF BOY I think... I think I'm going to starve!

The PDM starts to sweat.

PDM

Oh no...

RECORDED MESSAGE OF DAD Just keep it together, ok?!?!?! Just keep it together!!!!

The PDM puts the tape player back on the floor. He retrieves a mobile from his pocket and makes a call.

PDM

Hello? I'm so sorry, but I was so late delivering one of my pizzas, a family died of starvation... How late was I? Just five minutes!!... I know you can't starve that quickly, the family must have... must have... well I don't know what happened!... I know giving them a pizza for free isn't enough!...

The FAMILY stand up as the PDM stares in disbelief.

MOTHER

No, only joking.

PDM

Only joking???

DAD

Yeah.

The PDM talks into his mobile once more.

PDM

Turns out the family DIDN'T starve, I was pranked... you're still made at me for being five minutes late?? Oh who cares?? This is a rubbish family!

BOY 1

Hey!

PDM

You heard.

BOY 2

Yeah, well YOU'RE a rubbish navigator! You famously suck in fact, so we were all thinking 'let's all pretend we're dead to teach him a lesson'.

The PDM talks into his mobile again.

PDM

You hear that, boss?... Did I call an ambulance? Well no, but... Why didn't I? Because there was a note telling me not to! The note explained I was too late!... Not only was I late delivering a pizza, I was criminally negligent, too?... I'm a very bad pizza deliverer??... Yeah? Well how about I eat the pizza? How about that?

The PDM throws his mobile to the floor, grabs a slice of pizza and eats it.

PDM

It's cold!!!

BOY 2

I told you you suck...

The PDM storms out of the room. But his face... why is it turning into a pizza?

PDM Pizzafication!