

Jupiter's Moon
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EXT. JUPITER'S MOON - NIGHT

It's a clear, starry night. A MAN in a space suit gradually moves forward by jumping up and down on a deserted gray world, much like the Earth's moon. The gravity is low.

SPACE MAN

Base, all I'm seeing is loads and loads of gray. This is really boring.

A slightly distorted male VOICE is heard in the SPACEMAN'S helmet.

VOICE

Just carry on with your mission. The spy satellite has taken photographs of what appear to be strange lifeforms close to where you are now.

The SPACE MAN keeps traveling forwards.

SPACE MAN

Yeah. Sounds like a mistake to me.

VOICE

No, I don't think so.

SPACE MAN

Are sure you haven't been pranked? I mean the descriptions of the aliens your co-worker gave me. They were plain bizarre.

VOICE

Could be a prank. Could also be very exciting. Now keep on bouncing forwards.

The SPACE MAN does so.

SPACE MAN

Still nothing but gray. This is a long shot, but I'm going to turn around to see if I've missed anything...

VOICE

A smart move.

The SPACE MAN does so. He sees more of the same.

SPACE MAN

More nothing...

He turns around again. Right in front of him is another SPACE MAN in a space suit, but facing away from him, with his trousers down. Also in front of him are 5 SHEEP in spacesuits, and 5 COWS, also in spacesuits.

SPACE MAN
HOLY CRAP!

The other SPACE MAN gives a friendly wave. The back of his hand is seen.

SPACE MAN 2
Hi!

SPACE MAN
Who the hell are you???

VOICE
What's going on?

SPACE MAN 2
I'm Peter and this is my zoo!

SPACE MAN
You appear to be mooning me.

SPACE MAN 2
Yes! Get it?

SPACE MAN
Get what?

SPACE MAN 2
Go on. Try.

SPACE MAN
Wait a sec... You're showing me...
Zoo Peter's moon, on Jupiter's moon?

SPACE MAN 2
Yes!

SPACE MAN
Is that supposed to be funny?

SPACE MAN 2
Yes! It's the third most expensive
and hard to organise practical joke
in the whole galaxy! And there are a
few!

SPACE MAN
Tell me about it...

VOICE

Space man, can you hear me? What's going on?

SPACE MAN

(in desperation)

I don't know!

The SPACE MAN face palms.

SPACE MAN

For God's sake face me, Peter! And pull up your trousers!

SPACE MAN 2

No can do, I'm afraid. If I did that this situation wouldn't be Zoo Peter's Moon anymore. I'm milking this situation for as long as I possible can.

SPACE MAN

Why does space have to be so silly?

SPACE MAN 2 shrugs his shoulders.

SPACE MAN 2

Errr...

SPACE MAN

You don't know?

SPACE MAN 2

Nope.

SPACE MAN

Where did you come from anyway?

SPACE MAN 2

It's a secret.

VOICE

Repeat! What's going on?

SPACE MAN

(sighing)

Base, I'm on Jupiter's moon... with zoo Peter's moon.

SPACE MAN 2

Baaahahahaha!

VOICE

Who was that??

SPACE MAN
The weirdest person I've ever met.

VOICE
What's that supposed to mean??

SPACE MAN
I'm not sure. Peter, isn't it in the interest of your safety to pull your trousers up?

VOICE
The was an odd thing to say...

SPACE MAN 2
I feel a little uncomfortable maybe, but it's worth it.

SPACE MAN
The joke's getting old!

SPACE MAN 2
I worry that if I pull my trousers up, not only will I not be showing you Zoo Peter's moon, I will cease to exist.

VOICE
That doesn't make ANY kind of sense..
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SPACE MAN
DO IT NOW!

ZOO PETER pulls his trousers up and faces the SPACE MAN.

SPACE MAN
See? You're fine. Now take your animals back to where they came from. They've been through enough. They've seen enough.

SPACE MAN 2
Yep, Fair point. Just one thing...

SPACE MAN
Yes?

SPACE MAN 2
Look behind you. Someone else is about to moon you.

The SPACE MAN turns around to see a deserted area.

SPACE MAN

Oh you got me. There's nothing there.

The SPACE MAN turns to face PETER, but he's gone as are the ANIMALS.

SPACE MAN

Huh.

VOICE

For the thousandth time, what in the world is going on???

SPACE MAN

Well... to be as clear as I possibly can, a man called Zoo Peter mooned me. And then disappeared into thin air... Along with his zoo.

VOICE

No. REALLY?

SPACE MAN

Yep.

VOICE

What a child. First the black hole, then the sun, and now this??

SPACE MAN

Exactly.

VOICE

I'm seriously wondering if we should stop planning the Uranus mission.

SPACE MAN

Exactly. So many opportunities for childish puns...

VOICE

Right. I guess go back to your space ship, Sir.

SPACE MAN

Will do. Over and out.

The SPACE MAN turns back and hops away.

SPACE MAN

(monologue)

That was the last time I'd ever see Zoo Peter's moon, or indeed Zoo Peter. But the memory of him will never leave me. God dammit.