

PART I

TAPE OF CINDY QUESTIONING RYAN (AGE 9) AND DAMON (AGE 6)

RYAN: Mom, what does smuggle mean?

CINDY: What? I don't know what this is. Ohh.. a smuggler is somebody who steal things and takes it places where they are not supposed to.

RYAN: And umm...is _____ the same word?

CINDY: Is what?

RYAN: Is _____ the same word?

CINDY: No it is a different word.

RYAN: Umm, what's a study?

CINDY: A study?

RYAN: Yeah.

CINDY: It's a room where you have lots of books.

RYAN: Oh.

CINDY: You know what. I'm trying to figure out this thing that you said about Dad. So, I'm wondering about ...

RYAN: What?

CINDY: Of him standing up over Damon in the middle of the night? Do you ...

RYAN: Ohhh

CINDY: About what time was it?

RYAN: Ohh... he stands on my bed to get up to Damon. I don't know what time. I didn't check my watch. I was too sleepy. I probably couldn't read because...

CINDY: Yeah...so you were half asleep and it was dark?

RYAN: Uh huh...

CINDY: So it was probably in the middle of the night?

RYAN: Yeah, close to it.

* DAMON: ~~(inaudible) Damon and Cindy talk at the same time.~~ *And I felt the metal!*

RYAN: Dad does that even at night

CINDY: He does it at night?

RYAN: When, umm, I'm awake.

CINDY: Ohh! And you were asleep this time when he was in there? What were you going to say Damon?

DAMON: And I...and I felt a metal thing waving across me.

CINDY: You felt a metal thing waving across you?

RYAN: I bet I know what it was.

CINDY: What?

RYAN: It was probably the blankets.

CINDY: That doesn't feel like metal. You said you felt something going from your bottom? Is that where?? Like up your back or something? Some metal thing?

DAMON: No, up my whole body.

CINDY: Your whole body?

DAMON: Metal!

CINDY: It felt like...

DAMON: Waving!

CINDY: Felt like something waving? Like metal waving?

DAMON: Yeah across my whole body.

RYAN: Was it cold?

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CINDY: It felt kind of...

DAMON: It felt like metal.

CINDY: Did it feel hard?

DAMON: Yeah. Felt like the walls of this house.

CINDY: Felt like the walls of the house? Kind of pressing down on you?

DAMON: Yeah.

CINDY: And how long did you feel it for?

DAMON: About like seven seconds.

CINDY: You don't know how long seven seconds is. So it woke you up?

* DAMON: No, I know how long seven seconds is. ~~He~~ actually counted in my mind to see ^{how} long it would be. ~~I was~~ ^{ing} ~~how~~

CINDY: Oh! You counted to see how long it lasted?

DAMON: Uh huh.

CINDY: And then it went away?

DAMON: In seven seconds.

RYAN: That means it was probably the blanket.

CINDY: Well blankets aren't hard and don't feel like that. Was...was Dad...

RYAN: Well maybe he was half asleep and couldn't really feel that?!

DAMON: No.

RYAN: 'Cause sometimes you feel a little weird and you don't feel...

* DAMON: ~~I wasn't half asleep then~~ → I wasn't even half asleep then, Ryan.

CINDY: You weren't even half asleep? ~~Were you~~ kind of awake?

DAMON: Yeah. ^{So you were}

CINDY: Did you call for Dad to see if he could help you?..or.. Was he there? Was he in the room?

DAMON: Umm...yeah.

CINDY: He was in...

DAMON: I saw him.

CINDY: You saw him in the room?

RYAN: Did you see him standing on my bed?

DAMON: Uh. I don't know if he was standing on my bed, but I did see him on the back corner of me.

CINDY: The back corner of you?

DAMON: Of my bed.

CINDY: Of your bed?

RYAN: No, I saw him (inaudible)

CINDY: And after you felt...

RYAN: The reason I picked the bottom bunk is because it's bigger than the top.

CINDY: Ohh, I see.

RYAN: And I need a lot of room.

DAMON: Why is it bigger than the top?

RYAN: 'Cause sometimes you have to step on the bottom bed to get up to the top. So they make it bigger.

CINDY: So you felt this heavy thing on you and Dad was on the back corner of your bed? Did you ask him...?

DAMON: I forget which corner.

CINDY: You forget which ...

DAMON: I remember it was a corner. That's all.

CINDY: (inaudible)

