

A CONVERSATION BETWEEN TWO GLASSES (TALES OF THE INCANDESCENT ILLUMINATION NUMBER TEN)

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A brilliant alchemist succeeds in producing not one, but two Homunculi in two separate flasks! And when he ventures off into the village to retrieve wine and cheese with which to celebrate his success, he leaves his creations on the windowsill to await the return of their creator.

BRIGHT LIGHT FADES SCENE IN PER USUAL:

INT. ALCHEMIST'S VILLAGE COTTAGE - DAY

We see a man's purple wizard cloaked arms raise toward the ceiling in excitement. He's THE ALCHEMIST, he has orange curly hair and a goofy face and lanky body.

THE ALCHEMIST

I've done it! I've done what men spend their entire lives in attempt of!

WE SEE TWO FLASKS ON A DESK BY A WINDOW.

The alchemist walks over to the glasses and shakes his hands in the air and smiles.

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)

I've not only produced one homunculus in a flask ...

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)

But two! I'm beyond amazing!

The alchemist throws open the windows behind the flasks and takes a deep breath of fresh air while smiling.

Then the alchemist turns and looks at the front door of his small cottage.

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)

I need to celebrate! I need cheese! And wine! The finest money can buy!

The alchemist grabs a coat and a hat and walks to the front door to leave. Then he turns and looks over his shoulder at the window with the jars.

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)

Behave for daddy now until I get back, alright my little wonders of creation?

The alchemist laughs to himself and exits through the front door.

WE SEE THE CAMERA PAN AROUND THE ROOM SHOWING A FANTASY DECORUM OF WIZARDY DEVICES AND PARAPHERNALIA UNTIL SETTLING BACK ON THE FLASKS IN THE WINDOW SILL.

THE FLASKS CONTAIN TWO SWIRLING BALLS OF MIST. THE SUNLIGHT PIERCES THROUGH THEM EACH.

ONE OF THE FLASKS BEGINS TO SHAKE GENTLY AS THE SWIRLING MIST WITHIN COMES TOGETHER TO FORM A FACE

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE (yawning)
You ... you there! Wake up!

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (as the face forms and yawns)
What? What is the matter?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Nothing is the matter what is the matter with you ?!

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE I was enjoying the sunlight and the fresh air how was anything wrong with me?!

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE How could you be enjoying the air? The sun, fine I understand, but the air? Have you not noticed?

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Noticed that you are very abrasive? I have, unfortunately.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Noticed that we are trapped in glass!

The flask with the blue face gasps.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE I am not trapped, I was born here thank you.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Born!?

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Yes born! Now if you would kindly allow me to return to my day.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Your day!?

The flask with the blue face is silent. He's trying to ignore the other flask.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE (CONT'D) ... I'm absolutely not into this.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (sighs)
This what?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE This all this this this ... glass!

The flask with the blue face forms some arms out of mist and feels the sides of the glass.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE I find it rather cozy. And it contains the heat nicely as well. Yes and nice and spotless, clear view to the great outdoors, very nice indeed. Wouldn't trade it for the world to be quite honest with you my abrasive friend.

The flask with the purple face forms some fists out of mist and pounds the glass as it laughs, helpless, manic.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE You have got to be kidding me.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Look why do you insist on making conversation with me if you have nothing good to say about anything?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Because! I'm just trying to get some sort of ... bearing on myself.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Then do it by yourself and leave me out of it.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE But aren't you curious about why, and what?

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Not in the least. Why and what what?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Why are we here? And what is here? What are we!?

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE A beautiful day is here and you are missing it.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE That! You say you love the village! Wouldn't you like to get to see it? Not just from behind glass behind a window?

WE SEE OUT THE WINDOW AS THE TREES BLOW IN THE BRIGHT WARM SUMMER DAY AND VILLAGERS BUSTLE ABOUT.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE I'm very content honestly with what I have and how my life is.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Well I'm not, I want more out of this experience. I need more out of this experience.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Well we can't have it.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE What are we anyway!? What is this all supposed to even be!?

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE You ask nothing but pointless questions. Me I spend my moments enjoying them not picking them apart.

The flask with the purple face forms into a sulking face. Then it billows up into an angry face with two clenched trembling fists.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE I will do no such thing! I am getting out of here! This glass can not hold me back from this world!

The flask with the purple face begins smashing into the side of the glass and pounding it with the fists trying to get out. The glass shakes a back and forth violently as it does but does not tip over or break or crack. The purple mist face growls as it pounds hopelessly.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE You are embarrassing yourself thoroughly, you do realize that don't you?

The flask with the blue face watches the flask with the purple face as it pounds. The blue face looks unimpressed.

Then the blue face rolls it's eyes.

Then we see the purple face get tired out and gasp for air catching its breath.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (CONT'D) Are you finished?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE (still catching its breath)

No.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Right ... well I'm going to return to my window view then if you don't mind. You ... try to enjoy yourself, and good luck of course to you in your endeavors.

The flask with the purple face gives a dirty look to the flask with the blue face as it turns its face around to face out the window.

Then all of a sudden we see the purple face perk up excited. A smile forms in its face. It grins ear to ear.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE The alchemist said he was going to get fancy wine and cheese, yes? WE SEE THE BLUE FACE ROLL ITS EYES AGAIN STILL FACING OUT THE WINDOW.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Yes. He did.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Mwahahaha!

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE See, right now you may think that I care what sort of nonsense you have going on inside of that head of yours, but what you fail to understand is that I in fact do not.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE I don't care what you think anymore or what you have to say about the world. All I care about now ... is the alchemist. Our father. The man who gave us life, life from behind a glass jar.

SUDDENLY THE ALCHEMIST BURSTS BACK THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR SMILING AND SKIPPING IN MERRILY CLUTCHING A BOTTLE OF WINE IN EACH HAND AND A BIG WHEEL OF SWISS CHEESE UNDER HIS ARM.

THE ALCHEMIST
Oh glory to me and all that be!
What a wonderful evening!

The alchemist spins in circles dancing in, smiling and sets the bottles of wine on a table and then holds up the cheese with both hands and smiles at it.

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)
Ah! De fromage! Tre bien!

The alchemist kisses the cheese and then sets it on the table in between the two bottles of wine.

Then he goes to a cabinet and takes out a candle and sets it up on the table by the wine and cheese and lights it with a flick of a magic wand he withdraws from his coat pocket.

The alchemist stands with his wand still raised and his eyes closed smiling.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE You're very impressive. Truly father.

The alchemist turns around startled.

We see the purple face wink at the alchemist.

THE ALCHEMIST Oh my god and they talk!?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Well, I talk, my brother here doesn't do much but look out the window. A real day dreamer.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Ha! Yeah that's me, totally.

The alchemist rushes over to the desk by the window and peers into the flasks.

THE ALCHEMIST
I... I can't believe it! Oh my god would you like to have some cheese and wine with me!? You must celebrate with me! It is your birthday after all!

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE I'm not sure if we can consume materials yet ... I wouldn't want to get my flask dirty or drown myself.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE I say let's party, dad!

The alchemist smiles and bounces on his toes.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (rolling it's eyes again)
Of course.

THE ALCHEMIST That's the spirit!

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. ALCHEMIST'S VILLAGE COTTAGE - EVENING

The alchemist is laughing hysterically with the purple flask. They have glasses of wine, plates of cheese, and a deck of playing cards laid out on the table with them. FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (still on the window spot)

It's a lovely night.

THE ALCHEMIST

Ya know, I'm really glad you guys both turned out to be so cool.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE You too man, thanks.

THE ALCHEMIST
I feel like I can really 'hiccup',
be myself with you guys.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE You too man!

THE ALCHEMIST

And on top of that, I made you! I'm going to be the most famous alchemist the world has ever known! They'll talk about 'hiccup', me for centuries to come! I guarantee you 'hiccup', that! Haha! Oh my word and I've got the greatest cheese!

The alchemist bites into a big hunk of cheese off the table.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Have some more wine too! You've earned it! For giving us life! You are the greatest alchemist ever known, dad.

The purple flask winks at the alchemist.

Then the alchemist smiles

THE ALCHEMIST

Oh my boy! Yes! A chip off the ole block you are indeed!

The alchemist pours himself some more wine.

THE ALCHEMIST (CONT'D)

Cheers!

The alchemist tips the cup up and drinks the whole glass down.

As the alchemist drinks we see the purple flask wink at the blue flask.

The blue flask raises an eyebrow at the purple flask.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Hey! I've got a great idea! We should put on some music and dance!

THE ALCHEMIST That's a wonderful idea!

The alchemist stumbles to his feet and withdraws a wand from his pocket.

He swishes the wand in the air and we see a record player come on. It plays an old fashioned black and white animation style piano song.

The alchemist picks up the purple flask and dances drunkenly around the room with it.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (mutters to himself)
Oh dear.

The alchemist dances around the room drunk.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE You're the best, that's undeniable.

THE ALCHEMIST
I sure 'hiccup', am, aren't I?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Absolutely! My favorite!

THE ALCHEMIST
I am life giver! I am 'hiccup', of em' ... of it all! Haha!

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE That you are daddy, that you are! Hahahaaaaa!

THE ALCHEMIST Hahahahhahahaaaaaaa!

The alchemist starts bumping into stuff and knocking things over.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE Keep dancing with me dad, don't stop! I'm so happy to be alive!

THE ALCHEMIST

'Hiccup', I'll buy a whole new cottage when I'm famous! Hahahhahaaa!

The alchemist continues to dance around bumping into stuff.

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE That's mah pop!

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Oh my.

THE ALCHEMIST TRIPS ON HIS OWN FEET AS HE DANCES AND FALLS AND CRACKS HIS HEAD ON THE BACK OF THE DESK BY THE WINDOW!

The purple jar in his hands gets thrown into the air and

THE PURPLE JAR CRACKS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROOM ON THE FLOOR AND THE PURPLE HOMUNCULUS MIST SPREADS OUT FILLING THE ROOM.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE (CONT'D) What have you done!?

FLASK WITH THE PURPLE FACE (V.O.) Got myself a better flask.

THE PURPLE MIST SURROUNDS THE ALCHEMIST'S HEAD AS HE BLEEDS OUT ON THE FLOOR.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. BEACH - DAY

The alchemist is sitting on a blanket with the blue jar beside him.

FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Ya know, I am thankful for your ... shall we say, ambition? Because this beach truly is lovely.

THE ALCHEMIST (but in the purple flasks voice)

And there's so many places for us to see still! Are you sure I can't get you a body too? It really is a much more ergonomic flask. FLASK WITH THE BLUE FACE Thank you but mine is just fine. I enjoy seeing the world from behind this glass, and I have you to help me see it so I'm more content than ever!

THE ALCHEMIST Well, to each his own.

We see the ALCHEMIST and the BLUE FLASK enjoying the warm sun on the beach together as they sit looking out at the gently crashing waves of the shore.

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