

NEWSCAST

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INT. LIVING ROOM

A slow pan of a living room. When we pass the television a FEMALE NEWSCASTER is on the screen. We hear the dialogue throughout the pan.

NEWSCASTER

And that's why it's never a good idea to try and shave a cat. They say Ken Blake will heal from his injuries but from here on he'd better be careful

NOTE: Time the pan so that it hits the TV right here. If the quality of shooting the TV isn't great after a beat cut to the newsroom. If it's good stick with it.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

Because, as we all know, he doesn't have nine lives.

The Newscaster becomes serious.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

In health news, there has been a major recall of a certain snack product.

CUT TO:

Full screen of a snack package. However the package looks it has to be very memorable. The company and product name on the product are in the dialogue below.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

Ms. Flibbertigibbet's maple flavored meat stick's have been the subject of a total recall.

CUT TO:

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Continue the pan around the living room.

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The FDA has cautioned people from even touching the package. An unknown substance from the snack seems to have seeped through making the packaging itself rather toxic.

The pan gets to the living room table and it is strewn with opened packages of Ms. Flibbertigibbet's maple flavored meat sticks.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

The FDA's haz-mat team is the only safe and authorized to dispose of these deadly snacks.

The pan continues up and we see a MAN's feet and then reveal him.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

It seems touching the snack itself will cause a burning rash on skin. Eating the snack causes a host of maladies including swelling throat, melting of teeth, oddly, shrinking of the tongue and it will turn your insides out as this toxic mixture is swallowed. Not amazingly it most likely will result in a painful death but, shockingly, does seem to be a cure for athletes feet.

We are now dead set on the MAN's face. His eyes are wide open, he's motionless in his shock with a Ms. Flibbertigibbet's maple flavored meat stick hanging out of his mouth.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

If you have had any contact with Ms. Flibbertigibbet's maple flavored meat sticks, even walking past a display, the FDA and World Health Organization suggests you get to the nearest hospital.

The Man struggles to his feet and runs out of the living room.

The pan continues until we see the opened door and the Man long gone.

NEWSCASTER (CONT'D)

Even though both organizations agree that death is most certainly the outcome. They just want to make the pick up of the bodies easier.

(pause)

Next up, a swan who loves to surf.

FADE TO BLACK.