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THE BELL RINGS. THE STUDENTS TAKE THEIR SEATS AS MS. PITTMAN, A SCIENCE-LOVING TEACHER WHO DESPERATELY TRIES TO MAKE LEARNING FUN, ENTERS.

MS. PITTMAN



Morning, class. I bet when you all woke up this morning, the last thing you thought was "I'm gonna have fun in science class." Well you are, because science does... matter. (OFF NO RESPONSE) You'll get that joke by the end of the year. Okay, here's something fun. A new student is joining us today.

BOOKER

(SOTTO, TO CURTIS AND THE GUNTZ) Ooh, I hope it's a pretty girl, 'cause she's gonna be sitting next to the Book-Man.

AS BOOKER PULLS THE EMPTY STOOL NEXT TO HIM CLOSER:

MS. PITTMAN

Class, please welcome Levi Grayson.

BOOKER TURNS TO SEE LEVI ENTERING WITH HIS BACKPACK.

BOOKER

Levi?

RAVEN'S HOME

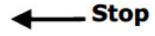
THE GUNTZ

He's not a pretty girl.

BOOKER PUSHES THE STOOL A "DUDE" DISTANCE AWAY.

MS. PITTMAN

This exceptional student is joining us from his fourth grade science class. So let's all give him a positive reaction. (OFF NO RESPONSE) Again, by the end of the year.



MS. PITTMAN FINISHES WRITING ON THE BOARD, "REMINDER: SCIENCE PROJECTS DUE THE END OF THIS WEEK." THE STUDENTS WORK ON VARIOUS SCIENCE PROJECTS AT THEIR STATIONS.

MS. PITTMAN



Now I know you're all having fun working on your projects because science is --

MS. PITTMAN ENCOURAGES THE CLASS TO RESPOND, BUT THEY DON'T.

MS. PITTMAN (CONT'D)

Science is... (NO RESPONSE) It's fun, people! It's fun. However, your projects are due at the end of this week.

THE GUNTZ

(RAISING HAND) Ms. Pittman, when you say our science projects are due "this week," do you mean this this week or next this week?

MS. PITTMAN

I mean three days from now.

CURTIS

When you say "three days from now" --

← Stop

MS. PITTMAN

Friday, Curtis. I mean Friday.

(BRIGHTLY) Have fun!

