

101 WAYS TO PERFORM AN EXORCISM

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INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

A calendar hangs on the wall, flipped to October 2020 page, with the word "Quarantine" scrawled inside of every little day box.

THE ELECTRICIAN, late 50s, leans back on his couch eating pork rinds, drinking, and watching a movie on cable. We get a close up on his hand reaching into the bag of pork rinds, showing that he has no wedding ring (and because of this, no kids.)

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

A cabinet high above the kitchen counter slowly creeks open. A box of cereal is pushed out, falling to the floor and spilling it's nutritious guts everywhere. The Electrician whips around to look into the kitchen, his eyes opened wide.

He gets up from his couch and enters, looking up at the wide open cabinet and then down at the cereal all over the floor. He leans down and scoops up the cereal back into the box, throwing it in his trash can as he leaves.

INT. LIVING ROOM - CONTINUOUS

As goes to sit back down on his couch, his power suddenly cuts out and he's left in the dark. He gives out a single groan.

INT. BASEMENT - CONTINUOUS

He stomps from his couch over to the basement stairs, which he descends at a groggy pace. Reaching the bottom of the flight of stairs, he pats the wall looking for his breaker panel, eventually finding and opening it. He flips his breakers back on and breathes a sigh of relief, turning back towards the stairs. He begins to head back up, but not before noticing a small doll in the corner of the room. He gives it a small look of confusion before climbing back up to the living room.

INT. LIVING ROOM/ DINING ROOM - CONTINUOUS

As he re-enters the room, he notices that his TV has switched back on.

TV
Next up on Movies4U's Halloween
Marathon; the Exorcist, a classic
story of...

His attention is interrupted by a chair at his dining room table being moved a few feet across the room. His face becomes stern for a moment before he crosses the room and whips a laptop out of his work bag, placing it on the dining room table and searching "How to perform an exorcism."

BEGIN MONTAGE:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

The Electrician covers every doorway in his home with a line of salt.

INT. KITCHEN - DAY

The Electrician places a TV dinner lasagna in his oven.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

The Electrician shouts bible verses while holding a cross and bible.

THE ELECTRICIAN
(head towards the ceiling)
BE SOBER, BE VIGILANT; BECAUSE YOUR
ADVERSARY THE DEVIL, AS A ROARING
LION, WALKETH ABOUT, SEEKING WHOM
HE MA--

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

The Electrician sits on his couch, attempting to meditate. His hands are raised into the air, doing an odd hand gesture. His face twitches a bit as if a fly is bothering him. The oven loudly BEEPS. He opens his eyes and sighs in defeat.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

The Electrician sits on his couch, eating his Lasagna and watching the movie on his TV. As a certain scene begins to play, his eyes light up and he places his fork back onto his plate.

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While the scene plays on his TV, the Electrician mimics the priest from the Exorcist; holding the same cross and bible as earlier.

THE ELECTRICIAN
(repeatedly)
THE POWER OF CHRIST COMPELS YOU--

As he mimics the speech, his plate is pushed off the table and his food is splattered across the floor. He stops his speech and whips around to look at the plate, a look of fury in his eyes.

END MONTAGE

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

The Electrician storms back over to his laptop and begins to read from his screen. On his laptop a forum page with comments going back and forth can be seen.

THE ELECTRICIAN (V.O.)
(reading off computer,
person 1)
Well see, the obvious way to deal with a ghost is to find something it's attached to in order to communicate with it. Maybe it had a toy it really liked or something like that?

THE ELECTRICIAN (V.O.)
(reading off computer,
person 2)
You seriously expect to be able to just put out some bait and magically be able talk with a ghost? How exactly do you think you're gonna be able to talk to it?

THE ELECTRICIAN (V.O.)
(reading off computer,
person 1)
Well I mean, you could hire a medium if it weren't for quarantine. Maybe you could throw some sort of powder onto it to force it to reveal itself? I don't know.

THE ELECTRICIAN (V.O.)
(reading off computer,
person 2)

There is no WAY you think that
would work. I say you should just
find whatever the spirit is
attached to and find a way to
electrocute it. Just fry the
sucker.

The Electrician glances towards the basement stairs for a
moment before zoning off, lost in thought.

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

The Electrician stands by his dining room table, placing a
somewhat heavy bag of flour down on the chair. On the table
is a car battery with a single jumper cable attached to it,
which runs down to the other side of the room where a large
aluminum foil sheet lies on the floor. In the middle of the
sheet, the small dusty doll from earlier sits upright, a sown
smile on it's face.

The Electrician lets out a sigh before looking at the other
jumper cable in his hand. He gives a glance towards the car
battery before he hears the aluminum foil rustle slightly.
The doll shifts its head and is raised into the air about two
feet. With panic in his eyes, the Electrician looks at the
car battery and the doll before dropping the jumper cable and
throwing the flour at the specter.

As the dust settles, a YOUNG GIRL, 11, can be seen in a white
dress, coughing the flour out of her lungs. There is a moment
of pause where the girl wipes the dust out of her eyes with
her one hand, the other clutching the doll by it's raggedy
arm. She looks down at the aluminum mat and back up at the
man with fear in her eyes.

YOUNG GIRL
(coming to tears,
stuttering)

I'm so sorry Mister, I was just
trying to have fun with you. I,
you, you're home a lot more than
you usually are and you looked
bored and I'm sorry. I didn't mean
to break anything, I didn't mean to
annoy you I'm sorry...

The Electrician reaches out to her, a look of guilt is in his
eyes but he smiles softly.

THE ELECTRICIAN

Hey, it's alright. I didn't know.

He squats down slightly, putting his hand on her shoulder as she wipes tears out of her eyes.

THE ELECTRICIAN (CONT'D)

If you wanted, maybe we could watch
a movie?