

# *-Sniper-*

## *In Search Of Barney*

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Barney: "I love you, you love me..."

Kid 3: "I love you Barney!!"

[Barney trips over a wire as he approaches Kid 3 to hug him]

Kid 1: "Are you okay Barney?"

[A light, attached to the wire Barney tripped on, falls down]

Barney: "Watch out!!!!"

[Light hits Kid 2]

Kid 2: "Barney hit me with a light! I hate you Barney!!!"

[Kid 2 goes unconscious, and is carried out on a stretcher]

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TV Set: "I love you, you love me..."

Dick: "I hate you Barney. 7 years ago, you almost killed me!"

TV Set: "And remember! I love you!"

[TV Set plays end of Barney theme]

Dick: "Take this you killer!"

[Dick shoots TV]

Jane: "Dick, what on earth?!"

Dick: "Oh Jane, you're such a worrywart. The rifle just has a hair-trigger, that's all."

[Jane nods conspicuously, and leaves]

Dick: "Barney will be mine!"

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[On the Barney Set]

Barney: "Hey kids! It's time for Officer Safety!"

[Barney changes into his Officer Safety uniform]

Barney: "Remember kids, always watch the crossing guard to see when to cross the street!"

Kid 3: "Can we practice Barney?"

Barney: "Sure!"

[Barney holds up stop sign, as kid 3 begins walking]

Kid 3: "Oh, it's a stop sign! I can't cross the street yet!"

[Dick raises rifle and looks through sight]

Dick: "Die Barney!"

[Dick shoots, but bullet hits stop sign and deflects]

Kid 1: "Did you hear that?"

Kid 3: "I sure did!!"

[Dick fires again]

Barney: "What *is* going on back there?"

[Voice from offstage: "Cut!! What are you idiots doing?!"]

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[At Dick/Jane's house]

[Fly is buzzing]

Dick: "Jane, get me the flyswatter will ya?"

Jane[mumbling]: "I'm not his slave..."

Dick: "Well Jane, I almost got him today but I *missed* !!"

Jane: "Got who?" [adds suspiciously] "You're not bountyhunting again are you?"

Dick[recovering]: "Oh no.. Nothing like that. I, uh, meant I almost got him a, uh, uh, *present* and missed him at work... Yeah, that's it..."

Jane: "Uh-huh. Right"

[Fly buzzes more]

Dick: "That stupid fly!!"

[Dick shoots at fly, and succeeds in hitting only himself]

Dick: "Darn, darn, double-darn, of all the fool, imbecile...."

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[Next day. Barney's birthday episode]

Kid 3: "Be quiet guys!"

[Turn off lights, enter Barney singing "I love you.."]

All Kids: "Happy Birthday Barney!!!!!"

Barney: "Oh, for *me* ? I'm so surprised! Thank you... Can I open my presents?" Kid 3: "For your birthday Barney, I got you a great big *hug* !!!!!"

Dick: "And I got you a .44 slug..."

[Barney walks toward kid 3]

Dick: "Die Barney!"

[Dick fires at Barney, but only hits cake]

Kid 1: "What happened tot he cake Barney?"

[Voice from offstage: "Cut! What *is it* with you effects guys, huh?"]

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[In the woods]

Barney: "Nature is interesting, isn't it kids?"

[Kids 1&3 nod in agreement]

Barney: "Remember, never touch animals. They can bite!"

All kids: "We won't!"

Barney: "How about if we go fishing!"

[Kids and Barney go to a lake, while Dick follows quietly with gun]

Kid 3: "Barney this is fun!"

Barney: "Yes this *is* fun, kids. I love each one of you."

All kids: "We love you too, Barney!!"

Dick[moaning]: "Shut *up* !"

[Dick sights Barney]

Kid 3: "I got one!!"

[Kid 3 falls backward, while attempting to set the hook, and hits Barney, as Dick shoots]

Dick: "Darn it all!!!! I missed!"

Kid 1[pointing to fish]: "I didn't know fish had holes!"

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[At Dick/Jane's house]

Dick: "A stop sign. A birthday cake. A *fish* !! **WHY ME?!?!?**"

Jane: "Dick, what are you yelling about? You'll wake the neighbors!"

Dick: "Uh.. I didn't win the, uh, Ed McMahon Sweepstakes.. uh, *again* ."

Jane: "You mean Publisher's Clearinghouse. Are you shooting illegal game out of season again?"

Dick: "Of *course* not! I stopped doing that a *long* time ago, after that polar bear ate my rifle!"

Jane: "I'll have my eye on you, Dick...." [Jane exits]

Dick: "I'll get Barney yet!"

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[Baseball field. Barney is at bat]

Kid 1: "I bet ya can't hit this pitch!"

Dick: "I bet I can hit Barney with a bullet!"

[Kid 1 pitches, and Dick shoots, at same time]

Dick: "Die Barney!"

[Barney swings and misses, but hits bullet with bat]

Barney: "Look kids, there's a hole in the bat!"

Dick: "*No!!* I can't keep missing!!!!!"

Kid 3: "Did you hear that?"

Barney: "I heard it! Someone was yelling....."

[Barney and kids search for person, and find Dick crying]

Dick: "Oh gosh! Not you! GET AWAY!!!"

Kid 3: "Wanna play baseball mister?"

Dick: "Get lost kid! I want to kill Barney!"

[Kids and Barney gasp]

Barney[incredulously]: "Don't you want to *love* ?!"

Dick: "No! I want to KILL you!"

Barney: "Why?"

Dick: "Because you almost killed me with a light 7 years ago, so now I am going to kill you!"

Barney[realizing]: "Oh..... I remember you! I called, and I called, but you never called me back!"

Dick: "Because I was unconscious! And when I woke up, I hated you!"

Barney: "You don't have to hate! Let's be *friends* ."

Dick: "That's almost beginning to sound like a good idea. Whenever I shoot, I always miss you! The only person I've hit is myself, whenever I aim at that imbecile fly!" Barney: "Okay then! We're friends again!"

Dick: "Whoa, not so fast. Not unless you promise to cut some of that mush out of your stupid show! You brainwash those kids!!!!!"

Barney[reluctantly]: "Oookay. I'll change my song lyrics, too. How about that?"

[Dick stands up, as fly begins buzzing]

Dick: "Sounds good!"

[Fly buzzes more]

Dick: "Now *that* is something I want to kill!"

[Dick shoots at fly, but hits himself]

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I like you

You like me

We're pretty close to a family

With a big handshake

And a five from me to you [Cast give each other five]

Won't you say you like us too?