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1. INT. BEDROOM - DAY

We introduce TERENCE (22), self-pronounced prankster.

TERENCE

Hi, my name is Terence, and I would like to consider myself an accomplished prankster. I've pranked many of my friends.

CUT TO

2. INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

We see TERENCE in the middle of putting toothpaste into some OREO biscuits. As he finishes up, a friend walks in.

TERENCE

Eh Leon, come, have an Oreo!

LEON

Oh, thanks man!

LEON bites into the cookie, and immediately spits it out.

LEON (CONT'D)

What the heck man, is this toothpaste?

TERENCE

(laughing)

Ha ha ha!

(to cameraman)

Good right! Good right!

LEON walks away, fists clenched.

3. INT. ADM HALLWAY - INTERVIEW

LEON

This isn't the first time you know? He thinks he's Louis C.K or something. (shrugs)

CUT TO

4. INT. BEDROOM - DAY

TERENCE

I liken myself to Louis C.K. In secondary school, I won an award for being the "MOST NOTORIOUS STUDENT"! They even got me a trophy and everything!

ZOOM OUT TO REVEAL TROPHY.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

But you know, something has inspired me recently. During my last prank, my friend issued me a challenge.

CUT TO

5. INT. SCHOOL - DAY

TERENCE, in a weird getup, is seen hiding near a stairwell as a FRIEND walks by.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

Boo!

WILSON

Eh, try harder lah...

WILSON walks away while TERENCE takes off the mask and ponders.

CUT BACK TO

6. INT. BEDROOM - DAY

TERENCE

He told me to try harder, and so I will! I'm about to plan a master prank; my magnum opus.

(hand gestures )

I plan to fake my own death!  
(evil smile)

7. INT. PARTY SHOP - DAY

TERENCE is going through many party supplies, when he picks up a bottle of FAKE BLOOD and grins at the cameraman.

8. EXT. PARTY SHOP - DAY

INTERVIEW.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

You'd think I'd use real blood for such a prank, but actually... I cannot stand real blood. I think I'll actually faint if I see it, so... Ya lor.

9. EXT. VOID DECK - AFTERNOON

We see TERENCE doing some measurements on the floor. He has a BAG OF SUPPLIES beside him.

10. EXT. VOID DECK - AFTERNOON

INTERVIEW.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

So, the plan is: I'll ask my friends to meet up for school project, and when they come in...

11. EXT VOID DECK - AFTERNOON

TERENCE is seen lying down motionless on the ground.

TERENCE (V.O) (CONT'D)

They'll see me "dead" with a knife beside me, and they'll think I killed myself!

12. EXT VOID DECK - AFTERNOON

INTERVIEW.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

I can't wait to see their reactions. This is going to be EPIC.

13. INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

INTERVIEW W/ WILSON

WILSON

Terence actually asked to meet up to discuss class work. He NEVER does this, so something must be up.

CLASSMATE turns back to another classmate.

WILSON (CONT'D)

Right? I know right!

14. EXT. VOID DECK - DAY

INTERVIEW.

TERENCE

So today's the big day. To be honest, I'm a little nervous, but hey, what could go wrong?

15. EXT VOID DECK - DAY

TERENCE is putting the fake blood on a KNIFE. As he does this, he accidentally cuts his pinky finger.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

Ouch! Oh no, I'm bleeding!

He faints after seeing his own blood. As this happens, his CLASSMATES enter the scene.

WILSON

(sarcastically)

Oh no Terence, are you okay? Don't die leh.

WILSON walks over to TERENCE's body and gives it a few kicks.

WILSON (CONT'D)

Eh, if you don't move, I'm leaving ah.

Nothing happens.

WILSON (CONT'D)

Siao, I'm leaving. Bye.

WILSON walks away. Camera lingers on TERENCE for a while.

16. EXT. VOID DECK - AFTERNOON

TERENCE wakes up and looks around frantically

17. EXT. VOID DECK - EVENING

INTERVIEW

TERENCE

You mean he didn't even help me?  
But he's my friend!

(ponders)

You know, maybe this pranking thing isn't such a good idea in the long run... I should apologise to everyone.

CUT TO

18. INT. ADM CLASSROOM - DAY

TERENCE is seen holding a conference with a few of his friends.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

I'm glad you guys came. This isn't a prank, I just wanted to apologise and assure to everyone that from now, I am no longer a prankster.  
(throws away trophy)

EVERYONE stands up and leaves. TERENCE looks proud of himself.

21. INT. ADM CLASSROOM - DAY

INTERVIEW.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

You know, it feels weird not pulling a prank, but it also feels liberating. I am happy to say that my pranking days are over!

TERENCE walks towards the door and supposedly trips. The CAMERAMAN rushes to help TERENCE up, but TERENCE looks at him and grins.

TERENCE (CONT'D)

Haha gotcha! Just kidding!

TERENCE walks out the door.

END...?