

# Ninety Degrees South

## TRAILER THREE: "*Mikhail's Orientation Video*"

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ELECTRONIC BEEP, STATION HUM

INTRO SAPPY 1950's INSTRUCTIONAL MUSIC

MIKHAIL  
(RUSSIAN ACCENT)

Oh, privet! Hello, I didn't see you standing theres. I am Mikhail. I am Janitor here at smarty-pants research station on ice at South Poles. I am making the tic tac video stream of what **YOU** can expect, when you come to South Pole ice station for works.

JAUNTY JINGLE, SHAKING OF LOCKED RESTROOM DOOR HANDLE

MIKHAIL  
Ahhhhhhh! look who is standing here. It is my good friend Timmy.

THOMAS  
It's Thomas.

MIKHAIL

Terry, can you tell my new Tovarishes here, what to expects when flying to station?

THOMAS

(Nervous)

We'll okay, then you'll unlock the men's room?

MIKHAIL

Let's just see how goes first.

THOMAS

We'll gosh, first off. Congratulations for being selected to work at Amundsen-Scott. It's a highly competitive research facility which only employees the best scientist and contract...

MIKHAIL

(Cuts him off)

**BORINGGGGGG!** Tell peoples about fun stuff. Like vacuuming B-4 lounge, how to mop pine fresh scent onto floor tiles, or where to put thick heavy warm parka coats what feel like bubba hugs when coming in from outside!

THOMAS

(Very Confused)

www.....what?

MIKHAIL

That's right Mikey! (*Beat*) When you come to station, you will come through Destination Alphas. (*Stern*) **WIPE YOUR FEET!** Do not track snow and ice into hallways! Snow and ices melts

in warm station. You makes puddles on clean tile floor. Puddles that make ugly water stains. Give a hoot. Wipe your feet!

THOMAS

(Anxious)

Can I use the men's room now? It's number two!

MIKHAIL

You sure are Tony, .....you sureeeeeeee are!

THOMAS

(URGENT)

Again, it's Thomas, and I really REALLY need to.....

**(Rough Jump effect)**

MIKHAIL

Here we have main staff lounge. This is like the local night club fun place for the smarty pants to disco- boogie and watch many exciting...VHS tape movies like Doctor Zhivago, From Justin to Kelly, or..... Gigli. We have pool tables and couches which stain easy and get guarding by scotch once a month. But most fun had in this room is picking up after yourself! You can have this fun, by putting tape cartridge back in box when done.

**SOUND OF VHS CASSETTE SLIDING INTO BOX**

MIKHAIL

By moving empty popcorn bowls which can fit easy in sink, not just left on coffee tables!

**SOUND OF DISHES BEING PUT IN SINK**

MIKHAIL

Remember old saying....(*sing songy*) when you have some doubts in your brain, put it next to bowl in the sink!

MIKHAIL

Let's go to next place what is exciting....galley!

Harp string transition.

MIKHAIL

Whoa, what great kitchen and eating place to chow down and have talking conversations. Well, look who it is...Lunch Lady Alice.

LLA

Well hi back to you Mikhail, what's with the selfie stick you got there?

MIKHAIL

Why yes, my new *Tovariches* and I would LOVE to hear about kitchen and wonderful food makings Lunch Lady Alice!

LLA

(slightly confused)

Um...oh...okay then. Well, here behind me is the main kitchen, where we make all the meals in the morning, day and night for 40 - 50 people in the winter, and over 250 in the summer.

MIKHAIL

(Fake Surprise)

TWO HUNDRED and FIFTY? *Bozhe moy!* That is many dishes that need cleaning! Not to mention food pieces that drop and crumble into floor carpet fibers. Tell me Lunch Lady Alice; of many ...many....**MANY** delicious foods and treats you make for smarty pants and workers...what is the toughest to clean when they spills it?

LLA

(Unsure)

Um....well now you know there Mikhail, I never really thought about...

MIKHAIL

(Cuts her off)

That's right! Tomato foods and sauce! It sets in and Mikhail is scrubbing spot for 30 minutes long, getting stain out. Napkins! Use them! Put on lap and keep pants clean. Keep pants clean, and carpet clean! Napkins people, be smarty pants, not messy pants!

LLA

I can tell you the specials of the day if you'd....

MIKHAIL

Thanks again Lunch Lady Alice, we'll not **Borscht** you with any more questions! (*chuckle*) Mikhail make Russian jokes. (*two beat*) Ok friends, Mikhail will now take you to smarty pants buildings where scienceing happens. We go to the MAPO lab. Ready to jump in three, two, one!..... right, don't have Postproduction edito....

(Quick jump to MAPO)

MIKHAIL

WOW! What great and creative jumping to SMARTY pants labs off station. Here on Ice, we have 3 lab buildings in Dark Zone. Ooooooooooooo, Spooky name! We also have atmosphere lab with man what talks like weather forecaster. This lab is MAPO. M.A.P.O. Its letters mean.....

(Film splice sound effect)

MIKHAIL

This is building where they examine outer spaces and far away galaxies. They have many telescopes, detectors and science things Mikhail cannot pronounce. Here, we have more Smarty pants equipments, these are computer machines, this is place for storage, that is room where angry smarty pants was murdered in April, and this is coffee machine.

When you come to station, coffee is very popular. Always to be remembering to put mugs of coffee on napkins or on papers. Not on bare table surface. NYET! Make ugly rings. Use circle that looks like rice-cake to put coffee mug on.

SOUND OF DOOR OPENING AND CLOSING

MIKHAIL

Today, our last stop is in Arches. Arches has four buildings buried deeeeeeeep under the ice and station above. This is where we are storing the food, the fuel for generators, where the automobile garage and machine repair rooms are and many of station DeWalts work. DeWalts are station contract workers who are keep station running smooth for smarty pants'.

Now, many peoples ask Mikhail....'Mikhail?' they ask...."Is arches where America governments keep Martian-Alien hidden? Where they work on flying disc machines? Where experiments done on monsters and where big squid head ancient one sleeps?"

Well, as station head Janitor, I can tell you....

ROUGH FILM SPLICE

MIKHAIL

.....But this is simply way it is here. There is just something about the Ice!

BEGIN OUTRO MUSIC, 80% REDUCED

MIKHAIL

UH-oh. Music playing means we have come to end of tour. Where did the times go? So, what should you remembers when arriving on station to help you getting use to ice?

CHEESY 'DING' SOUND

MIKHAIL

Wipe off slush and snows coming into station.

CHEESY 'DING' SOUND

MIKHAIL

Use napkins when eating in Galley room.

CHEESY 'DING' SOUND

MIKHAIL

Put Dishes in sink while using B-1 Lounge

CHEESY 'DING' SOUND

MIKHAIL

Coffee Mugs go on coaster rice cake circles, not tabletops

CHEESY 'DING' SOUND

MIKHAIL

If it glows and is warm to touch, don't pick up. Find a scientist or reasonably sober administrator. You remember these tips, and you too will do perfect fine at Smarty pants station.  
*Dasvidania* for now!

RAISE OUTRO MUSIC TO 100% AND PLAY OUT FOR 4 SECONDS

OUTTRO MUSIC

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