

Just Fine

Episode 1: The Prodigy

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FADE IN:

INT. ARJUN'S OFFICE - DAY

DR. ARJUN PATEL (40s) and JERRY (30s) are standing in front of each other.

ARJUN
Pretend I'm your wife. How will you
talk to me?

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

DEVIN HARPER (20s) is sitting across from COLIN (20s) who is staring at him with wide, creepy eyes.

DEVIN
In the last session, you mentioned
that anytime you thought about the
bear attack, your mind would blank.

INT. ARJUN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Jerry takes his shoe off and throws it.

JERRY
You cheating bitch!

Arjun ducks.

ARJUN
(side eyeing camera)
Oh my god!

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Devin and Colin turn their attention to the noise for a moment. Devin shakes his head and hands Colin a notepad.

DEVIN
I want you to jot down something.
Anything that comes to mind.

CUT TO:

INT. GRACE'S OFFICE - DAY (FLASHBACK)

Insert text: A week earlier

DR. GRACE ELLISON (50s) and Devin are sitting across from one another in Grace's office.

GRACE

You should be proud of yourself
Devin, Colin wasn't even able to
speak before he started seeing you.

DEVIN

I know, but it took so long to get to
make any progress. I'm scared that if
I say the wrong thing, he will
suddenly stop speaking again.

GRACE

When patients experience a traumatic
event, they believe their lives are
completely out of their control.
Maybe allow Colin to take the lead in
your next session.

CUT TO:

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - DAY

Jerry stares at the notepad blankly. There is sudden yelling coming from the hallway. Devin opens the door to see Jerry running in the hall with only his underwear on. Arjun is running after him. Jerry runs past Grace and CASSIDY NGUYEN (20s) who are chatting at the front desk. Arjun stops in front of the desk out of breath as Jerry runs out the front door.

ARJUN

Jerry! Oh, he's off again.

GRACE

Where is he going?

CASSIDY

And why is he almost naked?

ARJUN

(he turns to camera)

Love.

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Devin, still listening in to the conversation, turns to see Colin next to him, who is also watching with a slight smirk.

INT. FRONT DESK - CONTINUOUS

CASSIDY
Should you call the cops?

ARJUN
No let him be, this is good exposure therapy.

CASSIDY
What do we do if he harasses someone?

ARJUN
Once he's out of my office, he's got nothing to do with me.

GRACE
Arjun, go get your client. I'll call the cops.

Arjun sighs and reluctantly leaves to find him.

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Devin closes the door and turns to see Colin drawing.

DEVIN
What are you drawing?

Colin turns the paper around and shows him that he drew a man in just his underwear, resembling Jerry. Devin laughs.

DEVIN (cont'd)
Nice. Let's continue this drawing exercise. How about we try to relate it to your fears.

Colin flips the page and starts drawing again.

INT. GRACE'S OFFICE - DAY

Grace looks out of her office window to see Jerry getting a ticket from a cop while Arjun watches.

GRACE
(to camera)
We get clients like these all the time. The bold ones who have no awareness of just how crazy they are.

She looks out to see the cop looking confused while Arjun and Jerry are awkwardly hugging each other.

GRACE (cont'd)
(to camera)
Then sometimes I ask myself, are my
staff just as crazy as them?

INT. DEVIN'S OFFICE - DAY

Colin smiles and turns the notepad to reveal a large sized
bear with underwear on. Devin nods of approval.

DEVIN
(winks at camera)
Beary good.

INT. FRONT OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Colin walks up to the front desk. Cassidy looks up and
smiles.

CASSIDY
Good session today?

He greets her with an awkward smile.

COLIN
(more confident)
Yes, ma'am. In fact, I'd like to
schedule for another day this week.

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