

Moccus
Sample Sci-fi Horror Script

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GENRE: Sci-fi Horror.

WORLD: Moccus is a planet covered mostly by ice and snow. Its atmospheric composition was deemed similar enough to become a prospective colony for humans.

INTRO: A research team has gone missing on Moccus. The player, **DEMPSEY**, is part of the recovery team sent to find them. He is accompanied by an environmental biologist, **MORENO**. An AI, **IDA**, speaks to **DEMPSEY** and **MORENO** via an integrated comms system in their helmets.

Using data of the team's final transmission, the player has tracked their last known location to a cave north of the research base.

FADE IN:

INT. CAVE - NIGHT

DEMPSEY
Home sweet home.

MORENO
Have a little class, Dempsey...

[GAMEPLAY] Dempsey and Moreno push into a capacious cavern, there's equipment scattered about. A body lies at the entrance.

MORENO
What the hell happened here?

IDA (V.O.)
This place gives me chills...

DEMPSEY
Is that even possible?

IDA (V.O.)
Figure of speech, D.

Speaking of *chills*, if you two don't hurry, you'll be stuck in that cave over night.

Surface temperatures are dropping rapidly.

MORENO
Let's get a move on.

Dempsey examines the body near the entrance. What's left of the face is a bloody mess. The rest of the body is untouched except for the hands, which are gnawed down to the bone.

DEMPSEY
Looks like they found whatever they were looking for down here.

IDA (V.O.)
Or it found them..

Dempsey explores further into the cavern. The rest of the bodies are disfigured in a similar manner to the one near the entrance.

IDA (V.O.)
D, scan the area. Find out what
happened here.

*Dempsey scans a nearby body. The facial features are
entirely obscured by blood or else disfigured.*

DEMPSEY
What are we seeing?

IDA (V.O.)
Based on a composite, this is
Aidan Everett. A biologist.
Strangely, every drop of blood
belongs to him...

MORENO
I'll get a sample for the lab.

*Moreno kneels down and swabs the blood. Dempsey scans
another body.*

IDA (V.O.)
Sterling Smith. Security.
Apparently not very effective at
his job...

Dempsey removes the magazine from a rifle near his body.

DEMPSEY
Whatever attacked them must have
moved fast. Didn't fire a single
round.

*Dempsey explores further into the cavern. There's an
enormous pit at the back of the cavern. Beside it is a
massive idle generator and various excavation tools.*

DEMPSEY
Moreno. Check this out.

MORENO
What were they digging for?

DEMPSEY
I was hoping you'd tell me.

MORENO
There was nothing like this in the
mission briefing...

Whatever the case, this goes way
too deep to have been the work of
the research team. They must have
unearthed this shaft accidentally.

Dempsey kicks a rock into the shaft. It tumbles, disappearing into the darkness. There's no noise.

MORENO

I wonder what's down there...

DEMPSEY

I'm more worried about what came out of there.

A member of the research team lurches out from behind the generator and grabs onto Dempsey. They struggle at the edge of the pit. The researcher's visor is shattered, his ragged mouth and torn lips move ceaselessly.

FADE OUT: