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INT. CAR IN THE PARKING LOT OF A STORE - 2018

Ethan is in the car with his then girlfriend, Bianca.

ETHAN

You want to open packs with me?
Last one.

BIANCA

Yeah!...

She takes the pack

BIANCA (CONT'D)

What do I do?

ETHAN

Just open the pack gently
(beat)
Wait, bless the pack.

BIANCA

What?

ETHAN

Give it a rub and speak to it.
(beat)
Tell it you want an Ohtani.

BIANCA

I want an Ohtani?

ETHAN

Say it like you want it to happen.

BIANCA

Ok... I want an Ohtani!

Rihanna opens the pack of cards and goes through the cards one by one saying the names of each player, some names pronounced wrong.

BIANCA (CONT'D)

Madison Bumgarner...

ETHAN

MadBum! The most clutch postseason pitcher of the last decade.

BIANCA

(Continues)

Michael Brantley, Jiman Choi, Jeff Mathis...

ETHAN

Oh, Jeff Mathis is cool. Crazy because he's a terrible hitter but he knows how to frame up pitches to fool the umpires into thinking balls are strikes. This valued him so much that teams didn't care if he couldn't hit.

BIANCA

Interesting, seems like a good player. Must be valuable?

ETHAN

No, but he's just a unique baseball player.

BIANCA

Oh,
(continues)
Mookie Betts, Jarrod Salta..lamacchia,

until the middle of the pack. It's an Ohtani Rookie Black numbered rookie.

ETHAN

No way!

Girlfriend Smiles.

BIANCA

I got him! Is this a good one?

ETHAN

Hell yeah!

Ethan gets the card and puts it in a penny sleeve and top loader. He's looking at the card.

ETHAN (CONT'D)

No way..... It's numbered. I can't believe we just pulled this.

(beat)

Looks gradable

(MORE)

RON

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ETHAN (CONT'D)

I know we talked about \$10,000 for everything but I've been looking at the most recent comps since Ohtani got his second ring and all of his cards have shot up in value.

RON

Which ones are we talking about?

ETHAN

All of them, but particularly the 2018 Bowman Chrome PSA 10 and the 2024 anime PSA 9.

Ethan shows Ron comps on his phone and Ron just nods in agreement with what he's seeing.

RON

Ohtani's just remarkable huh.
(beat)
How did you acquire all these Ohtani cards?

ETHAN

I'm an Angels fan. So by default I had faith in his game early on.
(beat)
I got lucky, because all the rumors were true. He had the nastiest splitter in the game, almost unhittable. The 50/50 season, 4 MVP seasons, and two rings. He fixed the leg kick and became one of the most scariest players at the plate.
(beat)
We were all wrong though.. he's better than the Babe and what any of us imagined... he made baseball really exciting to watch.

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