

The Street Fair

by

Daniel Brent

Student No.: 1701259

ONE-MINUTE FILM

EXT. STAGE - DAY

A small raised stage is seen in the middle of a street fair. Sitting on the stage is a bed of nails. The stage is surrounded by a crowd of people eagerly chattering as the show is about to start.

CHRIS walks into the crowd holding his son's (MAX) hand.

The presenter (MAGICIAN) struts on stage from behind, wearing a bright red coat and hat. Enthusiatically waves his arms as he speaks.

MAGICIAN

I'm going to need a volunteer for
this first act... Who wants to walk
on the bed of nails?!

Nervous murmurs amongst the crowd as heads constantly turn, trying to avoid eye contact.

MAGICIAN

Anyone?

Max looks up at Chris and smirks.

MAX

Daddy will do it!

Chris looks shocked and nervous. Magician turns to face Chris.

MAGICIAN

Come on up, 'Daddy'!

CHRIS

I don't think I can-

Crowd claps for Chris. Max joins in. Chris reluctantly walks on stage.

MAGICIAN

All you have to do is walk across
this bed of nails. It won't hurt.

Chris looks down at his feet. Then looks over to Max. Looks back down at feet.

CHRIS

Ok, I'll do it.

Crowd goes quiet as Chris takes a deep breath. Magician looks both nervous and excited. Chris lifts his left foot above the bed of nails.

He steps onto the nails. Lifts right foot and places on nails as well.

CHRIS
This isn't so bad!

MAX
Go on daddy!

Chris walks across the whole bed and breathes a sigh of relief as he walks off.

MAGICIAN
Let's give a big hand for 'daddy'!

Crowd cheers. Chris looks over at Max and smiles. Max smiles back.