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Radio play

Alice: Dora

Bruno: Nick

Emily: Los

**Ghostbusters Revisited**

\*After class\*

(School bell rings)

A: Hey Emily, did you notice that Bruno wasn't in class today?

E: Yeah, and that's strange – he usually never ditches class. I wonder what's up with him.

A: Yeah, and this class is really tough; he can't afford to miss it.

E: Should we go to his dorm room and let him copy our notes?

A: Sure, let’s go.

\*Room-1\*

(footsteps)

(Knocking on door)

(Bruno lets out a startled gasp)

A: Bruno, you there? It's Alice and Emily. We're here to bring you our notes from class.

(Door unlocks and opens)

A and E: Why did it take you so long to open the door?

B: Uhh…

A: And why weren’t you in class today?

B: I've been up nights and sleeping during the day.

A: Why would you do that?

B: (in a whisper) …(long pause and embarrassed sigh) Ghosts...

E: What!? I never thought of you as the superstitious type.

B: Well, I was hanging out with some upperclassmen a few days ago, and they were telling me that my dorm is haunted by ghosts, and ghosts are one of my biggest fears. When I was a kid, I couldn't even watch "Casper" without getting scared.

A: Bruno, what nonsense! There’s no such thing as ghosts! (emphatically)

E: Your classmates were just trying to scare you.

B: No. You don’t understand…

A: What do you mean we don’t understand?

B: (with a shaking voice) I heard one with my own ears.

E: Heard what?

B: Moaning…

A: From who? It’s probably one of your neighbours that brought a girl back for the night.

A and E: (Laughing hysterically)

B: No, I’m serious, I really did hear it! For the past few nights around midnight I’ve been hearing moaning coming from the bathroom. I can’t handle this, I can’t sleep at night, I can’t go to school, I can’t study. The ghosts are gonna get me. I think I’m just gonna quit school and go back home where it’s safe...

A: Pull yourself together, for crying out loud! Okay, if you are really that scared, we’ll help you.

E: Yeah. We’ll stay the night and we’ll investigate for you.

B: Really? You girls will really do that for me?

A: Yeah, we can be a team like Scooby-Doo and his gang.

\*Room-2\*

(Night falls, owls hooting, crickets chirping)

(Cuckoo clock cuckoos)

E: It’s midnight and nothing has happened.

A: See, Bruno? There’s nothing to worry about. It’s all in your head.

(Pooping guy: moaning starts)

B: (Gasp) Did you hear that!? There it is.

A: Shh! Listen!

(Pooping guy: moaning like ghosts)

E: (Whispering) He was telling the truth, Alice. What are we gonna do?

A: Man up! There has to be a logical explanation for this. And we’re going to go and find it out!

E: Uh, how about if you go first? We’ll be right behind you.

B: Cowards! Okay.

A: Come on, Bruno, let’s go!

\*Toilet\*

(Steps)

(Pooping guy: moaning)

A: It’s coming from the bathroom.

(Sound of water dripping)

(Pooping guy: moaning gets louder and louder)

A: It’s coming from that stall in the back corner.

B: You sure you wanna go through with this?

A: Yes! No more living in fear!

(Alice kicks the door open)

(Pooping guy screams)

(Alice screams)

(Bruno and Emily scream)

(The three run away)

\*Back in Bruno’s room\*

(Door)

(The three are panting heavily)

E: What did you see, Alice? Are you okay?

(Alice is still panting heavily)

E: Alice? Alice? What did you see?

A: HAHAHAHAHA! (chuckling or laughing loudly)

B: (nervously) Oh no! She’s gone crazy. I think she's possessed. We shouldn't have disturbed the spirits! Oh I’m so sorry…

E: What should we do now? Take her to the hospital?

(Alice stops laughing)

A: Easy guys, I’m not crazy and I’m not possessed. You wanna know what I saw?

E: (a little annoyed) Yes! What was it? Tell us!

A: Well, those weren’t the moans of a ghost, a demon, an extra-terrestrial, or anything like it.

B: (a little angry) Stop beating around the bush, Alice! Get to the point!

A: (really slowly) It...was…just…a guy having a bad crap!

B: What! It was a guy pooping?!

A: Yeah, I guess you could say that you weren't the only one having a CRAPPY day.

(Laughter and "Bad day" by Daniel Powter)

(1 sec fade in) "Cause you had a bad day

You're taking one down

Oh you had a bad day

You had a bad day" (3sec fade out)

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