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PETITIONER'S EXHIBIT #70  
Erin Hutcheson notes from Box "C"

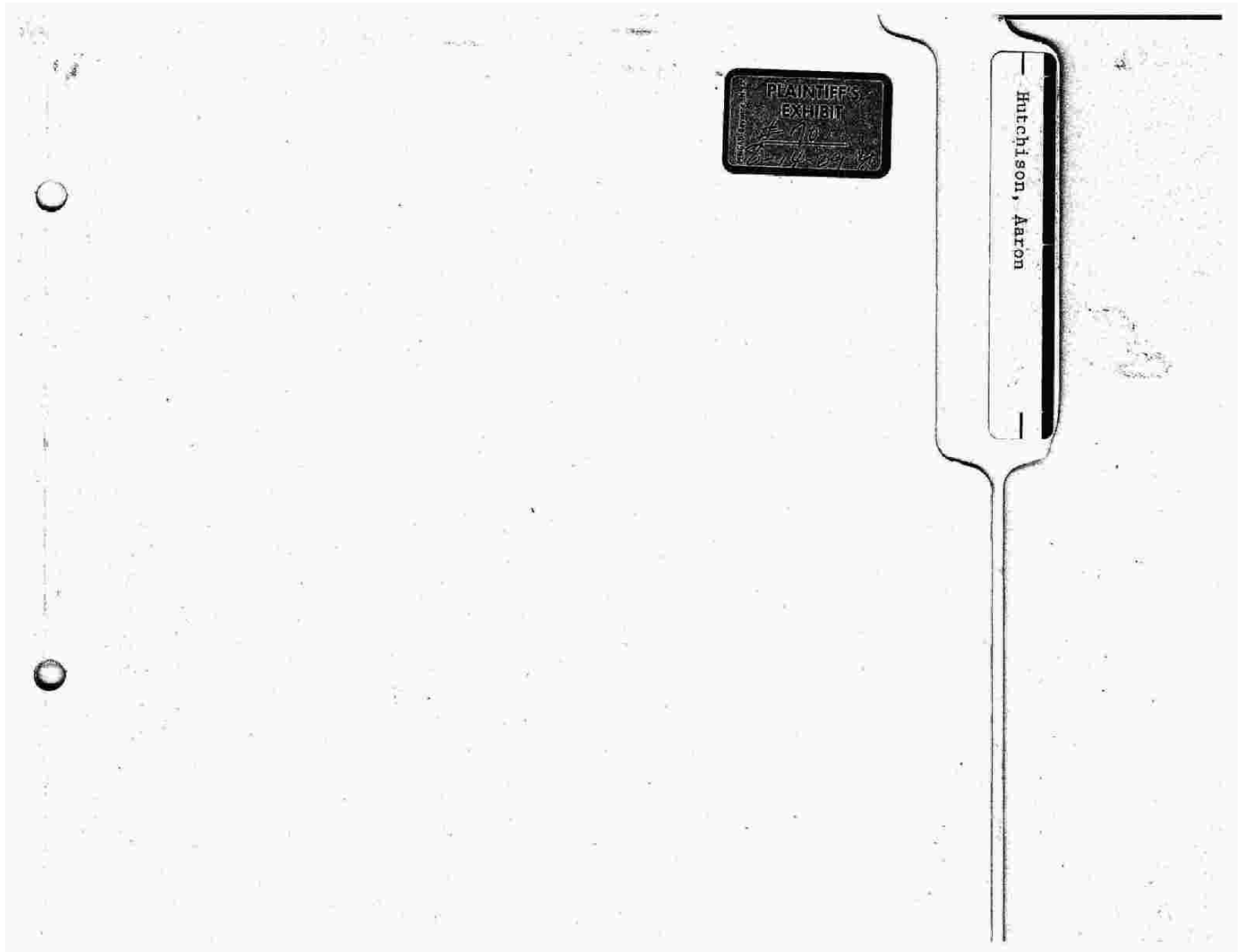
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10 June 1993

det. gitchell

enclosed are copies of notes of caron's  
last 2 sessions. on note for 8 June  
see what you think of his comments  
re Steve B.

i believe the essence of this child's  
info. i am uncomfortable with how  
he got there & got away. i think  
he can only present in manageable  
pieces and with time he can fill  
in the puzzle.

call when i can be of help -

judy hicks

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28 June 1993

Lt. Gary Gitchell  
West Memphis Police Department  
100 Court St.  
West Memphis, AR 72301

RE: Aaron Hutcheson

Dear Lt. Gitchell:

This is just a brief update as I am going out of town for a week. I have seen Aaron only once since we last spoke, and he presented no new information. Actually, we barely discussed the homicides and the arrests. He has missed one appointment, and I will follow up with him and his mom when I return.

I did finally receive part of his hospital record which gave no significant information. I will follow up with Dr. Davis in this regard.

If you need to contact me I will be back at the office on the 7th of July.

Sincerely,

*Judy Hicks*  
Judy Hicks, ACSW, LCSW  
Clinical Social Worker

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## AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I, Victoria Melodean Hatcheson (Mother of Aaron),  
(patient name or authorized person, DOB and address)

do hereby authorize East Arkansas Mental Health,  
(hospital, physician, etc.)

to release any or all medical data requested pertaining to previous  
confinements or treatment of Aaron Kyle Hatcheson  
(patient name, DOB and address)

on Jan, 1993 through 5-28-93  
(dates) (approximate of treatment)

to release information to Officer(s) of the West Memphis Police  
Department, 100 Court Street, West Memphis, Arkansas 72301.

This authority extends to the furnishing of copies of the hospital  
and or medical records and shall remain in force unless revoked by  
giving notice to this facility.

Date 5-28-93 Signed X Victoria M. Hatcheson

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

If signature other than patient, please specify relationship.

Mother of Aaron Kyle Hatcheson

Officer/Person receiving information: Detective Bryn Ridge or  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Police Agent of His

Judy Nicks

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East Ark Mental Health - 1735-6923

**CEFOBID**<sup>q12h</sup>  
(cefoperazone sodium)

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**WHEN PNEUMONIA<sup>®</sup> STRIKES  
THE ALREADY STRICKEN**

5-7-93 ~~5-16-93~~

Boy in class said he  
saw Michael Moore walk  
up to a Maroon car with  
one of his friends.

\*Due to susceptible strains of indicated organisms, including *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*,  
*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, and *Enterobacter* species.  
Please see Cefobid<sup>®</sup> (cefoperazone sodium) prescribing information on last pages.

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ONCE-A-DAY  
**Diflucan**<sup>®</sup> ORAL  
(Fluconazole) IV

The Antifungal Effectiveness You Need,  
The Safety Profile You Want.

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(Wed. Papa Scarlett Club - Picture in  
No Lic # on Vehicle. Paper.  
Vehicle Burg Col. Older 4 Door.  
Bigger car. Kept riding around  
and looking around at Maddox  
and at Bragg. W/M Long Black  
Hair - parted in middle. Buck  
Teeth - mustache & short beard.  
Hungry Looking.

\*Effective in the treatment of candidiasis and cryptococcal meningitis due to *Candida* spp. and *Cryptococcus neoformans*.

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5-10-93  
11:40 a.m. int

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Alice Woods 408 S. 8<sup>th</sup> 2-1601 wk. 2-8572

Does not recall having seen any young w/m or a young w/m with an older w/m - states that they were very busy at the store that night and there is a chance that they could have come in and she could have been doing something else and just did not see them.

Gave her a description of the older w/m states that that does not sound familiar.

Showed her a picture of Chris states that she does not recall having ever seen him in the store.

12:20 p.m. Deane Taylor w/m 8. 802 "McAuley Weaver

States that on Wed. 5-5-93 after school he saw Michael, Steven + Chris - Never mind - Somebody told him things - he did not see them.

Aaron Hutchinson - states that after school on Wed.

he saw a B/m in a maroon car stop and tell Michael that his mother told him to pick him up and take him home. States that he saw Michael get into the car and they left traveling east on E. Barton. States that he was a B/m - his head almost touched the top of the roof - had yellow teeth - wearing a T-shirt with some writing on it.

Blue Cap w/m

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## STATEMENT FROM AARON HUTCHESON

THIS IS DET. BRYN RIDGE CURRENTLY IN THE WEST, IN THE MARION DEPARTMENT TODAY'S DATE 05-27-93 THE TIME IS 5:17 P. M. CURRENTLY IN THE MARION POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH INSPECTOR GARY GITCHELL, DET. SGT MIKE ALLEN, AND CHIEF DON DRAY. AND WE ARE HERE INTERVIEWING AARON WHAT IS YOUR LAST NAME?

AARON: KYLE HUTCHESON

RIDGE: AARON KYLE HUTCHESON, DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR BIRTH DATE IS KYLE OR AARON?

AARON: [REDACTED]

RIDGE: [REDACTED] WHAT YEAR?

AARON: 85

RIDGE: [REDACTED] OF 85, ALRIGHT AARON I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE SOME CLOSE FRIENDS

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: AND THAT THOSE WERE SOME OF YOUR BEST FRIENDS IN THE WORLD? AND THAT SOMETHING HAPPENED TO THEM ABOUT 3 WEEKS AGO NOW AND THEY GOT KILLED IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, DID YOU SEE THEM THE DAY BEFORE THEY GOT KILLED ?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY WHEN YOU GOT OUT OF SCHOOL WHAT WAS IT THEY WERE GOING TO DO THAT DAY?

AARON: BEFORE THEY DID ANYTHING THEY WENT UP TO MY MAMA'S TRUCK AND THEY ASKED HER IF I COULD GO OVER TO MICHAEL'S HOUSE TO GO UH, GO, GO WITH, GO WITH THEM TO PLAY SOME WHERE THAT WAS WHERE OUR CLUB WAS

RIDGE: ALRIGHT, YOU'VE BEEN TO YOUR CLUB BEFORE WITH THEM?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: ALRIGHT, CAN YOU EXPLAIN TO ME WHERE THE CLUB IS?

AARON: ITS, ITS IN UH, ITS IN THOSE WOODS WHERE UH, WHERE THAT STOP SIGN IS AND ITS

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RIDGE: IS THE WOODS HAVE THEY GOT A NAME THEY CALL THEM ROBIN HOOD IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: IT IS OKAY, YOU'VE BEEN DOWN THERE BEFORE?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: DO YOU GO DOWN THERE A LOT?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE WHO ALL WENT WITH YOU MOST THE TIME?

AARON: MICHAEL AND CHRIS

RIDGE: OKAY, AND WHAT DID YOU DO WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE?

AARON: WE PLAYED

RIDGE: OKAY, DID YOU EVER

AARON: AND THEN SOMETIMES WE WATCHED THESE MEN

RIDGE: THESE MEN, OKAY WHAT WERE THESE MAN DOING?

AARON: THEY WERE UH, DOING NASTY STUFF

RIDGE: DOING NASTY STUFF, WHERE DID YOU SEE THEM DOING THIS STUFF?

AARON: IN ROBIN HOOD UH, THE PLACE WHERE THE BOARDS ARE

RIDGE: WAS IT THERE WHERE YOUR CLUB IS OR WAS IT SOME WHERE ELSE IN THOSE WOODS?

AARON: IT WAS RIGHT BESIDE OUR UM, TREE HOUSE

RIDGE: RIGHT BESIDE IT, OKAY, NOW YOU SAY THEY ARE DOING NASTY STUFF, WERE THEY SAYING ANYTHING?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT WERE THEY DOING?

AARON: THEY, THEY DO WHAT MEN AND WOMAN DO

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW WHERE THEY DRESSED?

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AARON: THEY HAD, ALL OF THEM HAD ON UM BLACK T-SHIRTS  
AND EXCEPT ONE

RIDGE: OKAY, THE ONE WHAT DID HE HAVE ON?

AARON: HE HAD ON A WHITE T-SHIRT

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW OLD WOULD YOU THINK THEY ARE?

AARON: SOME WHERE AROUND TWENTY

RIDGE: AROUND TWENTY, WERE THEY LIKE TEENAGERS OR  
DO YOU THINK THEY WERE STILL IN SCHOOL OR DO YOU THINK THEY  
HAD JUST GOT OUT OF SCHOOL ABOUT THAT AGE GROUP?

AARON: UM, LIKE THEY ALL LOOKED UM, LIKE MY MOM

RIDGE: LOOK LIKE YOUR MOM, SORTA OF YOUNG

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: EXCEPT MY MOM IS THIRTY

RIDGE: OKAY, BUT YOUR MOM LOOKS YOUNG, DOESN'T SHE  
YOU LIKE THAT UM?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY, UM, YOUR SAYING THEIR DOING THINGS LIKE  
MAN AND WOMEN WOULD BE DOING

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: WHEN I SAY HAVING SEX IS THAT WHAT YOUR  
DESCRIBING?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW WOULD THEY HAVE SEX?

AARON: THEY WOULD UM, THEY WOULD WIPE EACH OTHER LIKE  
UM, LIKE UM, LIKE THEY DID UM TO MICHAEL, CHRIS AND STEVE  
THEY SAID

GITCHELL: WERE THEY IN FRONT OF EACH OTHER OR BEHIND  
EACH OTHER?

AARON: IN FRONT OF EACH OTHER

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN THEY WERE HAVING SEX WAS IT HAVING  
SEX IN THE FRONT OR HAVING SEX IN THE BACK?

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AARON: IN THE FRONT

RIDGE: WITH THEIR MOUTH, WHERE THEY HAVING SEX WITH THEIR MOUTH?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: THEY WERE OKAY, ALRIGHT, WHEN'S THE LAST TIME YOU SAW THAT HAPPEN?

AARON: THE DAY BEFORE WE MOVED, WHICH IS UH, WHICH WAS ABOUT A MONTH AGO

RIDGE: OKAY, AND YOU SAW IT HAPPEN THEN?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: DID THIS HAPPEN REAL OFTEN ?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: HOW OFTEN ?

AARON: IT HAPPENED FIVE TIMES

RIDGE: FIVE TIMES YOU SAW IT HAPPEN FIVE TIMES? WAS IT LIKE EVERY DAY OR ONCE WEEK OR JUST FIVE DIFFERENT TIMES YOU SAW IT HAPPEN?

AARON: IT WAS EVERY DAY BUT, IT WAS EVERY TIME, BUT IT EVERY TIME BUT UM, THE FRIDAY

RIDGE: EVERY TIME BUT FRIDAY? THEY DIDN'T DO IT ON THAT FRIDAY? OKAY, DID YOU KNOW ANY OF THE BOYS?

AARON: YES SIR, I DON'T KNOW NONE OF THE MEN

RIDGE: THE MEN, THE MEN, YOU DIDN'T KNOW ANY OF THEM? HAD NEVER SEEN THEM BEFORE?

X AARON: UN UH (NO) WE HAVE ONLY SEEN ONE IN FLASH MARKET

RIDGE: YOU SAW ONE OF THOSE FIVE IN THE FLASH MARKET? WAS THERE ALWAYS FIVE PEOPLE THERE?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

GITCHELL: DID THIS GUY DID HE JUST WALK IN FLASH MARKET AND BUY SOMETHING OR DID HE WORK THERE?

AARON: HE WALKED IN TO FLASH MARKET BOUGHT, BUY SOMETHING, WE DIDN'T BUY NOTHING WE JUST WENT IN THE STORE AND RAN RIGHT OUT

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GITCHELL: WERE YOU AND ALL THE BOYS TOGETHER ?  
AARON: JUST ME MICHAEL AND CHRIS  
GITCHELL: HOW LONG AGO WAS THAT?  
AARON: UM, A MONTH AND HALF  
GITCHELL: BEFORE THEY GOT HURT? HOW LONG BEFORE THEY GOT HURT?  
AARON: ABOUT REAL REAL LONG  
GITCHELL: OKAY, BUT THE GUY DIDN'T WORK THERE THEY WERE THE GUY WAS JUST BUYING SOMETHING IN THERE?  
AARON: HE JUST BUYED SOMETHING IN THERE  
GITCHELL: OKAY,  
AARON: AND THIS LADY HE SAID, SHE SAID HIS NAME, SO WE THOUGHT SHE KNEW HIM  
GITCHELL: DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT THE NAME WAS?  
AARON: UN UH (NO)  
GITCHELL: OH, OKAY  
RIDGE: ALRIGHT, WHEN YOU SAW THESE FIVE OUT THERE IN THE WOODS AND THEY WERE DOING THESE THINGS THAT WERE BAD OKAY WAS THIS AT DAYTIME OR WAS IT NIGHTTIME?  
AARON: IT WAS BOTH  
RIDGE: IT WAS EARLY IN THE MORNING OR LATE AT NIGHT OR LATE IN THE EVENING?  
AARON: IT WAS, WHEN EVER WE GOT OUT OF SCHOOL WE WENT THERE ABOUT FOUR  
RIDGE: OKAY  
AARON: AND THEY NEVER GOT THERE BEFORE WE DID  
RIDGE: YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE FIRST, WHAT DID YOU ALL HIDE AND WAIT FOR THEM?  
AARON: YEAH (YES) WILL WE ALWAYS, WE ALWAYS GOT A PLACE TO HIDE BEFORE THEY CAN GET THERE  
RIDGE: WHERE DID YOU HIDE?

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AARON: WE HIDE ONE TIME WE HIDE BEHIND UM A TREE,  
SIDEWAYS AND WE GOT IN OUR CLUB HOUSE

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: OUR CLUB HOUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED  
TO, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO IT

RIDGE: WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU WERE DOWN AT YOUR  
CLUB HOUSE AND IT WAS THERE?

ARRON: IT WAS THE DAY BEFORE WE WERE GOING TO MOVE

RIDGE: OKAY, AND IT WAS THERE THE DAY BEFORE YOU WERE  
GOING TO MOVE.

GITCHELL: WAS, ... WAS, WAS THE CLUB HOUSE THERE, YOU  
KNOW THE DAY YOU WERE TELLING US ABOUT THE UM, YOUR FRIENDS  
WANTING YOU TO GO SOME WHERE, UM WAS THE CLUB HOUSE THERE THE  
DAY BEFORE?

AARON: NO SIR

GITCHELL: IT WAS GONE BEFORE THEN?

AARON: WHENEVER WE WENT THERE AFTER WE DIDN'T GO  
UNTIL AFTER SCHOOL, I DIDN'T

RIDGE: ALRIGHT, AFTER YOU MOVED DID YOU GO DOWN THERE  
ANYMORE?

AARON: NO SIR

RIDGE: YOU DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO GO BACK?

AARON: I HAVEN'T EVER GOT TO SEEN IT, SEEN IT, I  
DIDN'T EVER SEE IT EXCEPT THE DAY I WENT THERE WHEN EVER THEY  
SAID THEY FOUND THEM

RIDGE: OKAY, ALRIGHT DID CHRIS AND MICHAEL DID THEY  
TELL YOU THAT THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD GOT CAUGHT, THAT THE FIVE  
MAN MAY HAVE CAUGHT THEM? THEY WEREN'T SCARED THAT MAYBE  
SOMEBODY HAD SEEN THEM IN THERE ONE DAY?

AARON: UH-UH (NO), BECAUSE THEY NEVER SEEN US

RIDGE: THEY NEVER SAW YOU? OKAY, DID THEY HAVE ANY  
KIND OF JEWELRY ON NECKLACES, WATCHES OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT  
JUST?

AARON: THERE WAS A SKULL COMMANDER HE HAD ON A  
NECKLACE OF SKULL AND THERE IS A SNAKE IN IT'S EYE

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RIDGE: THE COMMANDER, THE SKULL COMMANDER IS THAT  
WHAT YOU CALLED HIM, HE HAD ON A NECKLACE, IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: YEAH (YES) HE HAD ON A NECKLACE

RIDGE: OKAY, AND IT HAD SOME KIND OF A PENDANT ON IT?  
OR UM, SOME KIND OF AN ANIMAL

AARON: A LITTLE SNAKE ON IT EYE, RIGHT HERE

RIDGE: A SNAKE INSIDE THE EYE?

AARON: AND THE TONGUE WAS STICKING OUT OF THE SNAKES  
EYE, THE SNAKES TONGUE

RIDGE: OKAY, AND YOU SAW THAT ON THE ONE, WAS THIS  
THE ONE WEARING THE WHITE SHIRT OR IS THIS JUST ANOTHER ONE?  
DESCRIBE THAT GUY FOR ME YOU SAW?

AARON: IT WAS THE ONE, IT WAS THE ONE THAT... THAT  
WASN'T WEARING THE WHITE SHIRT

RIDGE: OH, HE WASN'T WEARING A WHITE SHIRT

AARON: HE WAS THE ONE WEARING THE BLACK ONE

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT KIND OF HAIR DID THEY HAVE, DID ANY  
OF THEM HAVE HAIR THAT JUST STUCK OUT, THAT JUST, THEY DIDN'T  
LOOK FUNNY?

AARON: SOME OF THEM HAD LONG HAIR, AND I THINK MOST  
OF THEM HAD LONG HAIR

RIDGE: OKAY, YOU SAY LONG HAIR YOU MEAN DOWN ON THEIR  
SHOULDERS OR JUST

AARON: ON THEIR NECK

RIDGE: RATTY LOOKING LONG HAIR

AARON: ON THE NECK

RIDGE: DOWN ON THEIR NECK, OKAY,

GITCHELL: DID YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS EVER UM, WADE AROUND  
IN THE WATER AND PLAY AROUND THERE, OR MAYBE GO SWIMMING OR  
SOMETHING?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

GITCHELL: YOU ALL NEVER DID THAT? OKAY... OKAY

AARON: WE NEVER GOT CLOSE TO WATER

GITCHELL: OKAY, DID YOU EVER WALK ACROSS THE PIPE?

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AARON: YES SIR

GITCHELL: ALL OF YOU WOULD WALK ACROSS THE PIPE ,WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH YOUR BICYCLES?

AARON: WE WOULD LAY THEM, WE... WE WOULD LAY BY THE UM, BY THE... BY THE UM, IT WAS IN THE UM, PART WHERE WE WHERE WE UM, ON THE END OF THE PIPE

GITCHELL: OKAY,

AARON: NOT ON THE END WHERE THEY DO IT, PUT WHERE YOU WOULD WALK ACROSS IT

GITCHELL: OKAY, SO IT WOULD BE BEHIND WHERE THE STOP SIGN IS AT? WHERE YOU WOULD LAY YOUR BIKES?

RIDGE: YOU WOULDN'T... YOU WOULDN'T TAKE THE BICYCLES ACROSS WITH YOU?

AARON: NO, WE DIDN'T, WE KIND OF LEFT THEM RIGHT BESIDE THE PIPE

RIDGE: SO NOBODY WOULD GET THEM? OKAY, DID YOU EVER GO ACROSS PIPE EVER THERE AND SEE ANYBODY OVER THERE?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: NEVER DID, DID YOU LIKE TO GO OVER THERE AND WALK AROUND TO? WHERE WOULD YOU GO WHEN YOU WOULD GO OVER THERE?

AARON: WE JUST WENT ALL... ALL KINDS OF PLACES, CAUSE WE WOULD ALWAYS PLAYED, AND SOMETIMES WE LOST EACH OTHER IN THERE

RIDGE: DID YOU GO TO THE BLUE BEACON, THE TRUCK WASH?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: WE SEEN THEM, WE THE TRUCKER COME IN, AND WASH HIS TRUCK

RIDGE: UM HUH (YES) DID YOU ALL LIKE TO PLAY OVER THERE?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: DID YOU ALL EVER SEE ANYBODY OVER THERE ON THAT SIDE THAT MAY HAVE SCARED YOU OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

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AARON: NO

RIDGE: HOW ABOUT THOSE FIVE BOYS DID YOU EVER SEE THOSE FIVE BOYS ON THAT SIDE? OKAY, WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE DID YOU HAVE A BICYCLE? DO YOU HAVE YOUR OWN BICYCLE? SO HOW ABOUT DO YOU KNOW STEVE, DID HE EVER GO DOWN THERE WITH YOU?

ARRON: UM, ONLY ONE TIME

RIDGE: ONE TIME, WERE THEY, WERE YOU ALL WATCHING THE FIVE MEN DOWN THERE THAT TIME WHEN HE WENT WITH YOU?

AARON: NO, HE'S NEVER... WE NEVER TOLD HIM ABOUT IT, HE'S NEVER SEEN THEM

RIDGE: OH, OKAY

AARON: CAUSE IT WAS ON A FRIDAY WHENEVER HE WENT DOWN THERE WITH US

RIDGE: DID YOU EVER TELL ANYBODY ABOUT IT?

ARRON: HU-UH (NO)

RIDGE: WHY? YOU JUST THOUGHT IT WAS BAD? OKAY, THIS

AARON: MICHAEL AND CHRIS SAID NOT TO TELL NOBODY

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT ABOUT THIS NECKLACE THAT YOU SAW AND THAT EMBLEM, HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THAT EMBLEM LIKE THAT BEFORE?

AARON: NO SIR

RIDGE: NEVER SAW IT BEFORE

AARON: MY MOM'S GOT IT,

RIDGE: SHE'S GOT IT,

AARON: AT OUR HOUSE,

RIDGE: THE SAME ONE?

AARON: IT HAS EVERYTHING ON IT

RIDGE: IT HAS EVERYTHING ON IT, THAT'S WHAT SHE FOUND AT HER HOUSE IS THE ... THE SAME ONE YOU SAW OUT IN THE WOODS?

AARON: THAT'S THE SAME ONE I SEEN THE PICTURE, SEEN IT... SEEN IN THE PICTURE AND IN OUT IN THE WOODS

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RIDGE: SEEN IN, I'M CONFUSED A LITTLE BIT, OKAY, BUT YOU SAW THIS NECKLACE ON THIS GUY OUT IN THE WOODS AND HE WAS LIKE THE LEADER IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: NO

RIDGE: HE WASN'T LIKE A LEADER?

AARON: I DON'T THINK THERE WAS A LEADER IN THERE

RIDGE: OKAY, I'VE GOT A PICTURE IN FRONT OF ME, UM IS THIS THE PICTURE YOUR TALKING ABOUT?

AARON: YEA (YES) THAT ONE WITH THE SKULL WITH UM, THE SNAKE WRAPPED AROUND

RIDGE: OKAY, THAT'S THE SAME ONE YOU SAW ON THE GUY OUT IN THE WOODS? IT'S JUST LIKE IT? IS THAT THE NECKLACE?

AARON: YES SIR THAT'S IT

RIDGE: THAT'S IT

GITCHELL: IS THAT THE NECKLACE THAT WAS ATTACHED TO, HANGING FROM?

RIDGE: OKAY

GITCHELL: OKAY, ARE YOU SURE ITS NOT A DIFFERENT KIND OF NECKLACE?

AARON: NO, IT LOOKS, LIKE A DIFFERENT ONE TO ME

GITCHELL: OKAY A DIFFERENT NECKLACE BUT THE SAME KIND UM, UH, THAT'S CALLED A MEDALLION THAT'S THE SAME KIND OF LITTLE THING RIGHT THERE OR CLOSE TO IT

RIDGE: THAT THING WITH... WITH THE SNAKE GOING THROUGH HIS EYE, YOU KNOW THAT'S WHAT YOU SAW OUT IN THE WOODS?

AARON: YEAH (YES) I WAS GOING TO TELL MY MOM, THAT'S WHAT I SAW OUT IN THE WOODS, THAT'S NOT THE NECKLACE

GITCHELL: OKAY

RIDGE: OKAY, NOW WHEN WE GO TO THE NEXT PICTURE, THAT NECKLACE IS NOT WHAT YOU SAW THAT PENDANT HANGING ON? IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: (inaudible)

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RIDGE: OKAY... OKAY I UNDERSTAND NOW, ALRIGHT SINCE THIS THING HAPPENED, AND CHRIS AND MICHAEL WERE KILLED. OKAY, HAVE YOU TALKED TO ANY OF YOUR LITTLE FRIENDS, THAT MIGHT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED?

\* AARON: NOBODY KNOWS WHAT HAPPENED BUT ME, OUT OF ALL MY FRIENDS

RIDGE: BUT YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: TELL ME WHAT YOU THINK HAPPENED?

AARON: THEY UM, THEY WENT DOWN TO WATCH THOSE MEN AND

GITCHELL: NOW WHAT DAY DID THEY GO BACK TO WATCH THEM?

AARON: IT WAS ON... ON A WEDNESDAY

GITCHELL: ALRIGHT WERE YOU GOING TO GO WITH THEM, DID YOU WANT TO GO WITH THEM?

AARON: YEAH (YES), MY, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THEY WERE REALLY GOING TO DO

\* GITCHELL: DID SOMEONE NOT LET YOU GO?

AARON: MY MOM

GITCHELL: OKAY

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT DO YOU THINK HAPPENED TO THEM?

AARON: I THINK THEY WAS WATCHING THEM MEN LIKE... LIKE WE ALWAYS DID, AND THEY... THEY GOT CAUGHT, AND THEN THEY NEVER TOLD THE MEN, AND THE MEN SORTA KILLED THEM

RIDGE: UM, DO YOU THINK THOSE MEN WERE CRAZY? DO YOU THINK THEY WERE CRAZY

AARON: THEY WERE SMOKING

RIDGE: FOR DOING WHAT THEY WERE DOING?

AARON: THEY WERE ROLLED UP UM, CIGARETTES THERE WAS ALL KIND OF WHITE

RIDGE: KINDA WHITE CIGARETTES?

AARON: ALL WHITE

RIDGE: OH, SO IT WASN'T A CIGARETTE LIKE YOU GET OUT

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OF A PACKAGE THAT'S GOT A FILTER ON IT, IT WAS

AARON: THEY JUST HAD UM, LITTLE WHITE... WHITE UM,

RIDGE: DID YOU SEE THEM ROLL THEM UP

AARON: THEY HAD, THEY PUT SOME... SOME OF THAT  
TOBACCO STUFF IN THERE AND THEN ROLLED IT UP,

RIDGE: UH-UM (YES)

AARON: THEY... THEY HAD FIRE, BUT THEN THEY MADE A  
FIRE ONE TIME AND THEY PUT IT ON THERE AND THEY SMOKED IT.///

RIDGE: DID YOU EVER SMELL THE SMOKE? WHAT DID IT  
SMELL LIKE DID IT STINK?

AARON: YEAH (YES) IT STUNK

RIDGE: WHAT IT SMELL LIKE?

AARON: IT SMELLED LIKE, IT SMELLED LIKE A CIGARETTE  
JUST GETTING LIT BUT IT WAS A DIFFERENT KIND

RIDGE: DIFFERENT FROM A REGULAR CIGARETTE? DIDN'T  
SMELL LIKE A REGULAR CIGARETTE?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: OKAY

ALLEN: HOW CLOSE WHEN YOU, I GUESS YOU ALL WERE  
HIDING KEEPING REAL QUITE, HOW CLOSE WERE THEY TO YOU?

AARON: FIVE FEET AT LEAST FIVE FEET AWAY

ALLEN: OKAY, WHEN YOUR TALKING... TALKING CLOSENESS  
UM, WITHIN THE DISTANCE OF THIS ROOM OR FURTHER?

GITCHELL: I'LL TELL YOU WHAT IN... IN A LITTLE BIT WE'LL  
WE, WOULD YOU WANT TO TAKE US OUT THERE AND SHOW US WHERE  
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT

AARON: YES SIR

GITCHELL: OKAY, WE CAN GET A BETTER... BETTER JUDGE OF  
DISTANCE THEN

AARON: A BETTER LOOK AT IT

GITCHELL: OKAY... OKAY

RIDGE: WHAT ABOUT ANY ANIMALS THAT HAVE BEEN OUT  
THERE, DO YOU REMEMBER ANY THINK ABOUT

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AARON: ALL THERE WAS IS ONE DOG, IT LOOKED KINDA LIKE  
A CANINE DOG

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: BECAUSE IT HAD A LONG MOUTH AND IT TAL... A  
LONG MOUTH STICKING OUT AND UH, KINDA LITTLE NOSE AND IT WAS  
UM, IT WAS KINDA BIG AND BROWN

RIDGE: OKAY, WHO HAD THAT DOG?

AARON: ALL, I THINK IT WAS ALL MEN, CAUSE THEY WAS  
MEAN TO HE, THEY JUST UM, PUSHED HIM AROUND ONE BY ONE

RIDGE: PUSHED HIM AROUND? HOW DID THEY PUSH IT?

AARON: THEY, ONE GUY HAD HIM, AND THEY PUSHED IT TO  
THE OTHER, AND

RIDGE: WHAT WOULD THEY PUSH HIM WITH?

AARON: THEY WOULD PUSH HIM WITH HIS HANDS

RIDGE: OKAY

GITCHELL: HOW WERE THEY PUSHING THE DOG LIKE?

AARON: LIKE THAT

RIDGE: WHAT DID THEY END UP DOING TO THE DOG?

AARON: NOTHING, THEY JUST BEING MEAN TO IT

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: THEY TEASED IT LIKE THEY WERE GOING TO WHIP  
IT

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW ABOUT SOME CATS, WERE THERE SOME  
CATS OUT THERE?

X AARON: YEAH (YES) THEY CAUGHT CAT THEY CUT HIS HEAD  
OFF AND ATE IT

RIDGE: THEY DID WHAT?

AARON: ATE A CAT

RIDGE: GOODNESS, DID THEY EAT HIS HEAD, OR DID THEY  
EAT THE WHOLE CAT?

AARON: THEY ATE THE WHOLE CAT BUT HIS HEAD

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RIDGE: EVERYTHING BUT HIS HEAD

GITCHELL: DID THEY COOK HIM FIRST?

AARON: THEY COOKED HIM FIRST, CUT OFF HIS HEAD AND THEN COOKED HIM AND THEN ATE HIM

RIDGE: WHAT DID THEY DO WITH HIS HEAD? DID THEY KEEP IT?

AARON: I THINK THEY KEEPEED IT

RIDGE: OH

AARON: OR THREW IT AWAY, CAUSE ONE OF THE MEN THREW IT

RIDGE: DO YOU KNOW WHICH ONE ACTUALLY KILLED THE CAT? WAS IT THE ONE THAT HAD THE NECKLACE ON?

AARON: YES, THE ONE THAT HAD THE NECKLACE ON

RIDGE: HE'S THE ONE THAT KILLED THE CAT?

AARON: AND THEY ALL HAD KNIFES

RIDGE: WHAT KIND OF KNIFE?

AARON: BIG KNIFES LIKE THAT

RIDGE: BIG KNIFES, AND YOU DESCRIBE WITH YOUR HAND A BIG KNIFE YOU MEAN ABOUT LIKE 10 INCHES LONG ?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: AND IT, AND THEY UM, HAD A BELT AND THEY HAD A LITTLE CASE THEY STUCK IT IN THERE

RIDGE: ALL OF THEM HAD ONE JUST LIKE THAT?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, DID WAS THERE ANYTHING SPECIAL ABOUT THOSE KNIVES WERE THEY REAL SHINY, OR WERE THEY DARK?

AARON: NO THEY KINDA HAD SOME LITTLE BLOOD ON IT

RIDGE: SOME BLOOD ON THE KNIVES

AARON: YEAH (YES) EVEN BEFORE THEY TOOK IT OUT AND KILLED THE CAT

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RIDGE: OH, SO YOU WERE CLOSE IF YOU SAW THE BLOOD ON THE KNIFE, YOU WERE REAL CLOSE

X AARON: YEAH (YES) SCOTT IS ABOUT, MY BROTHER SCOTT IS ABOUT FIVE FEET, AN HE'S NOT TALL

RIDGE: OKAY, WAS IT A CLOSE AS FROM US TO THAT DOOR? RIGHT THERE BEHIND YOU, WHERE YOU THAT CLOSE TO WATCHING WHAT THEY WERE DOING? ARE WAS IT LIKE FROM HERE TO THOSE CABINETS BACK THERE THAT FAR AWAY?

AARON: IT WAS ABOUT TO MR. BRAY TO THE DOOR THAT'S HOW CLOSE WE WERE KINDA

X RIDGE: FROM MR. DON BRAY TO THAT DOOR, SO IT'S, YOUR ABOUT FIFTEEN FEET AWAY FROM THEM? YOUR REAL CLOSE IS THAT RIGHT?

X AARON: IT WAS FIVE FEET, I COULD, I CAN REALLY TELL HOW BIG FIVE FOOT IS.

RIDGE: OKAY, AND YOU SAW EVERYONE OF THEM HAD KNIVES? AND THEY ALL HAD

AARON: /////

RIDGE: LIKE BELTS AND PLACE THEY KEPT THE KNIVES

AARON: AND THEY HAD A PART TO BUCKLE IT UP

RIDGE: BUCKLE THE KNIFE UP? OKAY, DID YOU EVER SEE ANY GIRLS OUT THERE?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: YOU NEVER SAW ANY?

AARON: ONE OF THEM LOOKED LIKE ONE?

RIDGE: ONE OF THEM LOOKED LIKE A GIRL?

AARON: HE HAD LONG LONG HAIR

RIDGE: WHAT COLOR WAS HIS HAIR?

AARON: IT WAS BLACK

RIDGE: REAL BLACK

AARON: NO IT HAD A LITTLE BLONDE IN IT

X RIDGE: OH, OKAY, I'VE GOT SOME PICTURES RIGHT HERE AND WANT YOU TO LOOK AT THESE PICTURES AND SEE IF YOU RECOGNIZE ANY OF THOSE BOYS MAY HAVE BEEN OUT THERE? THERE

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RIDGE: (con't) IS NUMBERS UNDERNEATH EACH PICTURE  
AND THEY GO ALL THE WAY TO NUMBER TEN. DO ANY OF THEM LOOK  
LIKE THEY MAY HAVE BEEN OUT THERE, IN THAT BUNCH YOU SAW?

X AARON: NO I SHOWED MR. UM, DONALD BRAY WHICH... WHICH  
ONE I SEEN OUT THERE YESTERDAY

RIDGE: YOU SAW ONE?

GITCHELL: DID... DID THEY PAINT THEIR FACES UP?

AARON: YEA, ONE OF THEN HAD UM, A SCAR RIGHT HERE  
IT WAS KINDA OF, IT LOOKED LIKE A UM, A SCRAPE TO ME, YOU  
KNOW IT WAS WHITE, WHEN EVER THEY ITCH THEMSELVES THEY HAVE  
WHITE SPOTS

GITCHELL: OKAY, SO... SO THEY... THEY PUT SOMETHING ON  
THEIR FACE TO MAKE THEM LOOK BLACK

AARON: LIKE BLACK PAINT

GITCHELL: UH-HUH (YES) AND WHEN THEY WOULD SCRATCH YOU  
COULD SEE THE WHITE UNDERNEATH?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

GITCHELL: OKAY

AARON: PLUS THEY WOULD HAVE BLACK PAINT ON THEIR  
FINGERS

GITCHELL: OKAY, DID YOU SEE WHAT THEY, WHAT THEY HAD TO  
PUT THIS STUFF ON?

AARON: RIGHT, UM, THAT PAINT THAT NEVER COMES OFF

GITCHELL: UM, DO YOU KNOW WHAT SHOE POLISH IS? DO YOU  
KNOW WHAT SHOE POLISH IS?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

GITCHELL: DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE?

ARRON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: DO YOU THINK THAT'S WHAT THEY USED ?

AARON: YEAH (YES) COULD OF, A BIG OLD BOTTLE, BIG OLD  
THING?

RIDGE: A BIG BOTTLE OKAY,

AARON: CAUSE THEY DID HAVE A BAG WITH THEM

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RIDGE: WHAT KIND OF BAG?

AARON: A BAG THAT UM, CARRIES STUFF

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT COLOR WAS THE BAG? WAS IT CLOTH,  
OR WAS IT LIKE A BRIEF CASE OR WAS IT JUST

AARON: IT WAS A BRIEF CASE

RIDGE: IT WAS A BRIEF CASE, OKAY, DID IT

GITCHELL: NOW WHAT A MINUTE DO YOU KNOW WHAT A BRIEF  
CASE IS?

AARON: IT'S A LITTLE THING THAT UM, HAS A HANDLE THAT  
YOU HOLD

GITCHELL: OKAY

AARON: WITH THE UM, WITH THE UM, PEOPLE THAT HAS

GITCHELL: OKAY, YOUR PRETTY SHARP

RIDGE: IS IT ONE THEY HAD TO LAY DOWN AND THEN OPEN  
UP THE TOP OF IT,

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: LIKE IT JUST OPEN IN HALF IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: THEY

RIDGE: OR IS IT ONE THAT WOULD STAND UP AND THEY  
WOULD OPEN AND THEN THE TOP WOULD SORTA OPEN UP?

AARON: YEAH (YES) THE TOP WOULD KINDA OPEN UP, IT WAS  
LIKE A LITTLE LOCK ON THERE, THEY HAD UM, A LITTLE SOAP ON  
///// THERE AND THEY TWISTED IT AROUND

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: TWISTED IT AROUND, AND THEY NEVER OPENED IT UP  
BEFORE

RIDGE: BUT THEY OPEN IT, WHEN DID THEY OPEN IT?

AARON: WE'VE NEVER SEEN THEM OPEN IT

RIDGE: YOU NEVER SAW THEM OPEN IT, OKAY

AARON: THEY JUST CARRY IT AROUND WITH IT,

RIDGE: WHEN THEY CAME INTO THE WOODS, WHEN YOU WOULD  
SEE THEM COMING IN WHICH WAY WOULD THEY COME FROM?

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AARON: THEY WOULD COME FROM THE PART WHERE UM, THE...  
THE POLICE WERE GOING UP IN, WHERE THEY HAVE THAT YELLOW  
THING AT

RIDGE: WELL THERE'S TWO ROADS OVER THERE, ONE IS OVER  
THERE BY THE APARTMENTS YOU KNOW WHERE THE DEAD END ROAD  
WHERE THE STOP SIGN IS, THERE IS ANOTHER ROAD DOWN THERE  
LIKE BACK TOWARD WHERE YOU USED TO LIVE, WHICH ROAD WOULD  
THEY COME IN, THE ONE BY THE APARTMENTS OR BACK DOWN THERE  
CLOSE TO WHERE YOU USED TO LIVE?

AARON: IT LOOKED LIKE THEY CAME CLOSE TO WHERE I USED  
TO LIVE

RIDGE: OKAY, WOULD ALL FIVE OF THEM COME IN TOGETHER  
OR WOULD ONE OF THEM COME IN, AND THEN ANOTHER ONE WOULD COME  
IN OR WOULD THEY JUST MEET OUT THERE?

AARON: ALL FIVE, WE SEEN THEM MEET IN THERE BEFORE

RIDGE: JUST ALL COME AT ONCE? SO

AARON: WELL THEN, WE, ONE TIME SEEN THEM MEET WITH  
EACH OTHER, ONE GOT THERE AND THEN THE OTHER, AND THEN THE  
OTHER,  
AND THEN THE OTHER

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: AND THEN THEY UM, ALL SIT OUT

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN YOU SAYING THEY DID BAD THINGS  
AND YOU SAW WHAT THEY WERE DOING

AARON: UH-HUH(YES)

RIDGE: OKAY, CAN YOU TELL ME HOW THEY WERE DOING WHAT  
THEY WERE DOING, WERE STANDING UP, WERE THEY LAYING DOWN

AARON: THEY WERE LAYING DOWN

RIDGE: LAYING DOWN, OKAY, AND WHERE THEY LAYING FACE  
DOWN AND ONE ON TOP OF THE OTHER ONE?

AARON: ONE... ONE OF THEM WAS FACED DOWN AND THEN THE  
OTHER UM, GOT FACED DOWN TO,

RIDGE: ON TOP OF THE OTHER

AARON: ON TOP OF THE OTHER

RIDGE: OKAY, WAS ONE UP ON HIS KNEES A LITTLE BIT OR  
WAS HE ALL THE WAY LAYING FLAT DOWN

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AARON: ONE WAS LIKE ON HIS KNEES A LITTLE BIT  
RIDGE: AND COULD YOU SEE WHAT THEY WERE DOING, WERE  
YOU CLOSE ENOUGH TO REALLY SEE WHAT THEY WERE DOING?

AARON: THEY WERE...UM, DOING UM, THEY WE UM DOING,  
DOING MOUTH STUFF AND STUFF OR STUFF, ALL KINDS OF STUFF I  
MEANT

RIDGE: OKAY, YOU SAID A WHILE AGO THEY DID SOMETHING  
WITH THEIR MOUTH, WHAT DID THEY DO WITH THEIR MOUTH?

AARON: THEY UM, KISSED

RIDGE: KISSED EACH OTHER OR DID THEY KISS THEIR BODY  
SOME WHERE?

AARON: THEY KISSED THEIR BODY SOME WHERE

RIDGE: KISS BETWEEN THEIR LEGS

AARON: (Inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, AND WHEN THEY KISSED BETWEEN THE LEGS  
DID THEY DO IT FOR A LONG TIME?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)////

RIDGE: JUST A FEW MINUTES, OKAY

AARON: ABOUT FIVE MINUTES

RIDGE: DID THEY HOLLER ?

ARRON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: WERE THEY ALL THE TIME TRYING TO BE QUITE OR  
WERE THEY, WERE THEY TRYING TO BE QUITE?

AARON: THEY WERE TRYING TO BE QUITE

RIDGE: OKAY, SO WHAT DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD HAVE  
DONE IF THEY THOUGHT THEY GOT CAUGHT, DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD  
HAVE BEEN SCARED? THINK THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN? WHEN THEY  
TOOK THEIR CLOTHES OFF DID THEY TOOK ALL THEIR CLOTHES OFF?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT DID THEY DO WITH THEIR CLOTHES  
WHEN THEY TOOK THEM OFF?

AARON: THEY UM, THEY PUT THEM , THEY PUT THEM AROUND  
THE TREE

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RIDGE: AROUND THE TREE, WOULD THEY FOLD THEM UP, OR DID THEY JUST HANG THEM ON THE SIDE OF THE TREE, OR WOULD THEY JUST THROW THEM AROUND WHAT WOULD THEY DO?

ARRON: THEY WOULD JUST THROW THEM

RIDGE: THEY THROW THEM, OKAY, THEY ALWAYS JUST THROW THEM OVER THERE OUT OF THE WAY?

AARON:

RIDGE: OKAY

ALLEN: WHEN THEY, WHEN THEY TOOK THEIR CLOTHES UH, DID ANY OF THEM HAVE LIKE PICTURES DRAWN ON THEM OR DO YOU KNOW WHAT A TATTOO IS? DID ANY OF THEM HAVE ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

AARON: YES SIR

ALLEN: DO YOU REMEMBER

AARON: ONE OF THEM HAD A SPIDER WEB ABOUT RIGHT HERE

ALLEN: ON HIS WHERE?

RIDGE: ON HIS ARM AND SHOULDER

AARON: YEAH (YES) IT WAS ABOUT RIGHT HERE THERE

RIDGE: IS IT ON THIS ARM?

AARON: I THINK IT'S ON THIS ARM

RIDGE: SO IT WOULD HAVE BEEN ON HIS LEFT ARM? AND IT WAS A SPIDER WEB?

AARON: IT WAS ALL GOING ALL THE WAY ACROSS

RIDGE: ALL THE WAY ACROSS HIS SHOULDER DID IT

ARRON: HIS SHOULDER WENT... WENT TO PROBABLY TO THE MIDDLE THEN KINDA CAME BACK AND THE IT WENT UP AND THEN CAME DOWN

RIDGE: OKAY, SO YOUR DESCRIBING IT WENT ACROSS THE SHOULDER DOWN ABOUT HALF WAY OF THE ARM AND CAME BACK ACROSS TO THE CHEST AND WENT BACK UP AND WENT BACK DOWN AGAIN IS THAT THE WAY IT LOOKED?

AARON: NO, IT CAME, IT WENT UP HERE FROM THE CHEST UP THERE AND THEN UP AROUND IT

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RIDGE: OKAY, I SEE WHAT YOUR SAYING, IT'S ON THE  
SHOULDER IT WENT DOWN THE ARM, COME ACROSS ALMOST TO THE  
CHEST AND THEN CAME BACK UP THE ARM AND THEN WENT DOWN ON  
HIS CHEST AND MADE A CIRCLE

AARON: YEAH(YES)

RIDGE: LIKE A BIG CIRCLE SPIDER WEB? DID YOU SEE  
ANY OTHER TATTOO'S ?

AARON: NO SIR

GITCHELL: DID THAT GUY HAVE ANY MORE, THE ONE THAT HAD  
THE SPIDER WEB YOUR TALKING ABOUT, DID HE HAVE ANY MORE  
TATTOO'S ON HIM?

AARON: I COULDN'T SEE ANY MORE

ALLEN: WHAT COLOR HAIR DID HE HAVE?

AARON: HE HAD BLACK

ALLEN: HE HAD BLACK HAIR

RIDGE: IS THAT THE ONE THAT THE ONE THAT HAD THE  
NECKLACE?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: THAT'S THE ONE THAT HAD THE NECKLACE. OKAY,

GITCHELL: LET'S RUN OUT THERE AND SHOW US WHERE HE'S  
TALKING ABOUT.

RIDGE: YOU WANT TO GO WITH US NOW AND SHOW US WHERE  
THE CLUB IS AND WHERE YOU SAW THE BOYS AT AND THE MEN AT?  
SHOW US WHERE YOU HID AND WATCHED?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY, WE'VE GOING TO CONCLUDE THIS TAPE THE  
TIME IS 5:48 P M.

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## ALLEGATION FROM AARON HUTCHESON

THIS IS DET. BRYN RIDGE OF THE WEST MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY IN THE WEST MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT TODAY'S DATE IS 06-02-93 THE TIME IS 2:24 P M. IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH AARON HUTCHESON, A 8 YEAR OLD WHITE MALE AND DET SGT. MIKE ALLEN. CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING TRIPLE HOMICIDE CASE NUMBER 93-05-0666.

RIDGE: AARON, HOW ARE YOU DOING TODAY?

AARON: FINE

RIDGE: YOUR DOING GOOD UH? DID YOU SLEEP GOOD LAST NIGHT? WERE YOU AWAKE LAST NIGHT WHEN SOME THINGS WERE HAPPENING AT YOUR HOUSE LAST NIGHT, YOU WERE A SLEEP UH?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, EVERYTHING OKAY AT YOUR HOUSE RIGHT NOW?

AARON: I HAD MY BIG COUSIN BESIDE ME

RIDGE: WHO'S YOUR BIG COUSIN?

AARON: JOHN HE'S IN THE ARMY

RIDGE: JOHN'S IN THE ARMY, OKAY, I TELL YOU WHAT SCOOT OVER TO THIS CHAIR

AARON: OKAY

RIDGE: THAT MIGHT EVEN FEEL BE BETTER TO YOU, IS THAT A GOOD FEELING CHAIR DO YOU LIKE THAT? YOU LIKE THAT?

AARON: UM-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY, ALRIGHT UH, LETS, LET'S, THINK BACK HERE ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE WEEKS AGO YOU GOT A COUPLE OF BUDDIES, WHAT'S THEIR NAME?

AARON: MICHAEL, CHRIS AND STEVE

RIDGE: MICHAEL CHRIS AND STEVE, OKAY THEIR ALL THREE YOUR BUDDIES?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, THEY GOT KILLED RIGHT?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, UH, YOU USE TO GO TO ROBIN HOODS?

AARON: WEAVER

RIDGE: YOU USED TO GO TO WEAVER SCHOOL? OKAY, DID YOU USE TO GO OUT INTO THE ROBIN HOOD WOODS, WHO DID YOU GO OUT THERE WITH?

AARON: WITH CHRIS AND MICHAEL

RIDGE: OKAY, DID YOU EVER GO OUT THERE WITH STEVE?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: NEVER, OKAY, WHAT DID YOU DO WHEN YOU WOULD GO OUT THERE?

AARON: PLAY

RIDGE: OKAY, DID YOU EVER SEE ANYTHING WHILE YOU WERE OUT THERE?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: WHAT DID YOU SEE?

AARON: WE SAW MEN

RIDGE: YOU SAW MEN, OKAY WHAT WERE THE MEN DOING?

AARON: THEY WERE DOING NASTY STUFF

RIDGE: NASTY STUFF, OKAY, DO YOU REMEMBER HOW MANY MEN THERE WERE?

AARON: FIVE

RIDGE: THERE WERE FIVE, OKAY, AND WHAT KIND OF NASTY STUFF WERE THEY DOING?

AARON: LIKE WHAT MEN AND WOMEN DO

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, BUT THEY WERE ALL MEN?

AARON: YES

RIDGE: DID UM, HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU SEE THEM OUT THERE, BUNCH OF TIMES?

AARON: BUNCH

RIDGE: HOW MANY TIMES DO THINK?

AARON: TWENTY

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RIDGE: ABOUT TWENTY TIMES OKAY, DID THEY ALWAYS DO  
THE SAME?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: WHAT WOULD THEY DO SOMETIMES?

AARON: THEY WOULD SET A FIRE

X RIDGE: SET A FIRE, WHAT WOULD THEY DO AT THE FIRE?

AARON: THEY WOULD UM, SIT AROUND THE FIRE, LIKE THE  
FIRE WAS HERE THEY GO WALKING AROUND IT

RIDGE: THEY WOULD DANCE AROUND IT OR SIT AROUND IT?

AARON: SIT AROUND THE FIRE

RIDGE: SIT AROUND THE FIRE, WERE THEY TALKING?

AARON: TALKING

RIDGE: WHAT WERE THEY TALKING ABOUT?

AARON: ABOUT BAD STUFF

RIDGE: ABOUT BAD STUFF, COULD YOU HEAR THEM?

AARON: NOT THAT GOOD

RIDGE: WHAT KIND OF BAD STUFF WERE THEY TALKING  
ABOUT?

AARON: UM, JESUS AND GOD, I MEAN THE DEVIL AND GOD

RIDGE: OH, THE DEVIL GOD, OKAY

AARON: THAT THEY SAID THEY LIKED THE DEVIL AND THEY  
HATE GOD

RIDGE: THEY LIKE THE DEVIL AND HATE GOD IS THAT WHAT  
YOU SAID?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: UM, DID THEY EVER DO ANYTHING BESIDES TALK  
WHEN THEY WERE AT THE FIRE?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: DID THEY SMOKE CIGARETTES OR DRINK

AARON: THEY SMOKED

RIDGE: WHISKEY AND STUFF?

AARON: THEY SMOKED UM, UM, THOSE WHITE CIGARETTES  
THAT ARE ALL WHITE

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: (inaudible) THE KIND YOU ROUND UP AND PUT THAT  
YEA GREEN STUFF IN THERE

RIDGE: OH, DID THEY ROLL THEM WHERE YOU WERE  
WATCHING?

(inaudible) YOU WANT YOUR COKE?

RIDGE: THERE YOU GO AND YOU WATCHED THEM ROLLING UP  
THE CIGARETTES? OKAY, DID YOU SMELL THE CIGER... THE SMOKE  
WHAT DID IT SMELL LIKE?

AARON: IT SMELLED LIKE UM, DIRT, DIRT WHENEVER ITS  
REAL ...REAL OLD

RIDGE: REAL OLD DIRT, IT REALLY SMELLED BAD?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, ...OKAY, UM, WHAT ELSE DID THEY DO  
AROUND THE FIRE?

AARON: THEY SMOKES THOSE ONE KIND OF CIGARETTES AND  
TALKED

RIDGE: (inaudible) DO YOU EVER REMEMBER THEM DOING  
ANYTHING WITH ANY ANIMALS, CAT OR DOGS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

AARON: OH, THEY UM CUT A CAT'S NECK OFF... HEAD OFF,  
THEY THROW IT AND THEN THEY ATE THE CAT

RIDGE: ATE THE CAT, THAT'S YUCKIE AIN'T IT OKAY, HOW  
DID THEY, DID THEY JUST EAT THE CAT OR COOK IT OR ANYTHING?

AARON: THEY CUT HIS HEAD AND THEN, SKINNED IT ///  
AND THEN COOKED AND THEN PUT IT FAR AWAY AND ATE IT

RIDGE: OH, WHEN THEY BUILD THIS FIRE WAS IT A BIG  
FIRE THAT THEY PUT A BUNCH OF STICKS ON THERE OR HOW DID?

AARON: THEY DIDN'T USE STICKS

RIDGE: WHAT DID THEY USE FOR A FIRE?

AARON: THEY USED PAPER

RIDGE: PAPER FOR A FIRE

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AARON: IT WAS KINDA OF A BIG FIRE

RIDGE: OH, LIKE NEWSPAPER

AARON: AND THEY PUT GASOLINE THERE, LETS OF GASOLINE

RIDGE: OH,

AARON: BUT THEY PUT UM, //////////ONE OF THEM, THEY HIT, THEY THREW A ROCK AT IT AND IT WENT OVER AND IT UM, THEN IT UM, THEY PUT IT ON THE BIG FIRE

RIDGE: UM, WELL WHAT COLOR WAS THE CAT?

AARON: IT WAS GRAY

RIDGE: GRAY, OKAY, WAS THERE A DOG, DID THEY DO SOMETHING WITH A DOG DOWN THERE ONE TIME, WHAT DID THEY DO WITH THE DOG?

AARON: THEY PUSHED IT AROUND

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW DID THEY PUSH IT?

AARON: UM, ONE OF THEM HAD IT BY IT'S UM, SIDE AND PUSHED IT TO ANOTHER WHEN ANOTHER GOT IT TO OTHER SIDE AND PUSHED IT

RIDGE: OH, DID THE DOG TRY TO BITE THEM?

RIDGE: IT DID TRY TO BITE THEM? OKAY, HOW BIG WAS THE DOG?

AARON: UM, UP TO GROW RIGHT HERE TO ME

RIDGE: TO YOU, IT WAS UP TO ABOUT THE MIDDLE OF YOUR THIGHS?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN THEY WERE PUSHING THE DOG AROUND WERE THEY SITTING ON THE GROUND ON THEIR KNEES OR..

AARON: THEY WERE ON THEIR KNEES

RIDGE: THEY WERE ON THEIR KNEES, OKAY, WEE THEY PUSHING LIKE ON THE BACK OF THE DOG, THE BACK END OF THE DOG?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)////////

RIDGE: OKAY, ALRIGHT, NOW THESE.. THESE MEN WHERE DOING NASTY THINGS DID YOU KNOW WHERE THEY WERE DOING THOSE

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NASTY THINGS, WHERE AT?

AARON: THEY WERE DOING THEM BY A TREE/////

RIDGE: WAS THEY DOING IT UP THERE WHERE THE FIRE WAS?

AARON: UH-UH (NO) THEY WERE UM, WHERE THEY WERE KINDA CLOSE TO THE TREE

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: BY THE FIRE I MEAN

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, BUT THEY WERE ACROSS THAT LITTLE CREEK, YOU TOOK US DOWN THERE AND SHOWED US WHERE ALL THIS TOOK PLACE RIGHT?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: DID YOU HAVE A TREE HOUSE DOWN THERE?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW MANY BOARDS WERE UP THERE IN THE TREE, WAS THERE JUST ENOUGH YOU COULD STAND ON THE BOARDS OR DID YOU

AARON: THERE WAS ONLY ONE

RIDGE: OR DID YOU HAVE YOU LIKE A FLAT PLACE

AARON: THERE WAS ONLY ONE THAT HAD, THAT ONE THAT SHOW UM, SHOW UP THERE

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, JUST ONE, ALRIGHT, HOW DID TH... HOW DID YOU ALL, DID YOU ALL PUT THE BOARD UP THERE OR DID SOMEBODY ELSE DO IT?

AARON: I DID

RIDGE: YOU DID HOW DID YOU FASTEN IT TO THE TREE?

AARON: I, I CLIMBED UP THERE WITH ONE HAND AND THEN HAD THAT OTHER ONE IN MY HAND,

RIDGE: OKAY, BUT HOW DID YOU FIX IT TO THE TREE DID YOU NAIL IT, DID YOU TIE IT TO THE TREE OR DID YOU JUST PUT IT UP THERE?

AARON: WE FOUND SOME... WE FOUND SOME NAILS AND WE HAD A BIG BOARD AND WE HIT THEM IN THE MIDDLE AND THEN

RIDGE: YOU HIT THE NAILS IN THERE WITH A BOARD, OR NAIL... WITH A HAMMER?

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AARON: WITH A BOARD

RIDGE: IT WAS A BOARD OKAY, THE TREE STAND IS NOT UP THERE ANYMORE, THE TREE HOUSE, THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL YOUR CLUB HOUSE IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, AND WERE YOU UP IN THE TREE HOUSE AND WATCHED THESE BOYS DO THIS SOMETIME OR WOULD YOU HIDE ON THE GROUND SOMEWHERE?

AARON: WE SOMETIMES WE WAS UP IN OUR CLUB HOUSE

RIDGE: OKAY, DID THEY EVER SEE YOU UP THERE?

AARON: UH UH (NO)

RIDGE: THEY DIDN'T SEE YOU AT ALL, OKAY, NOW WHEN WE WENT DOWN THERE WE WENT ACROSS THAT PIPE

AARON: AND WE, UM, AND WHENEVER WE WENT ACROSS THE PIPE UM, YOU KNOW THAT STRAIGHT PART WHERE SOME PEOPLE WALK WE WALKED ON THE PIPE AND PARKED OUT BIKES ON THE SIDE AND THEN, CHRIS'S BIKE FELL IN THE WATER AND I HAD, I WENT DOWN IN THERE, IT WASN'T IN THE DEEP WATER. IT WAS UM, UM, (inaudible)

RIDGE: RIGHT ON THE EDGE, OH OKAY

AARON: HE DROPPED HIS BIKE AND I WENT DOWN THERE AND GOT IT FOR HIM

RIDGE: OH, THAT WAS A LONG TIME AGO, OKAY, DID THESE BOYS, THESE MEN THAT CAME IN THERE, DID THEY COME ACROSS THE PIPE, IS THAT THE WAY THEY CAME IN?

AARON: THEY CAME ACROSS THE PIPE

RIDGE: DID YOU ALL HIDE YOUR BICYCLES WHERE THEY WOULDN'T SEE YOUR BICYCLES IF THEY CAME ACROSS THE PIPE?

AARON: WHENEVER, NO CAUSE, YEAH (YES) WE HIDE OUR BICYCLES

RIDGE: WHERE WOULD YOU HIDE THEM?

AARON: WE WOULD HIDE THEM, UM, WE HIDE THEM RIGHT BESIDE OUR TREE HOUSE IN THE WEEDS

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, SO YOU WOULD TOOK YOUR BICYCLES ACROSS WITH YOU SOMETIMES?

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AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, DID LITTLE STEVIE, DID HE EVER GO DOWN THERE WITH YOU?

AARON: ONE TIME

RIDGE: ONE TIME, WHEN DID HE GO DOWN THERE WITH YOU?

AARON: THE FIRST DAY WE TOLD HIM ABOUT IT

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN WAS THAT

AARON: THAT WAS AFTER SCHOOL

RIDGE: AFTER SCHOOL?

AARON: AT LEAST AT FOUR O'CLOCK

RIDGE: OH, WHEN WAS IT WHEN STEVIE WENT DOWN THERE WITH YOU, WAS IT A WEEK BEFORE THEY GOT KILLED, OR TWO WEEKS BEFORE OR HOW LONG BEFORE THEY GOT KILLED?

AARON: UM, 3 WEEKS

RIDGE: LIKE 3 WEEKS, OKAY, AND YOU MOVED OUT FROM THE HOUSE YOU WERE LIVING IN ON BARTON, DID HE GO DOWN THERE THE DAY BEFORE YOU MOVED OUT?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: WHEN WAS IT BEFORE YOU MOVED OUT?

AARON: THE DAY HE WENT?

RIDGE: YEAH (YES)

AARON: IT WAS ON A TUESDAY

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, OKAY SO AFTER YOU MOVED OUT FROM THE HOUSE WHERE YOU LIVED ON BARTON, DID YOU GO DOWN THERE SOME MORE AFTER THAT?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: YOU DID, WOULD YOUR MOM LET YOU PLAY WITH CHRIS AND MICHAEL SOMETIMES AND YOU WOULD GO DOWN THERE?

AARON: UM, ONE TIME, SHE ONLY LET ME STAY WITH MICHAEL

RIDGE: ONE TIME SHE DID, OKAY, AND WHEN YOU WENT DOWN THERE THAT TIME WERE THE MEN DOWN THERE?

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AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: ON A THURSDAY, THURSDAY

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: ME MICHAEL WE WENT BY OURSELVES ONE DAY

RIDGE: DID YOU SEE THEM DOWN THERE? WHAT DID YOU SEE?

AARON: WE SEEN, WE SEEN THEM DO THE SAME THINGS, WHAT THEY ALWAYS DO

X RIDGE: OKAY, WAS IT ALWAYS THE SAME FIVE PEOPLE?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: NEVER WAS ANY MORE PEOPLE, OR ANYBODY WAS IT ANY TIME ANY BODY DIDN'T MAKE IT?

AARON: THERE WAS ONLY FIVE, ALL THE TIME

RIDGE: ALWAYS FIVE , AND IT WAS ALWAYS THE SAME ONES?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: HOW OLD WERE THEY? WE THEY MY AGE?, OLD? OR WERE THEY A LITTLE YOUNGER THAN ME?

AARON: THEY WERE TWENTY

RIDGE: ABOUT TWENTY

AARON: SOME WHERES AROUND TWENTY

ALLEN: HOW OLD DO I LOOK?

AARON: UM, I DON'T KNOW

ALLEN: DO I LOOK OLDER THAN THEM OR YOUNGER THEN THEM?

AARON: OLDER THAN THEM

ALLEN: I LOOK OLDER THAN THEM? OKAY

RIDGE: WHEN YOU WOULD SEE THESE MEN DID UH, WERE THEY ALL DRESSED A LIKE?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

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RIDGE: ALL OF THEM WERE DRESSED A LIKE?  
AARON: EXCEPT ONE  
RIDGE: EXCEPT ONE  
AARON: ONE OF THEM HAD ON A TANK TOP  
RIDGE: A TANK TOP  
AARON: A WHITE ONE  
RIDGE: OH, A SHIRT LIKE YOU'VE GOT ON?  
AARON: UH-HUH (YES)  
RIDGE: BUT IT WAS WHITE, OKAY DID HE ALWAYS WEAR A  
WHITE SHIRT LIKE THAT?  
AARON: (inaudible)  
RIDGE: THE SAME PERSON  
AARON: HU-HUH (YES)  
RIDGE: OKAY, DESCRIBE HIM FOR ME, WHAT COLOR WAS HIS  
HAIR?  
AARON: UM, KINDA LIKE YOURS  
RIDGE: LIKE A DARK BROWN, OKAY, HOW TALL WAS HE?  
AARON: UM, HE WAS PROBABLY UP TO THAT PICTURE OR THAT  
ONE OR THAT ONE  
RIDGE: AS TALL AS ME OR TALLER?  
AARON: TALL AS YOU  
ALLEN: I'M GOING TO STAND UP BESIDE BRYN HERE  
RIDGE: WHICH ONE WAS HE AS TALL AS  
AARON: THAT ONE  
ALLEN: HE'S AS TALL AS ME  
AARON: HE LOOKED LIKE HE WAS FIVE FEET  
RIDGE: FIVE FEET,  
AARON: UH-HUH (YES)  
(INAUDIBLE) ANYWAY I ... OKAY UM

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RIDGE: ALRIGHT, WAS DID HE EVER WEAR ANY JEWELRY THAT YOU SAW, ANY KIND OF NECKLACE OR WATCH OR

AARON: NECKLACE

RIDGE: THE ONE IN THE WHITE SHIRT? HE WORE A NECKLACE WHAT KIND OF NECKLACE?

AARON: HE WEAR A NECKLACE WITH THAT UM, SKULL ON ITS NECK INSIDE

RIDGE: THE ONE WITH THE WHITE SHIRT DID? OKAY, ALRIGHT, NOW LET'S PICTURE ONE OF THE OTHER ONES NOW, ONE OF THE OTHER ONES, TELL ME WHAT ONE OF THE OTHER ONES LOOKED LIKE?

AARON: UM, THEY WERE ALL WHITE AND THEY PAINTED THEMSELVES BLACK

RIDGE: PAINTED THEMSELVES BLACK? ON THEIR HANDS AND ARMS ALL OVER? HOW ABOUT WHEN THEY WERE WEARING THEIR SHIRTS? UNDERNEATH THEIR SHIRTS?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: THEY WERE PAINTED BLACK UNDER THEIR SHIRTS?

AARON: EXCEPT ON THE BOYS ON THE LEGS THAT CAME RIGHT HERE TO THEIR BODIES

RIDGE: FROM THEIR WAIST ALL THE WAY UP WAS PAINTED BLACK? OKAY

AARON: AND HALF OF THE OTHER ONE WAS ALL WHITE BECAUSE OF UM, WHENEVER THEY DID THAT WHAT MEN AND WOMEN DO WAS SEEN ALL WHITE FROM THERE ALL THE WAY DOWN

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, NOW DID THEY, THAT YOU SAW, OKAY DID THEY ALL DO THAT NASTY STUFF?

AARON: LOTS OF TIMES

RIDGE: LOTS OF TIME THEY ALL DID, OKAY WOULD THEY LAY ON THE GROUND, OR WOULD THEY STAND UP TO DO IT

AARON: LAY ON THE GROUND

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW WOULD THEY LAY ON THE GROUND JUST FACE UP FACE DOWN ON THEIR KNEES?

AARON: ONE... ONE THE ONE THAT WAS LAYING ON THE GROUND WAS FACE UP, AND THE OTHER WAS FACE DOWN

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, DID THEY KISS?

AARON: (Inaudible)

RIDGE: ALRIGHT, WHERE DID THEY KISS?

AARON: ON TH... IN THE MOUTH

RIDGE: OKAY. THE MOUTH, THEY WERE KISSING MOUTH TO MOUTH OR MOUTH TO THEIR BODIES?

AARON: MOUTH TO MOUTH

RIDGE: OKAY, ANY OTHER KISSING?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

~~X~~ RIDGE: ANY OTHER, WHERE THEIR PUTTING THEIR MOUTH TO ANY PLACE ELSE? YOU DIDN'T SEE THAT.

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: OKAY, UM, HOW OLD DID YOU SAY THIS ONE WAS WITH THE WHITE SHIRT? SAY HE AS ABOUT TWENTY? WERE THEY ALL THE SAME AGE WAS ONE OF THEM OLDER?

AARON: THEY ALL LOOKED LIKE THEY WERE OLDER

RIDGE: ALL OF THEM ABOUT THE SAME AGE? IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES) KIND OF

ALLEN: WAS... WAS THE ONE THAT WAS IN THE WHITE SHIRT THAT YOU SAID MAY BE MY HEIGHT AS TALL AS ME IS THAT RIGHT? WAS... WAS HE SKINNY OR WAS HE FAT?

AARON: HE WAS SKINNY

ALLEN: HE WAS SKINNY, NOW UH, DID HE EVER TAKE HIS TANK TOP SHIRT OFF? DID... DID HE HAVE HAIR ON HIS CHEST?

RIDGE: YOU SA... ARE YOU SHAKING YOUR HEAD YES? YOUR GOING TO HAVE TO SAY YES FOR US SO WE CAN RECORD IT.

AARON: YES

RIDGE: OKAY

ALLEN: DID HE HAVE ANY, DID YOU NOTICE ANY TATTOOS ON HIM?

AARON: NO, NO SIR

ALLEN: WAS HIS HAIR SHORT LIKE YOURS?

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AARON: IT WAS KINDA LIKE YOURS

ALLEN: KINDA LIKE MY LENGTH? OKAY, WAS IT ANY LONGER  
OR SHORTER OR?

AARON: IN THE BACK IT WAS REAL SHORT

ALLEN: IN THE BACK IT WAS SHORT, OKAY

RIDGE: DID ONE OF THEM HAVE REAL BLACK HAIR, REAL  
DARK HAIR? HE DID

AARON: UH-HUH (YES), YES SIR

RIDGE: WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?

AARON: UM

RIDGE: WAS HE SHORTER THAN THE GUY WITH THE WHITE  
SHIRT OR WAS HE TALL LIKE THE GUY IN THE WHITE SHIRT?

AARON: HE WAS SMALL

RIDGE: HE WAS SMALL, OKAY WAS HE SKINNY OR WAS HE  
FAT?

AARON: HE WAS SKINNY

RIDGE: OKAY, DID ANY OF THEM TALK FUNNY?

\* AARON: ALL OF THEM, THEY ALL TALK IN SPANISH

RIDGE: TALKED IN SPANISH,

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: COULD YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY WERE TALKING  
ABOUT?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: OKAY, AND WHEN THEY WERE TALKING IN SPANISH,  
WHERE WERE THEY WHEN THEY WERE TALKING IN SPANISH ?

AARON: THEY WERE , THEY WERE LIKE BESIDE THE FIRE

RIDGE: OKAY, WERE THEY HOLDING HANDS OR ANYTHING LIKE  
THAT?

AARON: NO SIR

RIDGE: THEY WERE JUST STANDING

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

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RIDGE: NOW THE GUY WITH THE REAL DARK HAIR HE WAS SMALL, HE WAS SKINNY, HOW LONG WAS HIS HAIR?

AARON: TO HIS NECK

RIDGE: IT WAS DOWN TO HIS NECK LIKE THIS, SORTA OF LONG THAN?

AARON: YES SIR

RIDGE: OKAY, HOW DID HE COMB THE TOP OF HIS HAIR, DID HE COMB IT BACK OR WAS IT JUST NASTY LOOKING HAIR?

AARON: HE COMBED IT BACK

RIDGE: OH, HE DID, OKAY...OKAY PICK OUT ANOTHER ONE THEN, ONE OF THE OTHER ONES, DESCRIBE WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE DID ANY OF THEM HAVE WHITE HAIR?

AARON: NO SIR

RIDGE: NONE OF THEM HAD WHITE HAIR?

AARON: MOST OF THEM ALL HAVE BLACK HAIR, AND THEY WERE ALL SKINNY...SKINNY

RIDGE: THEY WERE ALL VERY SKINNY UH? DID YOU REMEMBER SEEING A TATTOO ON ANY OF THEM?

AARON: ONE OF THEM HAD A TATTOO SPIDER

RIDGE: WAS IT THE ONE IN THE WHITE SHIRT?

AARON: UM, UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: YOU THINK WAS, OKAY, WHO CUT THE CATS HEAD OFF?

AARON: THAT MAN THAT HAD ON THE WHITE T-SHIRT

RIDGE: HE CUT THE HEAD OFF OKAY, WHAT DID HE USE TO CUT HIS HEAD OFF?

AARON: KNIFE

RIDGE: OH, WHERE DID HE GET THE KNIFE FROM?

AARON: I DON'T KNOW

RIDGE: DID HE HAVE IT?

AARON: /////IT WAS ABOUT THAT BIG

RIDGE: DID HE HAVE IT IN HIS POCKET OR?

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AARON: HE HAD A LITTLE UM, CASE TO PUT IT TO STICK IT  
IN THERE UM, IT WENT WRAPPED AROUND

RIDGE: OH, LIKE A BELT?

AARON: IT BUTTONED UP

RIDGE: IT WAS LIKE A BELT AND THE KNIFE WENT IN TO  
THAT LITTLE CASE, WAS IT A KNIFE THAT FOLDED IN HALF OR WAS  
IT ONE THAT WAS STRAIGHT, A STRAIGHT KNIFE?

AARON: IT WAS ONE OF THOSE ONES THAT FOLD IN HALF

RIDGE: OH, IT WAS OKAY, DID THEY ALL HAVE KNIFES?

AARON: (inaudible)

RIDGE: THEY DID OKAY, DID ALL THE KNIFES FOLD IN HALF  
THAT THEY HAD OR?

AARON: NO SIR

RIDGE: THEY DIDN'T, OKAY, WHO HAD, THE GUY WITH THE  
DARK HAIR, THE LONG HAIR, WHAT KIND OF KNIFE DID HE HAVE?

AARON: A STRAIGHT KNIFE ABOUT THAT LONG

RIDGE: OH IT WAS LONG UH? OKAY.

AARON: IT WAS KINDA BIG ON MY HEAD

RIDGE: I BET IT WAS. (inaudible) THE DAY THAT YOU AND  
CHRIS AND MICHAEL GOT SCHOOL, THE DAY THAT THEY GOT KILLED,  
DID UM, YOUR MAMA PICK YOU UP AT SCHOOL? TELL ME WHAT  
HAPPENED WHEN SHE PICKED YOU UP?

AARON: WELL SHE DIDN'T PICK ME UP, SHE TOOK ME OUT OF  
SCHOOL AT 1:30 AND THEN SHE... I ASK ... I ASK... I TOLD HER  
WHERE ALL OUR CLUBS WHERE SHE TOOK ME THERE

RIDGE: ALRIGHT, THAT'S... THAT'S THE DAY THAT WE FOUND  
THE BOYS THEY HAD BEEN MISSING ALL NIGHT, THE NIGHT BEFORE  
THAT, WHEN YOU GOT OUT OF SCHOOL TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED THE  
NIGHT BEFORE?

AARON: THE NIGHT BEFORE I GOT OUT OF SCHOOL?

ALLEN: THE LAST TIME THAT YOU

RIDGE: SAW MICHAEL

ALLEN: YOU SAW MICHAEL AND CHRIS AT  
AARON: I DIDN'T GO TO SCHOOL THAT DAY

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RIDGE: OH, YOU DIDN'T? OKAY

AARON: I STAYED HOME CAUSE, MY MOM...MY MOM SAID ITS A ROUGH DAY FOR UM, FOR EVERYONE TO BE IN SCHOOL

RIDGE: OH, THAT WAS ON THURSDAY, THAT WAS THE DAY YOUR MAMA GOT YOU OUT OF SCHOOL, BUT THAT WEDNESDAY, YOU REMEMBER THE WEDNESDAY? YOU DON'T REMEMBER THAT WEDNESDAY?

ALLEN: THE LAST TIME THAT YOU SAW CHRISTOPHER AND MICHAEL, WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU SAW THEM WHEN THEY WERE ALIVE?

X AARON: IT WAS AT MY TRUCK ALL THREE OF THEM WAS AT MY TRUCK

RIDGE: STEVIE, MICHAEL AND CHRISTOPHER

AARON: CAUSE THEY ASK IF I COULD GO WITH THEM, TO WHERE TO OUR CLUB

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, DID YOU TELL YOU MAMA IT WAS A BOY SCOUT THING, OR A CUB SCOUT THING?

AARON: I DIDN'T TELL HER, THEY TOLD HER WHAT WE HAD TO GO, WE HAD A BOYS SCOUT MEETING

RIDGE: OH, OKAY

AARON: AND THEY DID AND THEY JUST WENT TO, UM OUR CLUB

RIDGE: THEY DID, DID YOU GO WITH THEM?

X AARON: UH-UH (NO) I WASN'T ALLOWED TO ANYMORE

RIDGE: MAMA WOULDN'T LET YOU GO? WHY NOT?

AARON: BECAUSE WE LIVE TO FAR AWAY

RIDGE: OH, OKAY.

AARON: AND WHENEVER IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO...TO ME I COULDN'T JUST GO TO OUR OLD HOUSE ANYMORE

RIDGE: YEAH (YES), SO THEY WERE GOING TO THE CLUB ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, WHEN YOU GOT OUT OF SCHOOL, AND THEY ASK YOU IF YOU COULD GO? AND YOU ASKED YOUR MAMA AND SHE SAID NO. OKAY, THAT EVENING, WHERE DID YOU GO THAT EVENING?

AARON: HOME

RIDGE: OKAY, WHERE DID YOUR MAMA GO?

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AARON: SHE WENT...SHE WENT TO OUR HOUSE

RIDGE: OKAY, DID SHE GO ANY WHERE AFTER YOU GOT HOME  
THAT EVENING?

AARON: ANYWHERE I CAN'T REMEMBER IF SHE DID OR NOT

RIDGE: OH, DID YOU GO ANYWHERE ELSE THAT DAY?

AARON: OUTSIDE TO PLAY

RIDGE: HAVE YOU GOT A BICYCLE?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: YOU DON'T HAVE ONE, WHEN YOU WENT OUTSIDE AND  
PLAYED WHERE DID YOU GO?

AARON: MY COUSIN'S

RIDGE: WHO'S YOUR COUSIN'S

AARON: CHARLES AND CHARLIE ??????////THEY LET ME  
BORROW THEIR BIKE

RIDGE: OH, WHERE DID YOU GO WHEN YOU BORROWED THEIR  
BIKE?

AARON: I WENTS TO RUBY'S

RIDGE: TO WHAT?

X AARON: RUBY'S

RIDGE: RUBY'S, WHERE DOES RUBY LIVE?

X AARON: NO THAT'S A STORE

RIDGE: OH

AARON: IT'S NEAR OUR HOUSE

RIDGE: RUBY'S IS IT

AARON: IT'S WHERE YOU BUY STUFF FOR QUARTERS

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, DID YOU EVER GO OVER TO THE WOODS  
WHERE YOUR CLUB HOUSE WAS FROM YOUR HOUSE NOW? DO YOU EVER  
RIDE YOUR BICYCLE OVER THERE?

AARON: UM////////

RIDGE: IT'S NOT VERY FAR IS IT?

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AARON: UH-UH (NO) LITTLE JESSIE SAID THAT UM, HE SEEN  
MICHAEL. HE WAS UM COMING .. HE COMING OUT AND UM, HE SEEN A  
POLICE CAR, HE WAS COMING OUT FROM THE UM BRIDGE AND HE SEEN  
THE POLICE CAR AND LIKE HE RAN UNDER... BACK UNDERNEATH THE  
BRIDGE

RIDGE: WHEN DID THAT HAPPEN?

AARON: HE SAID HE SEEN HIM, THE DAY ABOUT

RIDGE: OH, THE DAY

AARON: DAY THEY WERE MISSING

RIDGE: OH, THAT HE WENT UNDER A BRIDGE AND HE SAW THE  
POLICE SO HE HID BACK UNDER THE BRIDGE?

AARON: HE DIDN'T SEE CHRIS OR STEVE

RIDGE: OH, WHO DID HE SEE?

AARON: HE SAID HE, LITTLE JESSIE SAID HE SEEN A UM  
HE SEEN A COP... COP CAR COMING OUT FROM UNDERNEATH THE  
BRIDGE CLOSE TO MY HOUSE,

RIDGE: OH

AARON: IT WAS CLOSE TO MY, I THINK THEY WERE COMING  
TO MY HOUSE, AND THEY ... THEY GOT LOST TO WHERE I LIVED

RIDGE: WHO YOU THINK STEVIE AND MICHAEL WERE COMING  
TO YOUR HOUSE?

AARON: BECAUSE I THINK THEY ALL WAS, I TOLD MICHAEL  
BEFORE

RIDGE: WHERE YOU LIVED, SO YOU THOUGHT MAYBE THEY  
WERE GOING TO RIDE OVER TO YOUR HOUSE? AND LITTLE JESSIE  
SAID HE THOUGHT HE SAW THEM THAT DAY IS THAT RIGHT?

AARON: HE DID SEE MICHAEL

RIDGE: HE DID SEE MICHAEL

AARON: MICHAEL HAS BROWN HAIR AND HE HAD ON OUR CUB  
SCOUT T-SHIRT AND HIS BLUE PANTS

RIDGE: OH, WHERE DID HE SEE HIM AT?

AARON: HE SEEN HIM, YOU KNOW THAT BRIDGE WHERE THAT  
TRAIN GOING TODAY UM, HE SEEN HIM UNDERNEATH THAT ONE

RIDGE: OH

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AARON: THAT'S CLOSE TO MY HOUSE

RIDGE: WHEN DID HE SAY HE SAW THEM? ON THAT  
WEDNESDAY?

AARON: YEAH (YES) ON THAT WEDNESDAY

RIDGE: OKAY, DID LITTLE JESSIE, WHO'S SOME OF HIS  
FRIENDS?

\* AARON: BUBBA, UM, BUBBA, AND DENNIS, I'M ONE OF HIS  
FRIENDS

RIDGE: OH

AARON: AND

RIDGE: DO YOU KNOW JASON?

RIDGE: DO YOU SHAWN? YOU DON'T KNOW A SHAWN, HOW  
ABOUT UH, DO YOU KNOW ANYBODY NAMED DAMIEN?

AARON: DAMIEN

RIDGE: YOU KNOW SOMEBODY NAMED DAMIEN? WHO DO YOU  
KNOW NAMED DAMIEN?

AARON: BUBBA'S FRIEND, BUBBA FRIEND

RIDGE: WHAT'S BUBBA'S LAST NAME?

AARON: BABBA I DON'T KNOW

RIDGE: WHAT DOES DAMIEN LOOK LIKE?

\* AARON: I NEVER KNEW HIM, BUT JESSIE... JESSIE UM,  
SHOWN ME HIM AND I DIDN'T GET REAL CLOSE TO HIM

RIDGE: OH

AARON: TO SEE HIM

RIDGE: HOW OLD IS HE?

AARON: I DON'T KNOW

RIDGE: HOW OLD IS BUBBA?

AARON: BUBBA IS, I THINK HE IS THIRTEEN

RIDGE: THIRTEEN, HOW OLD IS JESSIE?

\* AARON: I THINK HE IS... I THINK HE'S UM, UH, HE'S  
TWELVE

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RIDGE: OKAY, NOW THE FIVE MEN YOU SAW DOWN IN THE WOODS, HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANY OF THEM BEFORE?

\* AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: NEVER SAW ANY OF THEM AT A STORE, NEVER SAW ANY OF THEM WALKING DOWN THE STREET OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

AARON: I SAW UM, THAT MAN WITH THE WHITE TANK

RIDGE: UH-HUH (YES)

\* AARON: IN THE FLASH MARKET

RIDGE: YOU DID, WHEN DID YOU SEE HIM?

AARON: WE WERE WAS GOING TO FLASH MARKET ONE DAY, ME AND CHRIS, WE UH, WE WALKED IN, WE SEEN THIS MAN PAYING... PAYING A LADY FOR HIS GAS, AND UM, WE RAN RIGHT OUT

RIDGE: OH, DID HE SAY SOMETHING TO YOU?

AARON:

RIDGE: OKAY, WERE YOU... WERE YOU NOT SUPPOSE TO BE AT THE FLASH MARKET?

AARON: I'M ALLOWED TO GO THERE, I WAS SEVEN

RIDGE: OH

AARON: CHRIS WAS EIGHT, NICH... MICHAEL WAS EIGHT

RIDGE: OH

ARRON: AND SO UM, UM STEVE,

RIDGE: OKAY

ARRON: I CAME UNPLUGED

ALLEN: JUST NOW/////

RIDGE: OKAY, WE PLUGGED IT BACK UP, UM, WHEN YOU WOULD SEE THESE GUYS OUT IN THE WOODS, THESE MEN, DID THEY EVER SEE YOU?

\* AARON: UH, I THINK SO BECAUSE THAT ONE MAN WITH THE WHITE TANK TOP SAID "HI FELLOWS, IT WAS... HE SAID WASN'T YOU GUYS WATCHING US?" THAT

RIDGE: OH, WHEN DID THAT HAPPEN?

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AARON: WE GOT... WE GOT... WE GOT KINDA SCARED, WE  
RAN RIGHT OUT

RIDGE: WHEN DID THAT HAPPEN?

AARON: THAT DAY, THE DAY WE WENT IN TO FLASH MARKET

RIDGE: OH, THE SAME DAY YOU WENT TO FLASH MARKET, DID  
HE SAY THAT TO YOU IN THE WOODS, OR DID HE SAY THAT TO YOU IN  
THE FLASH MARKET?

X AARON: IN THE FLASH MARKET

RIDGE: OH, OKAY... OKAY

AARON: BUT ALL ... CHRIS HAD FIVE DOLLARS AND GIVE  
US, GIVE ME... ME UM, A DOLLAR AND HE HAD A DOLLAR

RIDGE: OKAY, WHEN UH, YOU GOT SCARED AND YOU RAN, DID  
HE CHASE YOU OR ANYTHING? OKAY

AARON: HE JUST SAID COME BACK, AND WE DIDN'T SAY A  
WORD BECAUSE WE KNEW WE WASN'T SUPPOSE TO TALK TO STRANGERS

RIDGE: HE'S DIFFIDENTLY STRANGE UH? OKAY, WELL WHEN  
YOU WENT IN TO THE FLASH MARKET AND YOU SAYS HE WAS BUYING  
GAS, HE WAS PAYING FOR GAS, DID HE HAVE A CAR? DID  
YOU SEE WHAT KINDA OF CAR HE HAD?

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: WHAT KIND OF CAR WAS IT?

AARON: IT WAS A NICE CAR

RIDGE: IT WAS A NICE CAR

AARON: I THINK THEY WERE UM, THEY WERE STEALING STUFF  
BECAUSE UM, CAUSE THAT WAS UM, A IT WAS A CONVERTIBLE

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT COLOR WAS IT?

AARON: IT WAS PAIN... IT HAD PAINT ON IT RED

RIDGE: RED PAINT

AARON: IT LOOKED LIKE HE PAINTED IT

RIDGE: OH, BUT IT WAS A CONVERTIBLE, WAS THE  
CONVERTIBLE DOWN OR WAS IT UP?

AARON: IT WAS DOWN

RIDGE: IT WAS DOWN,

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AARON: HE PAINTED IT RED AND IT WAS DOWN, HIS HOOD  
WENT UP AND DOWN

RIDGE: THE HOOD WENT UP AND DOWN? HOW DO YOU MEAN?

AARON: I MEAN THE PART WAS

RIDGE: OH, THE TOP

AARON: YEA, THE TOP

RIDGE: OH, OKAY,

AARON: IT CAME UP AND DOWN AND HE HAD IT DOWN

RIDGE: WAS IT JUST LIKE PAINTED RED IN SPOTS, OR WAS  
IT RED ALL OVER,

AARON: IT WAS RED

RIDGE: BUT IT DIDN'T LOOK GOOD?

AARON: IT WAS RED ALL OVER

RIDGE: DID IT LOOK GOOD?

AARON: IT LOOKED REAL NICE

RIDGE: OH, IT DID, OKAY

AARON: I UM,///// WHEN EVER HE GOT IN THE CAR, WE  
ALL, WE ME AND CHRIS SAID BUDDY GET THAT CAR/////

RIDGE: OH

AARON: AND WE STARTED RUNNING REAL.. REAL FAST

RIDGE: UM

AARON: BECAUSE WE ALMOST LEFT OUR BIKES

RIDGE: OH

AARON: AND WE, THE DAY I HAD IT, WE ALMOST LEFT OUR  
BIKES

RIDGE: YOU GOT SCARED

AARON: WE GOT TO SCARED WE FORGOT ALL ABOUT OUR  
BIKES AND ALMOST LEFT THEM, WE WENT TO GATE... GATE WHERE  
THESE PEOPLE WERE LIVING, AND I SAID WE FORGOT OUR BIKES  
AND WE RAN BACK, JUMPED ON OUR BIKES AND STARTED GOING FAST

RIDGE: WAS THERE ANYBODY IN THE CAR WITH HIM?

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AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: HE WAS IN THERE MY HIMSELF? OKAY, BUT IT WAS A  
REAL NICE CAR IT WAS PAINTED RED

AARON: THIS COLOR RED

RIDGE: AND IT WAS A CONVERTIBLE, ABOUT THIS COLOR OR  
THIS COLOR?

AARON: THIS COLOR

RIDGE: THIS COLOR LIKE ON THE COKE CAN RED?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: SHINY, WAS IT SHINY?

AARON: REAL SHINY

RIDGE: WAS IT A BIG CAR OR A LITTLE CAR?

AARON: IT WAS KINDA BIG

RIDGE: WAS IT BIGGER THAN YOUR MAMA'S TRUCK?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: SO IT WAS ABOUT LIKE

AARON: IT WAS ABOUT LIKE TO MY MAMA'S WINDOW, WHERE  
IT'S UM

RIDGE: SHORT

AARON: ALL THE WAY DOWN

RIDGE: OKAY, WHAT I MEAN LIKE THE POLICE CARS OUT  
FRONT THAT WE SAW, THEY'RE BIG CARS

AARON: YEAH (YES)

RIDGE: WAS IT THAT BIG OF CAR?

AARON: KINDA LIKE THAT

RIDGE: OKAY, OKAY

AARON: AND HE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A SPOT OFF DIRT ON IT  
AND WE THOUGHT.. WE THOUGHT HE JUST GOT IT TO TODAY

RIDGE: OH LIKE BRAND NEW

AARON: YEA, YOU COULD OF STOLEN IT, OR UM, ROBBED A  
BANK OR UM, OR STOLE SOME MONEY

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RIDGE: OKAY, DID YOU EVER SEE HIM AGAIN?

AARON: THE MAN WITH THE WITH TANK TOP?

RIDGE: YEA (YES)

AARON: UH-UH

RIDGE: OKAY, AFTER YOU SAW IN FLASH MARKET, DID YOU EVER SEE HIM BACK OUT IN THE WOODS AGAIN?

AARON:

RIDGE: YOU DID? DID HE EVER SEE YOU?

AARON: UM,

RIDGE: OUT IN THE WOODS?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: YOU THINK HE DID?

AARON: I THINK HE DID CAUSE, HE ALWAYS LOOKED AT THE TREE WHENEVER, WE UM, WE WERE BESIDE IT

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, WHEN YOU WOULD GO DOWN AND BE GETTING READY TO WATCH THEM, WERE THEY ALREADY THERE?

AARON: NO WE WERE THERE BEFORE THEY WERE

RIDGE: OKAY, AND YOU WOULD WATCH THEM, DID THEY COME IN THERE ALL OF THEM COME IN THE SAME WAY? ALL OF THEM COME ACROSS THE PIPE, OR DID SOME OF THEM COME FROM LIKE THE TRUCK WAS IS?

AARON: ONE CAME BY WATER

RIDGE: UM?

AARON: ONE CAME BY ONE THE PIPE

RIDGE: ONE CAME BY THE PIKE, WHERE WOULD THE REST OF THEM COME FROM?

AARON: ALL OF... I MEAN ALL OF THEM CAME FROM THE PIPE

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, WOULD THEY COME IN ALL AT ONCE, OR WOULD THEY COME IN ONE AT A TIME OR

AARON: ONE AT A TIME

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RIDGE: ALWAYS ONE AT A TIME  
AARON: TO MAKE SURE NOBODY WAS THERE  
RIDGE: THEY WOULD MAKE SURE NOBODY WAS THERE  
AARON: THEY NEVER SEEN US  
RIDGE: THEY NEVER SAW YOU?  
AARON: BECAUSE WE WERE BEHIND KINDA A WEED  
RIDGE: OH  
AARON: WEEDS  
RIDGE: OKAY. WHAT ELSE CAN YOU THINK ABOUT  
AARON: I THINK THAT'S ALL  
RIDGE: YOU THINK THAT'S IT?  
AARON:  
RIDGE: DID, HAVE YOU BEEN BACK TO SCHOOL?  
AARON: UH-UH (NO)  
RIDGE: WHAT GRADE YOU GOING INTO NEXT YEAR?  
AARON: THE 3RD, WE'VE GOING TO BY SCHOOL TO SEE IF I  
PASSED.  
RIDGE: YEA, YOUR GOING TO PASS I'M SURE, AS SMART AS  
YOU ARE  
X AARON: GARY GITCHELL TOOK ME OUT  
RIDGE: OH  
AARON: BECAUSE HE DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO  
ME IF LIKE UM, SOMEONE, SOMEBODY COULD GET, OR A MAN COULD  
DISGUISE HIS SELF LIKE MY MOM AND TELL, AND UM, HAVE A TRUCK  
IT AND TELL THEM TO COME ON IN  
RIDGE: WELL LET ME ASK YOU SOMETHING YOU'VE TALKED TO  
SOME OF YOUR LITTLE FRIENDS SCHOOL, THE FRIENDS OUT AT THE  
TRAILER PARK, SINCE, HAS ANY OF THEM TOLD YOU WHAT THEY THINK  
HAPPENED TO THE BOYS?  
AARON: UH-UH (NO)  
RIDGE: NOBODY HAS TOLD YOU?

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AARON: UH-UH (NO) NOBODY EVEN KNOWS THAT... THAT I  
KNOW WHAT REALLY HAPPENED. /////WHAT I THINK HAPPENED TO  
THEM

RIDGE: DO YOU KNOW WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?

AARON: I KNOW MOST OF IT

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: I THINK THEY WENT DOWN THERE, THEY UM, THE  
MEN SEEN THEM, AND THAT WHITE TANK TOP MAN, THAT HAD ON THE  
WHITE TANK TOP, HE TOLD THE REST OF THE MAN TO HOLD THEM OR  
SOMETHING AND PROBABLY DID IT

RIDGE: OH, THE ONE THAT'S IN THE WHITE SHIRT DOES HE  
LIKE TO BOSS?

AARON: KIND OFF

RIDGE: HE IS

AARON: HE ALWAYS TELLS THEM WHAT TO DO AND THEY DO IT

RIDGE: OH, OKAY IF YOU WERE TO LOOK AT SOME PICTURES  
DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD PICK OUT ANY OF THESE GUYS, DO YOU  
THINK YOU COULD RECOGNIZE THEM IN PICTURES?

AARON: I COULD PROBABLY RECOGNIZE THE HAIR, KINDA  
THE FACE

RIDGE: UH-HUH (YES) DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT FOR ME IN  
A FEW MINUTES?

AARON: YEA I WILL/////

RIDGE: YOU WILL OKAY, WHAT DO YOU THINK WE OUGHT TO  
DO WITH THESE MAN WHEN WE CATCH THEM?

AARON: I TOLD MY MOM, THAT THE POLICE SHOULD DO WHAT  
THEY DID TO MICHAEL, CHRIS AND STEVE

RIDGE: OH

AARON: CAUSE I THEY SHOULDN'T REALLY EVEN DO IT TO  
KIDS THAT AGE

RIDGE: OH, WHAT DID YOU HEAR GOT DONE TO THE BOYS?

AARON: THEY GOT RAP... THEY GOT RAPED AND THEY GOT  
BEATEN TO DEATH, AND THEY GOT DROWNED

RIDGE: OH

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RIDGE: NOW WHEN THEY WERE DOING THESE NASTY THINGS  
I WANT YOU TO BE REAL SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT THEY WERE DOING.  
OKAY, WERE THEY ALL MEN?

AARON: ALL MEN

RIDGE: WAS THERE EVER A WOMAN THAT WENT OUT THERE OR  
A GIRL? YOU NEVER SAY ONE?

AARON: (Inaudible)

RIDGE: OKAY, NOW WHAT WOULD THE MAN DO?

AARON: THEY WOULD DO WHAT MEN AND WOMEN DO

RIDGE: YEA, I KNOW BUT I NEED YOU TO EXPLAIN TO ME  
WHAT THEY WOULD DO?

AARON: THEY WOULD, ONE WOULD LAY ON TOP THE OTHER

RIDGE: OKAY, WOULD HE STICK HIS PEE-PEE SOME WHERE?  
DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU PEE-PEE IS?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

X RIDGE: OKAY, DO YOU KNOW WHAT A PENIS IS? DO YOU  
KNOW WHAT A PENIS IS? EXPLAIN TO ME WHAT A PENIS IS?

AARON: IT'S WHAT MAN HAVE

RIDGE: OKAY, AND THEY WOULD TAKE THEY'VE PENIS WHAT  
WOULD THEY DO WITH IT?

AARON: THEY WOULD PUT IT IN SOMEBODY'S BOTTOM

X RIDGE: OH, THEY WOULD, OKAY, DID THEY EVER PUT IT IN  
THEIR MOUTH?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: YOU NEVER SAW THEM DO THAT?

AARON: UN-UH (NO)

RIDGE: OKAY, ALRIGHT, AND WHEN THEY WOULD PUT IT IN  
THEIR BOTTOM, WERE THEY LAYING ON THE GROUND? OR WERE THEY  
STANDING UP OR BENDING OVER OR WHAT WERE THEY DOING?

AARON: THEY WERE LAYING DOWN

RIDGE: LAYING DOWN

AARON: ONE... ONE DID HIS FACE TO THE GROUND AND THE  
OTHER MAN WAS WATCHING THE GROUND TO HE OPENED BACK /////

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AARON: SEE THEY HOGGED TIED THEM AND THEN PUT BRICKS  
ON THEM SO THEY WON'T FLOAT

RIDGE: OH

AARON: THAT'S WHAT I THINK, THAT'S WHAT I HEARD THAT  
SAID

RIDGE: WHO TOLD YOU THAT?

AARON: NOBODY, I JUST, I HEARD THAT FROM THE NEWS

RIDGE: OH.

AARON: AND UM, DIANE... DIANE MICHAEL'S MOM SAID  
THAT SHE SEEN HIS FACE AND IT HAD KNIFE STABS ON IT.

RIDGE: OH

AARON: ON HIM

RIDGE: OKAY, YOU SAID THAT THEY WERE HOGGED TIED. HOW  
WOU... HOW DO YOU THINK HOGGED TIED IS?

AARON: THEY PUT THEIR FEET TOGETHER AND THEIR ARMS  
TOGETHER LIKE THAT, CAUSE I BEEN TOOK RODEO, THEY HAVE KIDS  
AND HOG AND IF YOU TIE A HOG YOU GET TWO DOLLARS, I... I  
ALWAYS KNOW HOW TO DO THAT

RIDGE: OH

AARON: I ALWAYS WIN

RIDGE: OH OKAY, YOU'VE DONE THAT BEFORE?

AARON: IT'S HARD TO CATCH IT, ONE TIME THEY'VE HAD  
A BULL RIDE

RIDGE: UH-HUH (YES)

AARON: FOR KIDS, A BABY BULL AND ONE TIME UM, THE  
MAMA BULL UM, GOT... GOT OUT AND UM, HIT THE KID WITH ITS'S  
HORNS

RIDGE: OH, I BET THAT HURT?

AARON: AND THEN UM, THE BABY BULL STEPPED... STEPPED  
ON HIS... HIS FACE

RIDGE: OKAY

AARON: THAT'S HURT'S

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RIDGE: OH, DID THEY EVER GET IN THE WATER?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: THERE SOM... THAT'S A DITCH DOWN THERE ISN'T?  
OKAY, UP ON ONE BANK YOU SHOWN ME WHERE THEY BUILT A FIRE, IS  
THAT THE ONLY PLACE THEY EVER BUILT A FIRE?

AARON: UH-UH (NO)

RIDGE: WHERE ELSE WOULD THEY BUILD A FIRE?

AARON: THEY BUILD FIRES ALL OVER THE PLACE

RIDGE: OH, OKAY, AND WHEN THEY WOULD DO THE NASTY  
THINGS, WOULD THEY DO THE NASTY THINGS ALL OVER THE PLACE  
OR AT JUST THAT ONE PLACE?

AARON: SOMETIMES THEY GOT IN THE WATER AND DID IT

RIDGE: SOMETIMES THEY GOT IN THE WATER AND DID IT,  
UM, WHY WOULD THEY DO THAT I WONDER?

AARON: I DON'T KNOW

RIDGE: YOU DON'T KNOW WHY, OKAY

AARON: THERE WAS PEOPLE NEXT, THERE WAS PEOPLE CLOSE  
TO THE UM, THAT ACROSS THE PIPE

RIDGE: OH, DO YOU THINK MAYBE THEY WERE SCARED OF  
GETTING CAUGHT?

AARON: UM,

✓ RIDGE: DO YOU THINK THEY WERE? OKAY ALRIGHT I THINK  
WE ARE GOING TO LET YOU TAKE A LOOK AT SOME PICTURES HERE IN  
A FEW MINUTES, IS THAT ALRIGHT WITH YOU?

AARON: UH-HUH (YES)

RIDGE: YOU STILL HAVE SOME COKE OR DO YOU WANT  
ANOTHER ONE?

AARON: STILL GOT SOME

RIDGE: OH, YOU STILL GOT SOME OKAY, I'M GOING TO STOP  
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