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#### The Simpsons

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### Cast List

HOMER	DAN CASTELLANETA
MARGE	JULIE KAVNER
BART	NANCY CARTWRIGHT
LISA	YEARDLEY SMITH
MUSEUM EMPLOYEE	HANK AZARIA
NED FLANDERS	HARRY SHEARER
LENNY	HARRY SHEARER
CARL	. HANK AZARIA
SIDESHOW , MEL	. DAN CASTELLANETA
MOE	. HANK AZARIA
ROD FLANDERS	NANCY CARTWRIGHT
TODD FLANDERS	. PAMELA HAYDEN
STERN VOICE (V.O.)	. HANK AZARIA
COMIC BOOK GUY	. HANK AZARIA
IMAX NARRATOR	. HARRY SHEARER
ОТТО	. HARRY SHEARER
PATTY	.JULIE KAVNER
SELMA	JULIE KAVNER
CHICKEN	. DAN CASTELLANETA
FEMALE FRENCH VOICE	TRESS MACNEILLE
MILHOUSE	. PAMELA HAYDEN
MELANIE GRIFFITH	. HERSELF
REV. LOVEJOY	. HARRY SHEARER
MR. TEENY	. DAN CASTELLANETA
HELEN LOVEJOY	. MAGGIE ROSWELL

MRS. SKINNER ..... TRESS MACNEILLE MAYOR QUIMBY ..... DAN CASTELLANETA PRINCIPAL SKINNER ..... HARRY SHEARER RALPH ..... NANCY CARTWRIGHT NARRATOR (V.O.) ..... HANK AZARIA CHARLES DARWIN ..... DAN CASTELLANETA YOUNG BOY ..... TRESS MACNEILLE DINOSAUR ..... HANK AZARIA SANTA'S LITTLE HELPER .. DAN CASTELLANETA CHRISTIAN ROCK SINGER .. HANK AZARIA BARNEY ..... DAN CASTELLANETA CROWD ..... DAN/HARRY/HANK/TRESS/PAMELA MISS HOOVER ..... MAGGIE ROSWELL GROUNDSKEEPER WILLIE ... DAN CASTELLANETA DATABASE ..... NANCY CARTWRIGHT MARTIN ..... RUSSI TAYLOR NELSON ..... NANCY CARTWRIGHT DOLPH ..... TRESS MACNETLLE CHIEF WIGGUM ..... HANK AZARIA JAILBIRD ..... HANK AZARIA KENT BROCKMAN ..... HARRY SHEARER CLARISSE DRUMMOND ..... TRESS MACNEILLE COURTROOM ..... DAN/HARRY/HANK/TRESS/PAMELA WALLACE BRADY ..... HANK AZARIA PASSERSBY ..... DAN/HARRY/HANK/TRESS/PAMELA PROF, FRINK ..... HANK AZARIA SCIENTIST-TYPE ..... HARRY SHEARER

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ACT ONE

FADE IN:

SCENE 1

EXT. SPRINGFIELD STREET - DAY

The SIMPSONS walk down the street.  $\checkmark$ 

#### LISA

Thanks for taking us to the Museum of Natural History, Mom.

MARGE

Well, I'm so glad there's a show we

women can enjoy!

They look up at the...  $\checkmark$ 

#### EXT. SPRINGFIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY - DAY $\checkmark$

A large special exhibit banner reads "LOOMS, LABOR AND LIBERATION -- A HISTORY OF WOMEN WEAVING". A large banner \ nearby depicts a woman working a loom.

#### BART

(UPSET) Homer, you're my father, you're supposed to protect me from things like this!

Homer quickly looks around to make sure no one sees, then:  $\checkmark$ 

#### HOMER

All right. Just this once you can drink out of my special water bottle. (HOLDS UP SILVER LIQUOR FLASK)

SCENE 1 (CONT'D)

Bart takes the flask and unscrews it. Just as he is about to drink from it, WORKMEN unfurl a new banner in front of the loom banner reading "THE HISTORY OF WEAPONS!" In front of the banner of the woman on the loom, workmen unfurl a banner depicting the silhouette of a man with bayonet, axe and samurai sword stuck in him. A gun is being fired at him and a lit stick of dynamite is in his mouth. A word balloon coming from his mouth reads "SPONSORED BY KELLOGG'S".

#### LISA/MARGE

(SHOCKED) What ?!

#### MUSEUM EMPLOYEE

(WISE GUY VOICE) Sorry, loom-wads, new

exhibit's in town.

Marge and Lisa look downcast. Bart and Homer HIGH-FIVE.

#### BART/HOMER

Woo-hoo! Weapons!

#### LISA

(ANNOYED) Bart, it's still history.

#### BART

Not if I spend the whole time running

around like this.

Bart makes his hands into guns and starts running around.  $\checkmark$ 

BART (CONT'D)

(GUN-SHOOTING NOISES, THEN) Die,

weapons, die!

#### HOMER

Don't start the exhibit without me! Homer makes his hands into guns.  $\checkmark$ 

#### FLANDERS

SCENE 1 (CONT'D)

(RESIGNED) Oh, fine. Just shut up.

WIDEN to reveal LENNY and CARL a little behind Flanders.

#### LENNY

Homer, you can't just cut in front of

us.

#### CARL

We've been in line for hours.

#### HOMER

You two are a constant delight. Take

back cuts.

Lenny and Carl step up behind the Simpsons in front of Flanders. Other people step behind Lenny and Carl, in front of Flanders, including:

#### SIDESHOW MEL

Someone is doling out "cuts?" I, for

one, wish to partake of said!

Mel, who is behind Flanders, walks towards Homer. Moe, who  $\sqrt{}$  is behind Mel, sees this.

#### MOE

(RE: HEAD BONE) Hey, if Boner here is gettin' cuts, I want 'em too. I want what everybody else gets, and I want them to get nothin'! And once they got nothin', I want 'em to get sick.

When the hubbub subsides, Flanders, Rod and Todd see that they are now at the end of the line. Ned **SIGHS** and says to the boys: FLANDERS

SCENE 1 (CONT'D)

(UPBEAT) Looks like we'll get to spend

even more time in line!

ROD/TODD

Yaaay!

After a short beat:

TODD

Daddy, my feet are sore.

FLANDERS

Just like Simon the Cyrenian!

ROD/TODD

(LESS ENTHUSIASTIC) Yaaay!

#### INT. MUSEUM EXHIBIT - LATER V.

Marge and Maggie look at a display called "CHILDREN'S TOUCH WALL". Various weapons (including blunderbusses, hand grenades, bows and arrows, etc.) are mounted on the wall. (Kids are eagerly **TOUCHING** them.)

#### MARGE

Go ahead, Maggie. You're allowed to

touch the deadly weapons.

Maggie delightedly pulls a switchblade off the wall and  $\checkmark$  **FLICKS** it open.

MARGE (CONT'D)

(PLAYFUL) Ooh, it's a mugger! I'll

hand over all my hugs and kisses!

A sullen expression crosses Maggie's face. She jabs the switchblade in the air towards Marge twice, threateningly.

SCENE 2

MARGE (CONT'D) SCENE 2 (CONT'D)

(A LITTLE WORRIED) Okay, be cool. I've

got some candy in my purse ...

Marge quickly searches her purse for candy. We PAN OVER TO Lisa, standing by a glass booth labeled "DEFUSE A NUCLEAR BOMB". Inside is a model of a small nuclear explosive with wires and a **TICKING** digital clock which counts down. Lisa reaches through gloves inside the glass, trying to defuse the bomb. Suddenly, there's a bright flash of light.

SFX: SIREN

STERN VOICE (V.O.)

You have failed and millions have died. How do you sleep? (THEN FRIENDLY)

Press start to try again.

#### ANGLE ON EXHIBIT

labeled "GLADIATORS OF ANCIENT ROME". We see a wax figure of a gladiator carrying sword and shield fighting a wax figure of a gladiator carrying a trident and fish net. COMIC BOOK GUY stands in front.

#### COMIC BOOK GUY

(SARCASTIC) Oh, a fish net. <u>That's</u> a great weapon. It would certainly come in handy if I was fighting a school of sardines.

Suddenly, the gladiator holding the trident and fish net **FALLS** on top of Comic Book Guy.

COMIC BOOK GUY (CONT'D)

#### Help! Help!

The museum employee comes up holding an Exacto knife. He leans down to start to cut the net.

SCENE 2 (CONT'D) COMIC BOOK GUY (CONT'D)

(SARCASTIC) Ooh, an Exacto knife. What

are you gonna do, lay out a magazine?

The museum employee rolls his eyes and walks off without freeing Comic Book Guy.

COMIC BOOK GUY (CONT'D)

(SINCERE, TO SELF) I deserve everything

that happens to me.

#### ANGLE ON HOMER

He stands by a wall labeled "BULLET-PROOF VESTS". Many bullet-proof vests are displayed. Homer wears a bulletproof vest and is shooting the vest at point-blank range with a pistol.

#### HOMER

#### (GIGGLES REPEATEDLY)

#### SFX: GUNSHOTS MIXED IN

Homer stops shooting. We PULL WIDE to see the ricochets have demolished everything else in the room. Lisa nervously sticks her head out from behind a pillar.

#### LISA

Ricochets, Dad. Ricochets.

EXT. MUSEUM - LATER - ESTABLISHING V

INT. MUSEUM - MOVIE THEATER - CONTINUOUS

Homer and Bart sit in stadium seats in front of an IMAX screen wearing plastic 3-D glasses. Lenny, Carl and Comic Book Guy are also in the theater, also wearing 3-D glasses.

ON SCREEN

IMAX NARRATOR (V.O.)

IMAX 3-D Films presents: "Nunchucks:

Cool but Useless."

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SCENE 2 (CONT'D) A MARTIAL ARTIST (in Gi) does amazing martial arts moves  $\surd$  with two sets of nunchucks.

IMAX NARRATOR (V.O. CONT'D)

The nunchuck was invented thousands of years ago by a Chinese monk. Artifacts of the time indicate that this incident was hilarious.

We see an ancient Chinese vase. A painting on it depicts a monk hitting himself in the face with the nunchucks. The vase rotates to show the monk's friend laughing at him. The vase rotates again to show the monk hitting his friend in the leg. Over the preceding we hear **CHINESE MUSIC**.

IMAX NARRATOR (V.O. CONT'D)

Now, thanks to the power of IMAX in

3-D, you can feel the devastating power

of the nunchuck.

The martial artist from before swipes his nunchucks down at the audience (through the center of the screen).

#### ANGLE ON AUDIENCE

Homer and Bart lean away from each other, dodging the nunchucks.

#### HOMER/BART

#### (AMAZED DODGING SOUND)

#### **ON SCREEN**

The martial artist swings his nunchucks across the top of the screen.

ANGLE ON AUDIENCE

Homer and Bart duck.

HOMER/BART

(DUCKING NOISE)

#### ON SCREEN

#### SCENE 2 (CONT'D)

The martial artist spins his nunchucks, then smashes upward with them.

### ANGLE ON AUDIENCE

Metal poles **SLAM** up between the audience members' legs, smashing them in the crotch.

#### HOMER

(PAINED) Still beats looking at

paintings.

#### INT. MUSEUM - LATER

Marge and Lisa walk through an exhibit called "CONCEALED WEAPONS THROUGH THE AGES". A cane is on display. Marge pushes a button on the display, and a sword electronically withdraws from the cane.

#### MARGE

#### Ooo, a sword cane.

OTTO pushes a button and a rifle withdraws from a toilet plunger.

#### OTTO

#### Gnarly!

PATTY pushes a button and a microwave oven **DINGS**, then opens and a medieval crossbow emerges out of it.

#### PATTY

This I gotta have.

#### SELMA

#### Check this out.

She points to a CHICKEN which is laying hand grenades.

#### CHICKEN

#### (ANGRY SQUAWK)

It lays another hand grenade.

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#### INT. MUSEUM - ANOTHER AREA

SCENE 3

Homer walks up to a guillotine. He curiously puts his head in the hole. The blade **FALLS** straight at his neck.

HOMER

#### (TERRIFIED SHRIEK)

#### FEMALE FRENCH VOICE (0.S.)

#### Bonjour!

Homer opens his eyes and is pleased to find he's still alive. (He pulls his head out and stands upright.) We see the guillotine is an animatronic character that "speaks" by moving its blade up and down.

#### FEMALE FRENCH VOICE

I am Francine the Guillotine. People think I am très inhumane. But I am just a naughty girl. (SEXY FRENCH LAUGH)

#### HOMER

(TURNED ON) Wow. If I wasn't married, and you weren't a guillotine...

MARGE (O.S.)

Homer, what are you doing?

#### HOMER

(BUSTED) Well, I'm not talking to a sexy guillotine, that's for sure!

FEMALE FRENCH VOICE

I was first used in seventeen ninety-two on a French highwayman.

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#### HOMER

SCENE 3 (CONT'D)

(TO GUILLOTINE) Look baby, here's six

hundred dollars.

He pours cash from his wallet into her basket.

HOMER (CONT'D)

You can get your real estate thing.

Homer walks off, then turns and looks at her sadly, then turns away and exits.

INT. WEAPONS EXHIBIT - ANOTHER AREA

Bart is stretching MILHOUSE on a rack. He TURNS the wheel.

SFX: CRACK

#### MILHOUSE

(MOANS) Stop!

#### BART

C'mon, Milhouse. Do you wanna play in the NBA or not?

#### MILHOUSE

(A LITTLE WORRIED) Bart, my arm's out

of its thing.

#### BART

That means it's working.

Bart turns the wheel again.  $\checkmark$ 

INT. MUSEUM - FOYER - LATER V

Homer, Marge, Lisa, Maggie and many other Springfielders leave the weapons exhibit. Bart joins them accompanied by \ Milhouse, who is two feet taller. (Most of the new height is in his torso.)

#### MILHOUSE

SCENE 3 (CONT'D)

#### Whassup?

He lopes away with big floppy steps. The Simpsons pass Flanders and the boys, who are at the front of the line to get in the weapons exhibit.

#### FLANDERS

You're leaving already? We haven't

even gotten in yet.

#### HOMER

(A LITTLE GUILTY) Sorry, Flanders. But √ when you get in, you can use my audio tour. It's narrated by Melanie Griffith.

Homer hands the wand-style audio tour to Flanders, who  $\sqrt{}$  pushes a button on it. We hear:

MELANIE GRIFFITH (V.O.)

This room's nice. Let's go into the

next one. This room's nice too.

The Simpsons exit. Ned and the boys are about to enter the weapons exhibit as the Museum Employee comes out and closes the door in front of them.

#### MUSEUM EMPLOYEE

(WISEGUY VOICE) Sorry folks, the weapons exhibit is now closed for the day.

#### ROD/TODD

(CONFUSED) Yaaay?

MUSEUM EMPLOYEE SCENE 3 (CONT'D)

Sorry, no yay. But you can all feel

free to enjoy the rest of the museum.

He gestures to three turnstiles, which Ned and the boys go / through as we hear **THREE CLICKS**. Ned looks up to see the hall is labeled "EVOLUTION".

#### FLANDERS

Not this again. I thought that went

away with the Democratic Party.

He tries to back up, but can't go through the turnstile in  $\sqrt{}$  reverse. He **SIGHS** and goes into the exhibit.

### INT. MUSEUM - EXHIBIT - CONTINUOUS

Flanders and the boys enter a large room and find ' themselves face-to-face with a display featuring ape-like v people (around a fire) labeled "MAN'S EARLY ANCESTORS".

#### FLANDERS

#### (HORRIFIED GASP)

He quickly turns the boys away. They now face a crosssection of rock labeled "INDISPUTABLE FOSSIL RECORDS". (It bears the impressions of bones, skulls, trilobites, etc.)

FLANDERS (CONT'D)

#### (ANOTHER HORRIFIED GASP)

Flanders turns his boys another way and sees a sign reading  $\checkmark$  "UNISEX BATHROOM".

FLANDERS (CONT'D)

#### (MOST HORRIFIED GASP OF ALL)

Ned covers his boys' eyes and turns to the museum employee.  $\vee$ 

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FLANDERS (CONT'D) SCENE 3 (CONT'D)

Excuse me. How can you put up an exhibit on the origin of man and not have one mention of the Bible?

#### MUSEUM EMPLOYEE

Oh, we do.

The museum employee points to a crude diorama of Adam and Eve eating the forbidden fruit (a snake watches nearby). Over the diorama is a plaque reading "CREATION MYTHS". A tinny speaker plays "WHAT A FOOL BELIEVES" (Doobie Brothers).

#### FLANDERS

(INCREDIBLY HURT) My most cherished

beliefs -- a myth?

#### TODD

Daddy, was Mommy a monkey? I can't

remember!

#### FLANDERS

No one was ever a monkey! Everything is what it was and always will be! (TO

CURATOR) We are leaving!

#### MUSEUM EMPLOYEE

Want your hand stamped so you can get back in?

#### FLANDERS

I do not!

(He storms out, pulling the boys after him.)

### EXT. FIRST CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD - DAY SCENE 4

The marquee reads "TODAY: CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING". Below  $\sqrt{}$  it reads "TOPIC: RELIGION".

### INT. FIRST CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD - CONTINUOUS

(The church council is meeting in the front pews. Flanders stands.)

#### FLANDERS

I want to talk about a place where

Satan has found a toehold in our town!

#### **REV. LOVEJOY**

(INTRIGUED) A strip club?

#### FLANDERS

No, the museum.

#### **REV. LOVEJOY**

(SIGHS) Someone wake me when this is over.

#### FLANDERS

They're telling people we're descended from a pack of apes. Even though there's nothing about it in the Bible!

Lovejoy holds up a Bible.  $\checkmark$ 

#### **REV. LOVEJOY**

You've gotta take this thing with a grain of salt, Ned. I mean, c'mon.

#### SIDESHOW MEL

I agree with Ned. It's preposterous to put man and monkey on equal footing! WIDEN to reveal MR. TEENY sitting beside him. MR. TEENY

SCENE 4 (CONT'D)

(FEELINGS HURT NOISE)

#### SIDESHOW MEL

(TO TEENY, DERISIVE) I don't care if

you have a producer credit!

HELEN LOVEJOY turns to the Reverend.

HELEN LOVEJOY

Tim, this controversy could put more

meat in the seats.

She gestures to the pews. They're empty except for MRS. SKINNER.

REV. LOVEJOY

(WAVING TO MRS. SKINNER) Good to see you in church.

#### MRS. SKINNER

I thought this was the bus station.

She picks up two suitcases and walks away.

MRS. SKINNER (CONT'D)

(BITTER) Thanks for helping a frail old

lady with her bags.

With one breath, she BLOWS out all the prayer candles.

#### HELEN LOVEJOY

(EXCITED, TO REVEREND) If we use evolution to mobilize our flock, you could start controlling what goes on in this town. REV. LOVEJOY SCENE 4 (CONT'D)

(TURNED ON) Just like my model trains!

They **KISS** passionately.

#### SIDESHOW MEL

Why does every church meeting end this

way?

### INT. SEAFOOD RESTAURANT - DAY

MAYOR QUIMBY, who is wearing a bib, is sitting at a table with a bucket of steamed crabs in front of him. He **SMASHES** them one-by-one with a mallet and **SUCKS** out the meat.

#### MAYOR QUIMBY

(SUCKS CRAB) That's some juicy back

meat!

Ned and Lovejoy walk up to him. (Flanders holds a pen and piece of paper.) Quimby continues to smash and eat crabs throughout this scene.

#### FLANDERS

Mr. Mayor, if we could have a brief

absence of mallets...

#### MAYOR QUIMBY

Make it quick! Time is crabs!

Flanders sets the paper in front of him.

#### FLANDERS

We want you to sign a law that

guarantees a place for creationism in

our museums and public schools.

#### MAYOR QUIMBY

Buy me some steamed corn and you have a

deal.

REV. LOVEJOY

SCENE 4 (CONT'D)

WINTA

Way ahead of you.

He hands Quimby a huge platter of steamed corn.

MAYOR QUIMBY

Very nice.

He looks down at the table.

MAYOR QUIMBY (CONT'D)

Which one is the law and which one is

my bib? Eh, I'll sign 'em both.

INT. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - MISS HOOVER'S CLASS - DAY

MISS HOOVER stands at the front of the class (PRINCIPAL SKINNER is beside).

#### PRINCIPAL SKINNER

Class, starting today we will be presenting an <u>alternative</u> theory on the origin of man.

Miss Hoover writes the word "CREATIONISM" on the board.  $\checkmark$ 

ANGLE ON LISA

#### LISA

(RAISING HAND) Excuse me. This isn't a

church, it's a public school!

PRINCIPAL SKINNER

We know it's a public school. That's the only reason we let Ralph in here.

### RALPH

(HAPPILY) I'm Ralph!

As he says this, we see he is in the hamster cage.

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RALPH (CONT'D) SCENE 4 (CONT'D)

### The wood chips hide my poop!

As Lisa looks concerned at the word "CREATIONISM" on the board, we:

FADE OUT:

### END OF ACT ONE

#### ACT TWO

FADE IN:

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#### INT. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - DAY

(Skinner and Miss Hoover stand in front of Lisa's class.)

#### LISA

How can you teach the book of Genesis

as a scientific theory?

PRINCIPAL SKINNER

This helpful video will evade all your

questions. Eyes screenward!

(He gives Miss Hoover a signal and she starts a video.)  $\sqrt{}$ 

SPRIGHTLY MUSIC plays and a title card reads...

#### NARRATOR (V.O.)

"So You're Calling God A Liar!" (NEW

CARD, THEN QUICKLY) "An Unbiased

Comparison Of Evolution and

Creationism."

We CUT TO a cartoon stage.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Let's say hi to two books: one, the

Bible, was written by our Lord ...

We see the BIBLE floating majestically in mid-air with a / halo above it.

#### MUSIC: GLORIOUS, HEAVENLY

SCENE 5 (CONT'D)

NARRATOR (V.O. CONT'D) ... the other was written by a British man who abandoned his family to take a South Sea cruise.

#### MUSIC: WAH WAH

A tipsy-looking CHARLES DARWIN walks out carrying a book entitled "THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES".

#### CHARLES DARWIN

(COCKNEY ACCENT) Hallo luvs. I'm a

foreigner!

NARRATOR (V.O.)

According to evolution, God didn't make

man.

#### CHARLES DARWIN

I wrote that ?! I musta been pissed to

the gills.

He STUMBLES and FALLS on his face.

CHARLES DARWIN (CONT'D)

Here's my latest theory: (VOMITS)

ANGLE ON LISA

#### LISA

UPSHOT DUTCH

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FBACK UP R

(HORRIFIED) People! This is an ad

hominem attack! Ad hominem!

#### ONSCREEN

We see a depiction of God's hand creating the earth.

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SCENE 6

PULL OUT

NARRATOR (V.O.) SCENE 5 (CONT'D)

And how could evolution be possible when the Bible clearly proves the earth is only six thousand years old? CUT TO a YOUNG BOY who addresses the camera.

YOUNG BOY

But both of my Daddies told me that

dinosaurs are sixty-five million years

old!

We CUT TO a goofy cartoon DINOSAUR who talks like Ed Wynn.

#### DINOSAUR

(ED WYNN) Dinosaurs? That's the most

ridiculous thing I ever heard, don't ya

know.

He disappears in a **PUFF** of smoke.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

But some people just can't accept the Book To truth. Those people are called

scientists.

CUT TO a SCIENTIST in a white lab coat holding a large jar DWN SHOT labeled ["STEM CELLS". He pours the jar in a blender, BLENDS it, drinks it and LAUGHS EVILLY as his brain grows. C/U JAR

#### ANGLE ON LISA

She looks shaken.

EXT. SIMPSON HOUSE - DAY - ESTABLISHING

INT. SIMPSON HOUSE - KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Maggie is sitting on the floor. Marge kneels in front of her holding a cracker.

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MARGESCENE 6 (CONT'D)
C'mon, Maggie. Walk to mommy. Walk to
mommy.
Santa's Little Helper walks up to Marge on his hind legs.
MARGE (CONT'D)
(SURPRISED MURMUR)
While Marge is distracted, Maggie grabs the cracker and UU concerned wallows it.
SANTA'S LITTLE HELPER (2) MARGE/ DOG
("OH FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD" NOISE)
Lisa enters and SIGHS.
MARGE
What's wrong, sweetie?
√ Marge stands up as Lisa says:
LISA
They're making us learn creation theory
in school. (MAD) Today we had a quiz,
and every answer was "God did it."
MARGE
Did you score a hundred?
LISA
(MAD) Everybody scored a hundred!
Smiley stickers are worthless now.
MARGE
Well, I think it's good to give both
ideas a fair hearing. Maybe they could
learn from each other.
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#### LISA

SCENE 6 (CONT'D)

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But they're incompatible!

#### MARGE

Lisa, lots of times two incompatible

things can both be true. My son's a

brat but he's a special little guy.

Your father says he's at work, but

there he is jumping on a trampoline.

She points out a window where Homer is adroitly jumping on  $\sqrt{ARL}$ , a trampoline, doing various moves.

#### LISA

Mom, you really have to choose here, between science and belief.

ANGLE ON MARGE

perplexed.

ANGLE ON LISA

looking earnest.

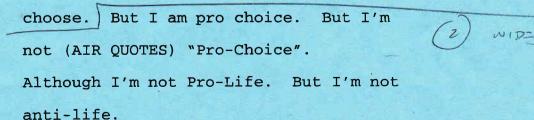
ANGLE ON HOMER

bouncing up and down on the trampoline while stroking his chin.

ANGLE ON MARGE

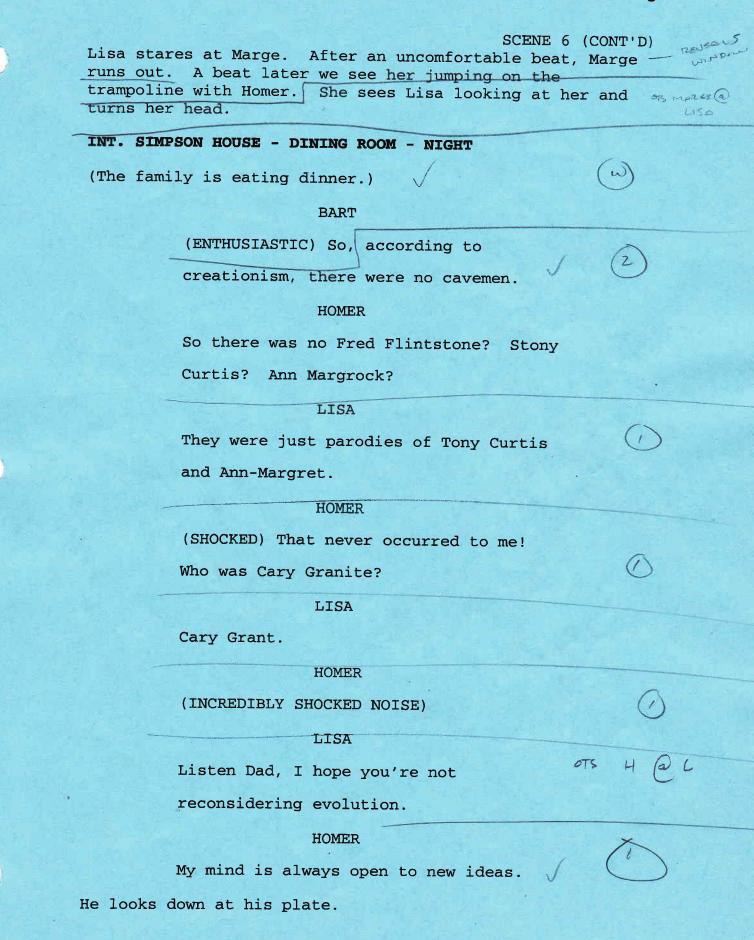
#### MARGE

I'm sorry, Lisa. I don't want to



MARKE, IN FRANTOF WINDOW

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TODD

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(1)

HOMER (CONT'D) SCENE 6 (CONT'D)

(FURIOUS) Onions in the peas! What the hell?

He SMASHES his plate against the wall.

INT. FLANDERS HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - CONTINUOUS SCENE 7 5000 (2) Flanders stands with Rod and Todd.

#### FLANDERS

Boys, tonight we're gonna celebrate

another victory for the word of God

with a pious block of Christian rock.

He turns the radio. As Ned, Rod and Todd dance, we hear: CHRISTIAN ROCK SINGER (0.S.)

> (SING-RAPS) I WAS ROCKIN' ALL NIGHT WITH MY FRIEND J.C. / RAPPIN' 'BOUT SCRIPTURE AND CELIBACY / I SAID, "I'M LOOKIN' FOR KICKS, SHOULD I GO TAKE A PILL?" / HE SAID "PLAYA YOU'RE BUGGIN', GOD'S THE ULTIMATE THRILL."

Flanders turns the radio off and he and the kids relax.

#### TODD

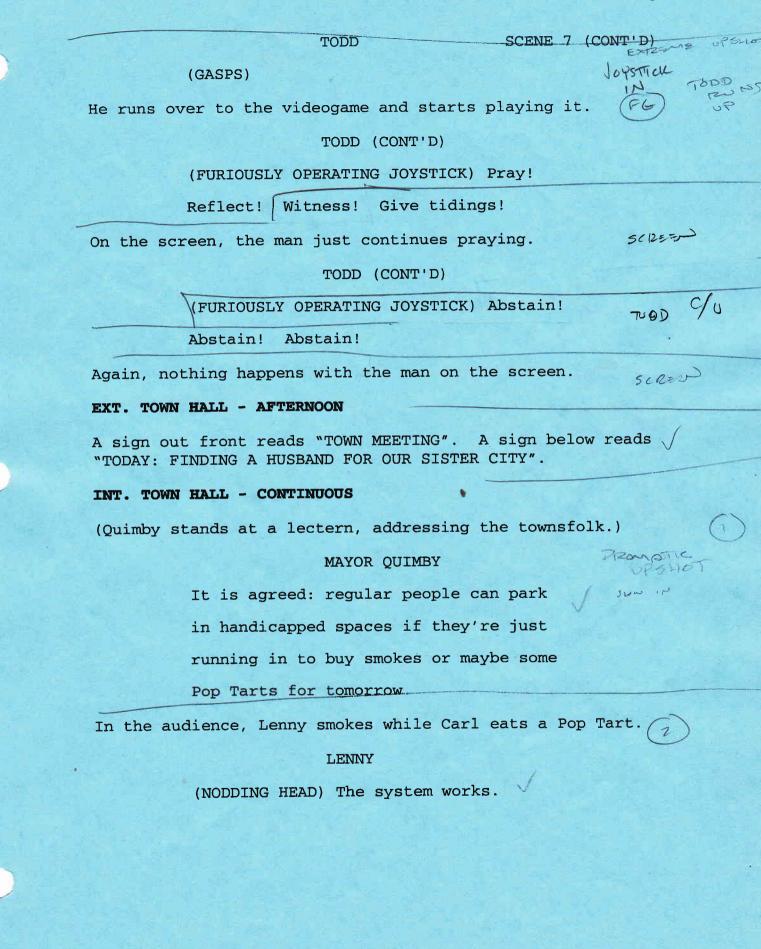
I heard there's a kind of rock that isn't Christian.

FLANDERS

You keep talking like that and I'm gonna take away your Pray Station.

He points to a videogame with joystick. On TV is a man in a suit, praying.

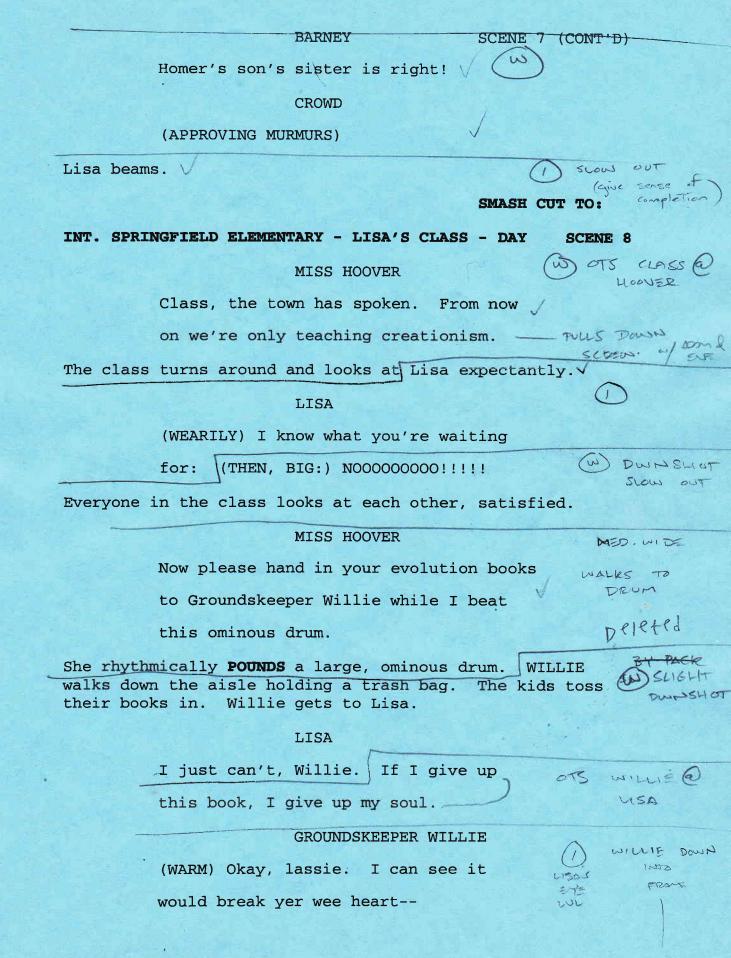
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MAYOR QUIMBY SCENE 7 (CONT'D) 180 OTS (RAISING GAVEL) And if there is no further business, I hereby declare this  $\checkmark$ LISA UP meeting--LISA WHY DOES I have an issue I'd like to raise! J SHE wait LAST MINUT= MAYOR OUIMBY (TO SELF) Curse my slow New England drawwwwwwl. (Lisa gets on her chair and addresses the crowd.) 46 W DWINSHOT LISA Last week, the unscientific theory of creationism was introduced alongside evolution in Springfield public SUTTER SSE MUE schools. Moe walks in the back of the room and sits down. MOE Hey, the men's crapper is broken, nobody use it. So what are we talkin' about? (REACTS TO NEIGHBOR'S WHISPER) Public schools? See ya. He walks out. UPSHOT LISA Evolution and Creationism cannot co-exist, people. It's time to go back V as TIGHTIR to teaching one single truth!

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The Monkey Suit

SCENE 8 (CONT'D) He quickly snatches the book out of Lisa's hand. GROUNDSKEEPER WILLIE (CONT'D) MOR 5/A DWNSHOT I tricked a second-grader! This is a great day for Scotland! He happily walks out of the room playing BAGPIPES. ANGLE ON LISA fuming. EXTRANE INT. SCHOOL - HALLWAY - LATER UPSLIOT MARTIN and DATABASE walk down the hall. DATABASE (2)There seems to be a note on your locker. He points to a note on Martin's locker.  $\checkmark$ MARTIN From a secret admirer perhaps. DATABASE Don't make me laugh. Ah, ha-ha! MARTIN UPSLIDT NOTE IN (READING NOTE) "Dear Seekers of Truth: Meet in the school's single-purpose room tomorrow at lunch. Rationally yours, L.M.S." DATABASE

Lisa Marie Simpson, I broke the code!

DUNISHIT

CORRECT

a CROWD

LISA

Lisa stands in front of a group of nerds and NELSON. The dry erase board behind he reads "VIVA LA EVOLUCION".

INT. SCHOOL - MEETING ROOM - THE NEXT DAY

LISA SCENE 8 (CONT'D)
I'm so glad you could all come. I will
be reading to you from "The Origin of V PAN W/USA Species" by Charles Darwin
Species" by Charles Darwin.
NELSON
(DISGUSTED NOISE) I thought we were
gonna light spiders on fire!
Dolph, holding a lighter, opens a door from another $$ conference room.
DOLPH
We're over here.
Nelson starts to exit. He turns to the nerds. $$
NELSON
You all have a nice day.
Lisa opens her book.
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SCENE 8 (CONT'D) CHIEF WIGGUM (CONT'D)
(IMPRESSED) This stuff is one hundred
per cent pure. Goes right to the
brain.
LISA BODIE & LOW GRUS
There are so many worse crimes Why
are you persecuting <u>me</u> ?
CHIEF WIGGUM
We only have the manpower to enforce
the last law passed.
Out the window we see Jailbird <b>FIRING</b> away with a big gun $\geq \sqrt{1 + 1}$ like Al Pacino in "Scarface."
JAILBIRD
You live! You die! You live! You V O REF.
die!
CHIEF WIGGUM OUTSIDE LOOK
(SIGHS) In the old days we would abeen V
all over that.
FADE OUT:

## END OF ACT TWO $\checkmark$

ACT THREE V

FADE IN:

SCENE 9

# INT. POLICE DEPARTMENT - NIGHT

Lisa is having her mug shot taken. The camera **FLASHES** and she turns sideways. It **FLASHES** again as Marge and Homer enter (Homer holds Maggie).

MARGE

(HORRIFIED) My little girl has a mug

shot!

#### HOMER

She was the last holdout in the family.

Homer opens his wallet to see mug shots of all the other Simpsons, including Maggie.

HOMER (CONT'D)

(BABY TALK, TO MAGGIE) Who shot Mr.

Burns? Maggie shot Mr. Burns!

# CHIEF WIGGUM

I wouldn't take this so lightly, Mr. Simpson -- if that <u>is</u> your real name and formal title. If your daughter's convicted she'll spend six months in Bible camp.

# MARGE

Can we see the brochure?

Wiggum hands Marge a brochure.

CHIEF WIGGUM

(GRIMLY) It doesn't have pictures.

# HOMER

SCENE 9 (CONT'D)

We don't care. Lisa can do that time

standing on her head.

# CHIEF WIGGUM

They encourage the parents to visit.

#### HOMER

(SCREAMS)

INT. COURTHOUSE - DAY

KENT BROCKMAN is giving a report. √

# KENT BROCKMAN

This is Kent Brockman, reporting live from the trial of God versus the littlest atheist, Lisa Simpson.

# LISA

(PASSING BY) I'm not an atheist, I'm a Buddhist!

## KENT BROCKMAN

Whatever you are, it's scary. Defending Miss Simpson is ACLU appointed liberal, Clarisse Drummond.

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

(LINDSAY NAEGLE) I'm from New York!

## COURTROOM

(BOOS)

## KENT BROCKMAN

And prosecuting the case <u>against</u> Lisa is humble country lawyer Wallace Brady.

That's Find

SCENE 9 (CONT'D) He indicates a loveable SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN.

# WALLACE BRADY

As the little chicken said to his mama

"I just hope I don't 'cluck up.'"

# PASSERSBY

(TOUCHED) Awww...

CLOSE-UP BROCKMAN V

# KENT BROCKMAN

I think it's fair to say if that man doesn't win, I am resigning from the jury.

WIDEN to see Kent sitting in the jury box with eleven other , Springfield regulars.

> KENT BROCKMAN (CONT'D) This is Kent Brockman, juror number seven saying (HOLDS UP SQUARE ENVELOPE LABELED "JUROR NOTICE") "why didn't I throw this away like everyone else?"

INT. COURTROOM - DAY

(The courtroom is packed. JUDGE SNYDER is presiding. Lisa sits with her lawyer, while Brady gives his opening.)

# WALLACE BRADY

The defense claims to have <u>science</u> on their side. I don't know about y'all, but science has never done anything for me.

A cell phone RINGS (playing "Dixie"). Brady pulls it out.

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SCENE 9 (CONT'D) WALLACE BRADY (CONT'D)

(INTO PHONE) Hello?... I'm busy now... e-mail it to my Blackberry... (IMPATIENT) Just drag the icon into the folder!

He hangs up and turns to the court.

WALLACE BRADY (CONT'D)

My most felicitous apoligations.

He makes a hangdog face.

COURTROOM

(TOUCHED) Awww...

LISA

(ANGRY) Stop doing that!

EXT. COURTROOM - DAY - ESTABLISHING

SCENE 10

INT. COURTROOM - DAY

Lisa's lawyer is questioning PROF. FRINK.

# PROF. FRINK

...And so, evolutionarily speaking, our bodies are just soulless flesh bags protecting our DNA.

Everyone in the courtroom looks disgusted.

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

But our DNA has a soul, right?

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PROF. FRINK SCENE 10 (CONT'D)

It has something better than a soul, nucleic acid. With the cytosine and the thymine and the (FRINK NOISE)

EXT. COURTROOM - DAY - ESTABLISHING

INT. COURTROOM - CONTINUOUS V

Brady is questioning a SCIENTIST-type. V

WALLACE BRADY

NowSIC, You are a scientist, correct?

SCIENTIST-TYPE

Oh/ That's right. I have a Ph. D in Truthology from Christian Tech.

ANGLE ON JURY  $\checkmark$ 

#### JURORS

(IMPRESSED) Oooh!

# LENNY

Move over, Carl -- I've got a new hero! 🗸

# CARL

(ROLLS EYES) This'll last about a day.

(BACK TO SCENE) V

# WALLACE BRADY

So as a scientist, what is your take on this ("evil-ution"?)

Devil-Ution

# SCIENTIST-TYPE

Pure hogwash. If man evolved from monkeys, there'd be evidence.

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WALLACE BRADY

SCENE 10 (CONT'D)

And is there evidence of this

"devil-ution"?

## SCIENTIST-TYPE

I'm afraid when we look at the fossil

record, here's what we see.

He holds up a thorough chart showing man's ancestors, including Homo habilis, Homo erectus, and Cro-Magnon. A chain of arrows connects apes to man, except for one large area where there's a question mark.

SCIENTIST-TYPE (CONT'D)

# A missing link. $\checkmark$

He holds up a picture of a grotesque half-man half-ape creature. The crowd **GASPS**.

# WALLACE BRADY

A missing link, huh? I wonder what would happen if I was trying a murder and my key piece of evidence was <u>missing</u>. (MOCKING) I'm sorry, Your Honor... I don't have motive, weapon or body. But you believe me, don'tcha?

## COURTROOM

# (HEARTY LAUGHS)

# ANGLE ON JURY

Carl is writing on his pad "LISA -- GUILTY OF MURDER?"

#### ANGLE ON JUDGE SNYDER

SCENE 10 (CONT'D)

# JUDGE SNYDER

Well I'm ready to end this trial right now. (TO LISA) Unless you come up with that missing link by ten a.m. tomorrow, you've got nothing.

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

Your honor, I object!

JUDGE SNYDER

Nine a.m.!

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

That's even worse!

JUDGE SNYDER

Nine fifteen!

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

I withdraw the objection.

JUDGE SNYDER

Twelve noon.

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

This trial is the biggest load of

(NOTICES SOMETHING O.S.) Oh, for cryin'

out loud.

# ANGLE ON WALLACE BRADY

For some reason he is now bottle-feeding a BABY DEER in his  $\sqrt{}$  arms. He addresses the deer.

WALLACE BRADY SCENE 10 (CONT'D)

Now, Bambi. Who started that forest

fire that killed your mama? (LISTENS)

Evolution? (SHAKES HEAD) Tsk, tsk,

tsk.

INT. SIMPSON HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - DAY V SCENE 11

The Simpsons walk in from court. Lisa is depressed.  $\lor$ 

LISA

I'm sorry, Mom. I should have just

gone with the flow like you said.

Lisa drops her copy of "THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES" in the trash and heads upstairs. Marge watches her sympathetically, then picks the book out of the trashcan when she's gone.

# MARGE

Well, I might as well see what all the

fuss is about.

She fishes out Darwin's book and starts to read it.

MONTAGE V

- 1.) Marge is folding clothes while reading the book.  $\checkmark$
- 2.) Marge sits operating the riding mower, reading as she mows.
- 3.) In bed, Homer is making out with Marge while Marge reads the book.

## HOMER

(MAKE-OUT NOISES)

#### MARGE

Homer, please. (TURNS PAGE)

#### HOMER

SCENE 11 (CONT'D)

I love it when you're not into it.

(MAKE-OUT NOISES)

4.) In the living room as the sun starts to rise, Marge reads the last page and closes the book.

#### MARGE

Wow, Darwin's argument is incredibly persuasive. And his ship was the Beagle, which reminds me of Snoopy... my favorite Peanut!

Marge looks at a framed photo of her and a walk-around Snoopy, signed "HAPPINESS IS MET LIFE CASUALTY INSURANCE".

# INT. LISA'S ROOM - MORNING

Lisa glumly lies in her bed. Marge enters, looks around to make sure no one's listening, then:

#### MARGE

Lisa, I think I have a way to help you

at the trial today.

BART

#### So do I!

He gestures and Milhouse enters the room dressed like Lisa. (Milhouse is back to his normal size again.)

BART (CONT'D)

Milhouse will serve the time for you while you flee to Mexico. Your new

name: Señorita Ugly.

He holds up a crude fake passport he has made with Lisa's picture and the words "SEÑORITA UGLY" with "OCCUPATION: BOOGER PICKER".

#### MARGE

SCENE 11 (CONT'D)

SCENE 12

Bart, I appreciate the thought, but

just leave everything to me.

## BART

You can take off the wig, Milhouse.

Milhouse takes off the wig and his Milhouse face revealing Nelson beneath.

NELSON 25 Milhouse

I'm Nelson!

# MUSIC: MISSION IMPOSSIBLE THEME

The screen fills up with black jigsaw puzzle-shaped pieces till it is completely black.

# EXT. COURTROOM - DAY - ESTABLISHING

# INT. COURTROOM - CONTINUOUS

(The courtroom is packed.) Lisa's lawyer looks down at Derefed Marge, who nods, then says:

# CLARISSE DRUMMOND

The defense would like to call ... Ned

Flanders.

#### APU

A surprise witness?

# SIDESHOW MEL

I am agog! Bemused! Gobsmacked!

(RECONSIDERING) No, just agog. Agog, I

say!

# INT. COURTROOM - LATER

(Flanders is on the stand. Lisa's lawyer questions him.)

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SCENE 12 (CONT'D)

CLARISSE DRUMMOND

Now, Mr. Flanders, you're familiar with the Bible, correct?

#### FLANDERS

As familiar as it's proper to be.  $\checkmark$ 

ANGLE ON HOMER, MARGE AND LISA

# MARGE

(SOTTO) Don't worry Lisa, I've got the answer to your problems right here.

Marge pulls out a photo of herself in a Playboy Bunny outfit holding a platter of hamburgers.  $\chi$ 

MARGE (CONT'D)

Oops, that's a gift for your father's

birthday.

She puts the photo back in her purse and pulls out a beer.

MARGE (CONT'D)

Look, Homie, I brought you a beer.

## HOMER

Thanks, Marge. (TRIES TO OPEN IT, THEN

UPSET) It's not a twist-off!

Homer tries to open the bottle, but has difficulty.

HOMER (CONT'D)

(AD LIB ANGRY GRUNTS, SNARLS)

ANGLE ON FLANDERS

### CLARISSA DRUMMOND

And you are positive that man and ape cannot be related?

FLANDERS

SCENE 12 (CONT'D)

(VERY CERTAIN) As sure as I am that my late wife lives on a magical cloud.

# INTERCUT HOMER

Still having trouble opening the beer.  $\checkmark$ 

# HOMER

C'mon! Open! I want what's in you!

(APE-LIKE GRUNTS AND SQUEALS)

AS 2 M dtter

FLANDERS

HOMER

(APE NOISES)

FLANDERS

Homer, I'm tryin' to ...

HOMER

(LOUDER APE NOISES)

# FLANDERS

(VERY AGGRAVATED) Will you shut your

yap, ya big monkey-faced gorilla !!!

# COURTROOM

(GASPS)

# ANGLE ON LISA'S LAWYER

She holds up the drawing of the missing link we saw earlier. When held up next to Homer we see they're posed almost identically (though its face does not look like Homer's).

SCENE 12 (CONT'D)

# CLARISSA DRUMMOND

Mr. Flanders, you've sworn to tell the truth. Can you say that this man could not possibly be related to that ape?

## FLANDERS

(SIGHS, CAN'T BELIEVE IT) Well, I guess I can't diddily my way out of this one. You win, Lisa.  $\checkmark$ 

Judge Snyder looks at the (analog) clock. It clicks from , one minute to noon, to noon.

#### JUDGE SNYDER

Just in time. This court hereby rules that the law forbidding the teaching of

evolution is repealed.

He tries to bang his gavel, but it is missing. We see Homer is holding the gavel. He uses it to **SMASH** open the V beer.

#### HOMER

Oh wait, it was a twist-off.

ANGLE ON LISA

She hugs Marge.

#### LISA

Thanks, Mom.

# MARGE

Thank you, honey, for opening my eyes.  $\vee$ 

She holds up "THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES".  $\checkmark$ 

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MARGE (CONT'D) SCENE 12 (CONT'D)

I can't wait to see what evolution will make next: maybe a bird with a people face, or a bear with pants on!

Flanders starts to walk by with Rod and Todd behind.

# FLANDERS

(SADLY) Let's go, boys. Your poor old Popsicle's been licked.

# LISA

Mr. Flanders, wait!

Flanders turns.  $\checkmark$ 

# LISA (CONT'D)

1 Wantyouknow, I respect your beliefs and I can see

how deeply you feel about them. I just don't think religion should be taught in our schools, any more than you'd want scientists teaching at the church.

# FLANDERS

Well, <u>I</u> wish this world would evolve a few more kids like you, Lisa.

He puts his arms around his boys.  $\checkmark$ 

FLANDERS (CONT'D)

What say we take our worthy adversary out for a hot fudge fun-day?

# TODD

(NELSON VOICE) Cram it, ya God wad.  $\checkmark$ 

# FLANDERS

SCENE 12 (CONT'D)

You --- ?

"Todd" pulls off his head revealing Nelson beneath.  $\checkmark$ 

# MUSIC: MISSION IMPOSSIBLE THEME $\checkmark$

The screen fills with black jigsaw puzzle pieces till it is  $\surd$  completely black again.

THE END

