

Alex's guilt

Scene 1: The day mum leaves

Alex's mum is going away on business to Tokyo & she has to leave Alex 11 and her daughter Janice 17 alone for 3 days at home. She is concerned about leaving them for so long so she sits them down for a chat.

Mum

Alex and Janice I need to have a good chat with you before I leave.

They're taking a while

Mum

Guys, you need to get here right now, I'm leaving shortly

Janice and Alex make their way over reluctantly

Mum

Right. I'm very concerned about leaving you both. I wish I didn't have to go but I can't get out of it.

Alex

We'll be fine.

Mum

I wish I could believe you, however I know what you're like.

Janice

Mum I'm 17. I can keep an eye on Alex and I can certainly look after myself.

The mum has a wide eyes look which suggests she "yeah right"

Mum

What about Fluffy?

Janice

Well Fluffy's Alex's responsibility

Alex

Mum don't worry. Fluffy will be fine. After all hasn't died yet.

Mum

That's because it's me who checks in on him. Can you promise me that you will look after him.

Alex

It's only 3 days that you're away and I will feed him mum. I promise.

Mum

If you manage to actually lift your head up from Minecraft. And don't forget. Maximum 3 hours a day on Minecraft and no more. Janice I need you to check and make sure that he doesn't over do it.

The mum looks at her watch and says.

Mum

Damn I have to go.

She heads for the door and she turns back.

Mum

Guys. Please don't let me down.

Both Alex and Janice roll their eyes to the heavens.

Scene 2: The day after mum leaves

Alex's sat playing Minecraft surrounded by a mess around him. He has a bottle of coke and lot's of junk food around. He's on the phone to a friend.

Alex

Oh my gosh, I've found diamonds.

Liz

Cool where, please share.

Alex

Oh you're a poet and you didn't even know it.

Liz

Drop the poetry I need to know where the diamonds are.

She replies with humour

Alex

Alright spoil sport

Janice walks in

Janice

Alex

Alex

Go away I'm busy

Janice

As you have been for hours now but this Alexe I won't go until you talk to me

This Alexe he rolls his eyes at his sister

Alex

Sorry Liz my sister is being a pain.
Right oh mighty sister. What do you want?

Janice

Alex. It's meant to be only 3 hours a day that you're playing Minecraft...

Alex

It's been half an hour

Janice

You are off your head. I don't think you've even been to sleep. You've been on it for hours and hours.
What about Fluffy have you fed him?

Alex

Keep your hair on I'll feed him now.

He get's up holding a bar of chocolate. He goes up to Fluffy's cage. Rests the chocolate on top and goes to get the hamster food but his phone goes off. It's Steve, his friend.

Steve

Alex. Fancy a game

Alex

Yes but just a minute as I have to..

The chocolate falls into the cage

Steve

I haven't got long so can we start now

Alex

Sure

We focus in on Alex's phone which shows how long the phone call has gone on for. We show many different screen captures while we hear their voices talking about the game.

Scene 3: The day after the day after mum leaves

We find Alex on Minecraft looking like she hasn't slept and there is far more of a build up of junk food around her. She's on the phone to his friend Sam

Alex

Sorry, Sam I'm going to have to stop.

Sam

What's the matter

Alex

I've started getting these awful stomach cramps

Sam

Oh no.

Alex

Gotta go, gotta go

He put's the phone down

Alex

Janice. Janice. I need help.

We see him keel over and fall to the ground. Janice eventually comes running in.

Janice

Alex. What's happened?

Alex

I've been getting stomach cramps. It comes in waves. It's actually a little better at the moment.

Janice

That's good but is it any surprise Alex. You're eating loads of junk food, drinking loads of coke. You don't take your eye off that game. You haven't washed or

changed your clothes and I'm sorry to say but you smell.
You can't even look after yourself let alone fluffy.

At that point he looks over at Fluffy's cage and at that point
Janice realises that Fluffy hasn't been fed. They both rush over to
the cage and look through. They see a dead Fluffy who's been eating
chocolate.

Alex
He's dead. I'm such an idiot.

Janice
You know what? You're right. All I hope is that you
learn from this.

Alex
Here they come again.

Alex keels over again in pain

Scene 4: 6 months later

Alex's mum walks into his room

Mum
How's Cheddar

Alex
He's fine. Just fed him 10 minutes ago.

Mum
You know I can't believe you're the same person from a
few months ago.

Alex
Well I couldn't stay an idiot forever

Mum
Well we're not out of the woods just yet

Alex
What? What do you mean?

Mum
I'm joking. You know. I couldn't be more proud of you.

Alex
Well I'm actually writing the story about how bad I was.
I'm going to make a short film.

Janice walks in and talks sarcastically

Janice
So you think you're Steven Spielberg Now?

Alex
Would you prefer I go back to Minecraft and fast food?

Janice
You have a point, though it pains me to say so.

Alex
Well you helped me change my ways oh great sister.

Janice
Sadly I can't say you smell anymore.
But I still don't think this movie of yours will come to
anything.

We see a number of newspaper articles of Alex and his film inspiring many young people, we see Alex's head on guest on good morning Britain etc.

Then we see the grave of fluffy with the words, Fluffy did not die in vain

Cast

Principles

Alex	Nalah	<i>Helpful, mindful, thinks he's handsome & extremely modest.</i>
Mum	--	<i>Junk food loving, lazy young lady who is being bullied. Shy. Best friends with Lucas.</i>
Janice	Weronica	<i>Bully. Cousin of Alliana</i>
Liz	Erika	<i>friend</i>
Steve	Reuben	<i>friends with the bullies until she discovers their dark side</i>
Sam	Max	<i>Bully.</i>

Crew

Eleanor		<i>Sound</i>
Alice		<i>Director</i>
Jane	Camera	
Samuel	Director	

Then there are many class students with speaking parts