

Nerdy Nate

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Fade in

INT. NATHANS ROOM - DAY

Autistic NATHAN, male, 30s, is in his room talking to his computer screen.

Nathan's room is simple. A bunk bed, a bookshelf, and a computer desk. The book shelf is filled with books because Nathan loves reading.

Nathan is wearing a light blue shirt over a grey long sleeve. His hair is textured, his facial hair is busy, and he fixes his glasses while staring at himself on camera.

HE is having trouble pronouncing words because of his apraxia speech problem. (There is a permanent "r" slur to his speech)

Nathan smiles in excitement and starts a live stream, waiting for people to join

As soon as one person joins, Nathan waves happily

NATHAN

Hi! My name is Nathan .. and I'm good at video games.. and please keep watch my video and I have all the facts that are not in Wikipedia .. and I love to study reading and ** ..

(Louder)

No... I dont even have autism anymore ... that was yesterday

Nathan is shocked by a loud noise off screen

(looks away from computer)

Could you cut that down?

At a distance we can hear JAMAR, late 20s, Nathans younger brother yelling back in response

NATHAN (cont'd)
(Responds to computer
taunts)

I'm not scared of the vacuum I just
don't Highly recommend it! Ughrrr..
Why is she laughing at me?

CUT TO: TRASH
BINS

Credits

EXT. FRONT DRIVE WAY - DAY

Nathan walks out to pull trash bins in front of the house.
Nathan waves at squirrels, birds, and neighbors.

CUT TO: BOWL OF
CEREAL

INT. DINING AREA - DAY

Nathan is eating cereal and watching cartoons.

On the dining table, there is a box of fruit loops, orange
juice, and an extra cup he sat out for Jamar.

Nathan separated all of the red fruit loops from the cereal,
and eats them dry, before pouring milk into the bowl.

He slurps on the cereal and laughs at the cartoons brilliant
storytelling.

Jamar walks in tired from work. He is wearing a referee
shirt.

JAMAR
Nate you pulled that trash in like I
told you?

SMASH CUT TO:
NATHANS ANGRY
FACE

WHEN NATHAN GOT TO THE TRASH BINS (EARLIER), INSTEAD OF PULLING THEM IN, HE KICKS THEM BOTH DOWN AND RUNS INTO THE HOUSE.

INT. DINING ROOM - DAY

NATHAN

Yea! So Jamar...On my Facebook actually 51 people share my video!

Jamar is getting dressed while listening, but he is teasing Nathan sarcastically

JAMAR

(smiles sarcastically)
U make any money off them shares?

NATHAN

No but I can possibly be Youtube famous because people think I'm funny... and cute

JAMAR

(cuts Nathan off)
I read your comments... they don't think you funny... Maybe funny lookin' ..they're really just laughing at you. Nathan.. Just .. don't take social media so serious.

Jamar pours some orange juice

NATHAN

(cuts Jamar off)
Jamar...Jamar...But its going to make me very rich one day... and there are plenty of opportunities...

JAMAR

(Cuts Nathan off)

Yea.. we need money around here.. I gotta pay rent.. mom isn't bringing much in...I leave one job.. go to another... I gotta take care of you.. mom... myself. It ain't easy big bro

NATHAN

(cuts Jamar off)

Jamarrrr...I can take care of myself.. I just need cereal..Tv... Guinness book of world rec-

JAMAR

No you cant! How you gone get groceries? That's \$100 I spend on you. Wifi \$50... light bill was \$160 ... I gotta go Uber because I'm short \$200 on rent

Nathan does a running start motion with his hands, and runs to his room.

JAMAR (cont'd)

Nate!!

Jamar shakes his head and calms before he goes to run after Nathan.

CUT TO: NATHANS
CHESS BOARD

INT. NATHANS ROOM/OUTSIDE INSIDE DOOR - DAY

Nathan slams door and starts pacing

NATHAN

(Brainstorming)

HE has no idea.. the lucrative opportunity of having followers.. he doesn't have any followers..or any pretty girls on his page, except Sarah

Jamar knocks

JAMAR

Dude... Sorry. .. Look... I didn't mean to hurt your feelings...

NATHAN

Go away! You need \$200 BUCKS remember?!

JAMAR

Ok... Ok... See you later. Make sure mom don't give Sarah a hard time.. I really have to put in these extra hrs big bro.. Love you..

Jamar walks to moms room... doesn't knock... Just waits... and leaves

Nathan screams "I HOPE YOU MOVE OUT"

CUT TO: CHESS
BOARD

INT. NATHANS ROOM - DAY

Nathan is pissed. He moves a pawn forward.

NATHAN

NATHAN (cont'd)
\$200? Two hundred... How am I gonna
get \$200?! I can rob a bank?

Nathan grabs his water gun from his bed

You!
Gimmy all your monies!
And hand over that ATM Mrs. Teller!
And you...
Come with me if you wanna live!

Nathan throws the water gun back on the bed

I cant rob a bank..

Nathan paces more back and forward

There's a kick ball tournament
tomorrow. UFC fighters also make a
lot of money... But thats not highly
recommended on the stock market ...

Nathan and gets an idea while looking at the computer.

I've got it!

Nathan runs to the computer and starts typing..

I'm live... hello everyone..

Doorbell rings. Nate is too focused to realize it

Someone joins his live stream

So you guys know I have a speech
problem .. from a premature birth..
BUT! I highly recommend you stay
tuneeedd because I am launching my
very own Youtube channel! I need
money...for life expenses.

(MORE)

NATHAN (cont'd)
 No its not a channel for comedy.. Its
 not funny Brian! Thank you .. It will
 be for...

(thinks and
 acknowledges
 doorbell)

One moment
 (happily)
 Sarah's here

Doorbell rings again.

Nathan runs to door

CUT TO: FRONT
 DOOR

SARAH, female, mid 20s comes in to take care of mother.. they
 have a brief talk but he needs to rush back.

INT. FRONT DOOR/LIVING ROOM - DAY

Nathan talks in a rush

NATHAN

Yes mom is sleep but also Sarah
 thanks for always helping mom

SARAH

(uninterested)
 Just... Doing my job.

NATHAN

Gotta go!

Nathan does a running hand motion before he runs back to
 room.

Sarah walks into the kitchen before going to Mom's room

INT. NATHANS ROOM - DAY

Nathan reads comments suggesting hes making a channel for him and Sarah

What are you guys talking about? Yes that's Sarah... No...I mean..

Nathan lies to his audience

she is my girlfriend .. And that's the news! Yes we will start our Youtube channel so subscribe to see true love. I will delete this video and make a status... our Youtube channel name will be Nathan and Sarah..

Nathan grabs mouse to click out

highly recommended.

Nathan ends stream and closes laptop

NATHAN MOVES QUICKLY TO SET UP HIDDEN CAMERAS FOR HIM AND SARAH.

Nathan brainstorms and calls Sarah's name

NATHAN

Sarah!

Nathan stares at Sarah's scrubs she wears when taking care of his mom.

SARAH

Yes Nathan?

There is a brief silence. The angle that Sarah is in is not in a good place to be recorded, so Nathan suggests that she scoot over.

NATHAN
(Hand motion)
Could you? Thank you

NATHAN (cont'd)

(attitude)

Sarah.. How come is it when you come over ... you dress that way?

SARAH
(confused)
Ummm. Do you have a problem with how I dress?

NATHAN

Yes..same clothes. Every time. Are you dirty?

Sarah is offended because it is her work clothes, but doesn't want to cross the line or lose her job

SARAH

Well this is professional.. And I am...Taking care of

Nathan cuts her off before she says "your mom"

NATHAN

Shh... Don't say that.. please dress better next time. Geez.

Sarah tries to interject

Na na no.. Don't talk.. If you still want to be here. With me...Or this goes on any further... You wont be here anymore..capeesh?

Nathan points to door, signaling Sarah to leave.

She hesitates, turning around, and Nathan grabs his camera. Sarah comes back in

Nathan is on computer importing footage, he doesn't even care to notice her come back in

SARAH
(For clarity)
How should I dress? If your mother has a problem I...

NATHAN
(Waves her off)
Yea...Just...Wear what you want

Sarah is confused, raises her eyebrows and leaves.

Nathan types and hears Sarah close the front door.

NATHAN CREATES YOUTUBE CHANNEL

As he types, he does not know details about Sarah so he makes most of it up. Their bio description reads:

Nathan and Sarah's love is highly recommended. We met after I hired Sarah because I knew she was the right woman for me and my mom. Our channel will be filled with love, and we will try our best not to be toxic. It was love at first sight. Please ladies don't try to get with me. I believe in loyalty.

Nathan ponders a profile picture

He goes to his closet, all of his clothes are light tones of blue, and he begins laying clothes on his bed to take pictures.

He walks back to his computer and adds more information to their description:

I am 31 and Sarah is 22. We want to go to college to be successful marriage counselors because we understand the importance of being at peace.

Nathan proof reads and runs out of the room.

CUT TO: HALLWAY

INT. OUTSIDE MOMS ROOM - DAY

NATHAN

Mommmmm are you sleeping..

MOM

Nathan...?

NATHAN

Yes... How old is Sarah

MOM

Huh

NATHAN

You never understand

NATHAN (cont'd)
(Slowly)

How ..Old.. Is.. Sarah

MOM

22..33.. one of em... why?

NATHAN
Thank you

Nathan runs to his room, starts typing, smiles

INT. NATHANS ROOM - DAY

NATHAN
(Proud)
A 1000 subscribers already

Nathan logs off.

Nathan grabs a huge book from his bookshelf and starts reading.

Scene

CUT TO: JAMAR
DRIVING

INT./EXT. JAMARS TRUCK - EVENING

Jamar is driving his truck, an Uber pick up for an old white woman, Mary, 70s. When he arrives, she takes longer than needed to sit in the back seat.

JAMAR
You need help with that?

MARY
Oh Nooo dear. You don't have to do
that anymore

Mary moves extremely slow

JAMAR
You sure? I...

MARY
No. I've got it.

Jamar waits patiently. Mary finally sits down
Jamar waits for her to strap her seat belt in.

MARY
Are you gonna drive or what?

JAMAR
Ok lets see where we are going...
Okkkk.... only 2 minutes away.

Jamar starts driving

MARY
Yes it would've taken me forever if I
walked. So I decided... to call an
Uber.

JAMAR
Ok well.. that was quick.
Thanks you need any help getting out?

MARY
You people are all the same you know

JAMAR
You people?

MARY
Yes.

(MORE)

MARY (cont'd)

(Mocks)

You need some help? I'll carry
this... that.. You're not a slave you
know

JAMAR

Ma'am what the... What do you mean
you people?

MARY

You Ubers.

Jamar scoffs.

JAMAR

(Smiles)

Have a good day

Mary exits the truck. Jamar drives away.

Scene

INT. DINING - NEXT DAY

Jamar is getting ready for his Postman job

JAMAR'S FACE IS UNEASY

Jamar looks at the breakfast and how Nathan is dressed.

Nathan has on a light blue sweater, with a dark blue collar
shirt tucked underneath

NATHAN

(guilty)

What? I always dress like this.

(Smiles)

And I'm changing my profile picture

Nathan points to his clothing and shakes his head "yea" and
smiles as if Jamar is also impressed.

Jamar shakes his head "no" and hears urgent knocks on the
door.

The doorbell rings and there are a lot of knocks.

CUT TO: FRONT
DOOR

Jamar goes to the door, talks to Sarah, she is pissed.
Pointing at her phone.

SARAH
did you see what Nathan put of me on
Facebook?! Tell him to delete this!

Nathan is still dining preparing for his personal photo
shoot.

SARAH (cont'd)
Talk to him. Now!

JAMAR
(trying to calm Sarah)
Don't worry. I'll talk to him.
Sorry..

CUT TO: NATHAN
LOOKS CONCERNED

INT. DINING ROOM - DAY

NATHAN
Who was knocking so hard? Was CIA?

JAMAR
(Irritable)
No its Sarah... Nathan... Why'd you
do that?

Nathan feels insulted. There is a slight growl to his voice.

NATHAN
You like her don't you?!

JAMAR
(Irritated)

Noooooo!

NATHAN

Yes you do. You look at her like
this... never speak to her. And now
you say this. You're just hating
because I have 210.7k followers on
Instagram...

JAMAR
(fed up)
No one cares about followers. You
don't have any money. All them
followers .. no money... 210 thousand
... u aint even got 210 dollas

Nathan stands up and points to Jamar

NATHAN

You Jamar are my largest hater..
Gonna make a wikipedia page of you.
And it wont be highly recommended!

Nathan does a running head start signal with his hands
Runs to room and slams door.

You can faintly hear mom scream "What the hell goin on?"

CUT TO: JAMAR
FOLLOWS

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

Jamar comes to console. Nathan doesn't answer.

Nathan sits on his bed and pouts.

Jamar runs back to the front door for Sarah

INT. FRONT DOOR - DAY

Jamar goes to door for Sarah. They whisper about talking to Nathan. (Why didn't you let me tell him)

Sarah walks to Nathans door

INT. OUTSIDE NATHANS ROOM DOOR - DAY

SARAH

Nathan... hey its me

NATHAN

Go away... All you wanted to do is date my brother and ruin my life

SARAH

Nathan! That's not true... What you did was wrong and dishonest... And.. If a man was interested in a woman, he should not do wrong or dishonest things Nathan..

NATHAN

Well I needed \$200 Sarah... what else do you expect me to do? Get a job?

SARAH

What?

NATHAN

Don't make fun of my voice!

SARAH

I'm not. I always understand you
(exhales)

Nathan gets "awe shucks" happy

JAMAR

Nate let us in man

NATHAN

You go away. I'm up to 40,000
subscribers, I had a hundred thousand
re-tweets, and you go and tell her
that I'm the bad guy?

SARAH

(interested, studders
the F in 4)
40,000 whu-?!? Forty-thousand...
subscribers?

Nathan cracks the door holding a water gun.

NATHAN

NATHAN (cont'd)
Yes. Youtube couple influencing is a
very lucrative career. Highly
recommended Jamar!

SARAH
(showing further
interest)
Highly reco...hmmm...And how much
could you...

Sarah opens door wider.

Could WE make? Hypothetically?

NATHAN

Well. You tube couples pull in 100s
of thousands in a lifetime

SARAH

WeLLLLLLLLLLLLL

Sarah opens door, works herself into Nathan's room

JAMAR

Awe hell na... for real? You serious?

SARAH
(Curious)

Have you told anyone this isn't true
yet?

NATHAN

NATHAN (cont'd)
No...The wifi is down..He missed 2
payments

Sarah grabs Nathan's hands

JAMAR

First of all.. I paid the..You know
what.. bye! BYE!

Jamar goes to eat some of the food Nathan prepared

SARAH

Well ... We can keep this going..

Nathan is nodding his head while being wooed by Sarah

SARAH (cont'd)
(Convincing)
You know Nathan.. Love is a beautiful
thang. Why not share it with 40,000
people...or more?

Jamar comes back, eating cereal. Sarah is in Nathan's lap,
or has her leg on his leg.

The two are taking pictures on Nathan's webcam.

Nathan starts small talk to get to know Sarah

NATHAN
So yea I was almost 8 because I was
born 11:59 february 28

SARAH
Ok so you a Pisces?

NATHAN
No... I'm American

SARAH
Lets take some pictures.

As they get into selfie poses, Jamar walks in shaking his head.

JAMAR

This some bulllllsh...You oughtta be ashamed... And you... I don't even expect no shit like. this... You supposed to be taking care of my MAMA man! Can I ask you a question...Why ? Just why?

SARAH

Oh... Clout.

NATHAN

I told you... Clout is highly recommended.

Nathan walks to the door, and shuts it in Jamar's face.

Jamar stares at the camera and shakes his head

Fade out