



a play by Arnaud Cramoisan



Vocabulary

Lexicon

The explanations below are based on the vocabulary found in the presentation of characters, the scene by scene outline and in the dialogues of the play itself.

Characters

1. Commando

The founding member > the person who created an organization/association

The nickname > informal name chosen for someone according to their (first) name or personality

Daredevil > a person who is not afraid of doing dangerous things and who actually enjoys taking risks.

Go-getter person > someone who is energetic and determined to be successful

To go commando > to wear no underwear

2. Square

To be a bit of a square (*slang, informal*) > a conventional, old-fashioned person who is not enthusiastic about new exciting ideas.

3. SPUD

The basement > the inferior part of a house where we usually order things we don't use regularly.

A spud > (*informal*) a potato

At all costs > no matter the dangers or difficulties encountered.

4. Very Very Special Agent

The target > the goal, the objective, (here) the person someone is following

To matter > to have importance

Summary

The lockdown > period during which people are not allowed to enter or leave a specific place, for sanitary reasons for example.

To beat the boredom > to find something interesting or entertaining so as not to be bored anymore.

To be in the lookout for > to search for something or someone

Introduction

The haven > a safe and peaceful place

The starch > a white substance that exists in large amounts in potatoes and particular grains such as rice.

Scene by scene

Scene 1

Stop interrupting me, dude > (informal) man

To carry on > to continue, to go on

All set > ready !

You are in trouble > you (are going to) have problems

You are grounded > you have to stay home as a punishment

Scene 2

There is a weird noise in my house > strange, unusual

Someone is in my house rummaging about > to rummage = to search for something in a disorderly way, not caring about the objects we move, ...

Incognito > as not to be recognized

Scene 4

The breakthrough > the important discovery

We're going to go viral > we will become popular very quickly as our videos, posts, ... will be shared massively on internet.

Scene 5

To overtake someone > to do something before someone else has the possibility to do it

How come? > how is that possible? How did this happen?

Scene 6

The turmoil > confusion, disorder, chaos

There was a bright light > intense

She's sober, right? > she hasn't drunk too much alcohol, has she?

There goes our peace and quiet > the period of calm we enjoyed is over

I bet it's those Americans again > (here) I'm sure that ...

They are going to eat our brains > organ inside the head that controls thoughts, memory, feelings and activities

She's not right in the head, that one! > she's a bit crazy, insane

The police are taking the tourist's **statement** > declaration, explanations about something which happened

A very generous **reward** will be given > a sum of money offered in exchange of a service, information, ...

Scene 7

A piece of cake > (*idiom*) something which is very easy to do

We won't **rat you out** to the police > we won't denounce you, inform the police about your existence

You can count on us > you can rely on us, you can trust us

It's not time to start **messing about** > to spend time doing things which are not really useful / to behave in a silly way

He's telling us about his **spaceship** > vehicle used for space travels

Scene 8

Ready for **ignition** in 55 seconds > fact of turning the engine on

Scene 11

The roof > the covering that forms the top of a building, a house, ...

You are done > you are going to be caught, the pursuit is over

Scene 12

Teeny > (*informal*) very small

Tiny > extremely small

You can keep it as a **souvenir** > object you buy in order to remember the place you've been to or to offer to someone else when you come back from a trip abroad.

The memory > the ability to remember information, experiences and people

The memories > the people, events, places ... you remember.

The engine > machine needed to make a vehicle move

To take off > to leave the ground and fly to the sky

The kilojoules > measures of energy

Scene 13

We made it! > we succeeded!

Prologue

That was just a **fantasy made up** by the wrinklies > an imaginary story invented by the old people.

Just an internet **fuzz** > a distorted story on the net

It was destroyed by nasty little **rascals** > mean, evil or unprincipled people

No **mischief** this time! > misbehaviour, inappropriate comportment