

BURNING BRIDGES

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## Cast of Characters

FRANK THE TROLL:

Age Unknown. Frank has on a tattered shirt and shorts.

TOMMY:

Early 20s. Tommy is a normal looking young adult, wearing adventuring clothes, and a backpack.

LARRY THE UNICORN:

Age unknown. Larry looks like a unicorn.

EMILY :

Age unknown. Looks like Frank, but dressed in flowing garb.

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*FRANK THE TROLL sits under his bridge. There is a lush forest, where the bridge sits as the only way across.*

FRANK THE TROLL

I often wonder what I could do to leave this place, but I find the world so drab. Well...I mean the world is probably drab. I've only known this place my entire life, but why should I complain? I have all I need here. Food, entertainment, a home. A great job. Well, it's kind of a great job. I get to scare everything away from this bridge all day. I wonder what those things are really like, though. Maybe one of them would be into some card playing. I don't know how to play cards, but maybe they would teach me? What the hell am I even talking about. I am talking to no one right now. I'd have to be *pretty* crazy to talk to myself. What can a troll even do in the world? What would happen if I ran into a human? The book says they are the most vile creatures on the planet. I'm a troll and I'm supposed to be scared of em'. Why? What have they ever done to me? I aint never seen one on my bridge, or in this forest. Well, the bridge is my forest. I am bound to it. "Leave the bridge, and suffer a fate worst than death." Yeah, right. What could be worse than sittin' under a bridge for eternity? I almost want to run into the forest to find out. Maybe I'm ripped to shreds by evil magic? Maybe this book is full of shit. Maybe I can try a hot dog for the first time in my life. I've heard of them. They say they grind up all the best parts of animals into these "hot dogs". Sounds delicious to me. (sighs). Another day, another boring day. Ah crap, someone's coming. Let me get into character. GET OFF MY BRIDGE! No, that's too much. Get off my bridge, NOW! Yeah, that's the one.

*TOMMY enters.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Get off MY BRIDGE!

TOMMY

Whoa, that was really scary. Hey.

FRANK THE TROLL

Get OFF- Wait, did you just "hey" me?

TOMMY

Yeah, hey.

FRANK THE TROLL

HEY? No.....GET AWAY FROM MY BRIDGE!

TOMMY

That one was even more scary.

FRANK THE TROLL

You're not afraid of me?

TOMMY

Should I be?

FRANK THE TROLL

Well, yeah. Usually trolls scare off, umm...whatever you are.

TOMMY

I'm a Tommy, and you?

FRANK THE TROLL

What's a Tommy?

TOMMY

A 23 year old human.

*Frank backs off in horror.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Whoa man! You're a human?!

TOMMY

Yeah, what's wrong with that?

FRANK THE TROLL

You're not supposed to be here!

TOMMY

Where?

FRANK THE TROLL

Here, in the Forbidden Forest!

TOMMY

And why is that?

FRANK THE TROLL

You've been outlawed! Since the war between the magic folk and humans!

TOMMY

When was that?

FRANK THE TROLL

How should I know?? My only job is to guard my bridge!

TOMMY

Hmm, that's odd. There's nothing about that in my book.

FRANK THE TROLL

What book?

TOMMY

This book.

FRANK THE TROLL

What book is that?

TOMMY

*Humans Guide to the Forbidden Forest.*

FRANK THE TROLL

You have a book about the Forbidden Forest?

TOMMY

Yeah. You don't?

FRANK THE TROLL

Uh, why would I? I live here.

TOMMY

You seem to be pretty uneducated about your own dwelling.

FRANK THE TROLL

You know what kid, you don't know as much as you think you do.

TOMMY

So, tell me?

FRANK THE TROLL

Tell you what?

TOMMY

About this forest. What am I missing?

FRANK THE TROLL

For starters, you should get out.

TOMMY

Why?

FRANK THE TROLL

Because you savages destroyed a lot of the magic folk  
in your war.

TOMMY

I didn't.

FRANK THE TROLL

Your ancestors did.

TOMMY

That's terrible.

*LARRY THE UNICORN enters from stage right,  
hissing at Tommy, as he passes to stage left.*

TOMMY

Whoa! Was that a unicorn?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yes.

TOMMY

Cool. Why did it hiss at me?

FRANK THE TROLL

You'd be upset too, if your kind was almost  
completely wiped out.

TOMMY

We did that?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yeah, YOU.

TOMMY

I've never even seen a unicorn!

FRANK THE TROLL

Yeah, but you're ance-

TOMMY

My ancestors. I know, I know.

TOMMY (CONT.)

Look, I am quite busy. Can I pass?

FRANK THE TROLL

You most certainly cannot.

TOMMY

Why not?

FRANK THE TROLL

I just told you! We could get into a lot of trouble just speaking to one another. Larry already saw you!

TOMMY

What's he going to do?

FRANK THE TROLL

He could easily impale you with his horn.

TOMMY

I thought that horn just shot out glitter?

FRANK THE TROLL

Glitter? What the hell have you been reading?

TOMMY

This.

*Tommy lifts his book.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Seriously, why do you have that?

TOMMY

It was passed down to me.

FRANK THE TROLL

Passed down? Like, in a line?

TOMMY

No, like a family heirloom?

FRANK THE TROLL

Isn't that a tomato?

TOMMY

What? No. Hold on, you don't know what a human is, but you know what an Heirloom tomato is?

FRANK THE TROLL

Trolls are a very complicated species.

TOMMY

(in a hushed voice)  
Complicatedly stupid...

FRANK THE TROLL

What was that?

TOMMY

Nothing. Step aside Grundle. I have to go.

FRANK THE TROLL

Grundle? Who the hell is that?

TOMMY

You?

FRANK THE TROLL

Me?

TOMMY

Yes, you.

FRANK THE TROLL

The name is Frank.

TOMMY

(laughing) You're name is Frank?!

FRANK THE TROLL

Yes. Why is that funny?

TOMMY

It's such a normal name.

FRANK THE TROLL

So is yours?

TOMMY

But I'm not a troll.

FRANK THE TROLL

And that means you can't have a normal name?

TOMMY

No. Anyway Frank, it's been real, but I have to go.

FRANK THE TROLL

Well you can't.

TOMMY

I really don't have time for this.



FRANK THE TROLL

You late for something?

TOMMY

I have a lot of walking to do.

FRANK THE TROLL

Where exactly do you think you're going?

TOMMY

According to my research, I must pass the first bridge, and onward East.

FRANK THE TROLL

Onward East, to what?

TOMMY

The magic seer stone.

FRANK THE TROLL

The what now?

TOMMY

Magic seer stone. You really don't know this forest do you?

FRANK THE TROLL

Pretty much been here, but I have seen my fair share of the forest.

TOMMY

Then you must have seen this stone.

FRANK THE TROLL

Maybe I have.

TOMMY

Sounds like you haven't.

FRANK THE TROLL

Shut up!

TOMMY

No need to get testy.

FRANK THE TROLL

I can't let you pass.

TOMMY

Don't trolls allow passage with a toll?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yeah. Give me information on this stone, that I totally already know about, and I'll let you pass.

TOMMY

I'm sure.

FRANK THE TROLL

Start talking.

TOMMY

The magic seer stone is said to allow one to summon another being to that location.

FRANK THE TROLL

You can summon anyone?

TOMMY

That's the rumor.

FRANK THE TROLL

Hmm, and you think you can just go waltzing through the forest to this stone?

TOMMY

That's the idea.

FRANK THE TROLL

Look kid, the forest is dangerous, and you'll need a guide.

TOMMY

A guide?

FRANK THE TROLL

A guide!

TOMMY

Like who?

FRANK THE TROLL

Like me.

TOMMY

Just like that?

FRANK THE TROLL

Just like that.

TOMMY

Why the sudden change of heart?

FRANK THE TROLL

Well, you were right. I haven't seen much of this forest in a long time. We can help one another out.

TOMMY

How's that?

FRANK THE TROLL

I act as your guide through the forest, and you help me get away from this bridge.

TOMMY

Why would you need help with that?

FRANK THE TROLL

Because.....its never been done.

TOMMY

A troll leaving a bridge?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yup.

TOMMY

What will happen?

FRANK THE TROLL

Your guess is as good as mine.

TOMMY

What if you explode?

FRANK THE TROLL

Then you explode with me. Deal?

TOMMY

Being that I need to get to this stone, I guess I'll take that risk.

FRANK THE TROLL

Ok, let's go to the other side.

*FRANK and TOMMY walk across the bridge. FRANK stops a couple feet from the bridge.*

TOMMY

Are you coming?

FRANK THE TROLL

I'm scared.

TOMMY

You've got be kidding.

FRANK THE TROLL

What?

TOMMY

You see, this is why I wasn't scared of you. The book says you're mostly docile creatures.

FRANK THE TROLL

I might explode!

TOMMY

That was a joke, Frank.

FRANK THE TROLL

Well now I can't stop thinking about it.

TOMMY

Just c'mon!

FRANK THE TROLL

Ok. Ok. Maybe I just run for it?

TOMMY

(sigh) Yeah, that might work.

FRANK THE TROLL

Here we go! You ready?

TOMMY

Ready...

*FRANK runs off stage while yelling.*

FRANK THE TROLL (O.S.)

BANZAI!

TOMMY

Wow.

*FRANK comes running back to the bridge.*

FRANK THE TROLL

I forgot to leave a note.

*FRANK pulls out a piece of parchment from his traveling bag that has been under the bridge. He licks the paper and sticks it on the bridge.*

TOMMY  
That's disgusting!

FRANK THE TROLL  
What?

TOMMY  
Nothing, let's go.

*FRANK and TOMMY exit stage left.*

*LARRY THE UNICORN enters stage right.*

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Frank! Frank! We have to talk about this human.  
Frank?

*LARRY THE UNICORN approaches the bridge and  
picks up the piece of paper on the bridge and  
reads it.*

LARRY THE UNICORN  
"Gone adventuring, be back soon." Frank, no! The  
spell of binding!

*LARRY THE UNICORN runs after FRANK and TOMMY.*

*Blackout.*

## Scene 2

*FRANK and TOMMY approach an opening in the  
forest. There is lush greenery around, but not a  
soul in sight. They sit on some rocks, taking a  
rest from their journey.*

TOMMY  
We've been walking for days.

FRANK THE TROLL  
Yeah, this sun is really unforgiving.

TOMMY  
Yeah, speaking of that, you look a little flushed.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I'm fine.

TOMMY  
You sure you're ok?

FRANK THE TROLL  
I'm great.

TOMMY  
You look grey.

FRANK THE TROLL  
Isn't that my normal color?

TOMMY  
I guess? You just look a little odd.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I'll be fine. Let's just rest here a bit.

TOMMY  
Fine by me.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I had no idea this forest was so big.

TOMMY  
I knew you hadn't been this way.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I said I passed by this way. I never said that I  
frolicked here for days on end.

TOMMY  
Fair enough.

FRANK THE TROLL  
You want to let me in on why you need this stone?

TOMMY  
That's personal.

FRANK THE TROLL  
Fine. Don't say why.

TOMMY  
I'm not.

FRANK THE TROLL  
You know, you're one uppity human.

TOMMY  
I'm the only human you've ever met.

FRANK THE TROLL  
And you're uppity. Point proven.

TOMMY

You're odd.

FRANK THE TROLL

I'm odd? You're the one who goes walking through a dense and dangerous forest, alone.

TOMMY

I have my reasons.

FRANK THE TROLL

Which you won't tell me.

TOMMY

Right.

FRANK THE TROLL

Fine.

TOMMY

Fine.

FRANK THE TROLL

I gotta tell you kid, this has been one hell of a trip.

TOMMY

It's only been a few days.

FRANK THE TROLL

Are you kidding me? I have been sitting at that bridge for an eternity!

TOMMY

How long is an eternity?

FRANK THE TROLL

Like....at least 10 years.

TOMMY

That's a decade.

FRANK THE TROLL

You're a decade!

TOMMY

What does that even mean?

FRANK THE TROLL

I don't know.

TOMMY

So that's why you decided to guide me?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yeah, that's it.

TOMMY

You sure?

FRANK THE TROLL

Pretty much.

TOMMY

I have the feeling you're not telling me the whole  
tru-

*LARRY THE UNICORN comes running in from stage  
right.*

LARRY THE UNICORN

THERE YOU ARE!

TOMMY

What?

LARRY THE UNICORN

Shut up, meatbag!

TOMMY

Meatbag?

FRANK THE TROLL

Take it easy, Larry. What's up?

LARRY THE UNICORN

What's up?! You left your bridge!

FRANK THE TROLL

And?

LARRY THE UNICORN

Frank, you can't just leave your post! There are  
rules!

TOMMY

Why? What happens if he does?

LARRY THE UNICORN

(hisses) I'll deal with YOU in a minute!



TOMMY

Geeze. Sor-ry.

LARRY THE UNICORN

What?!

*FRANK restrains LARRY.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Larry, take it easy.

LARRY THE UNICORN

No, this kid is trying to kill you!

FRANK THE TROLL

Kill me? Are you kidding me? Look at him.

TOMMY

What about me?

FRANK THE TROLL

You do realize I could kill him with one punch?

LARRY THE UNICORN

That's not what I'm talking about!

TOMMY

You wouldn't kill me.

FRANK THE TROLL

Tommy, please.

LARRY THE UNICORN

The spell of binding!

FRANK THE TROLL

The what now?

LARRY THE UNICORN

You have been charged with guarding your bridge, and if you should abandon said post without proper allowance, you will start to wither.

FRANK THE TROLL

That explains my exhaustion.

TOMMY

And why you're grey.

LARRY THE UNICORN

Shut up, kid!

FRANK THE TROLL

Look, Larry, I'm not going back.

LARRY THE UNICORN

You have to.

FRANK THE TROLL

I can't.

LARRY THE UNICORN

Because?

FRANK THE TROLL

The magic seer stone.

LARRY THE UNICORN

That's why?!

FRANK THE TROLL

(to Larry) I have to see her.

LARRY THE UNICORN

Frank, buddy, you can't be serious. You're risking your life over a myth of the forest?!

FRANK THE TROLL

What if it's true?

LARRY THE UNICORN

What if it's not?

FRANK THE TROLL

I have to find out.

LARRY THE UNICORN

What about the kid?

FRANK THE TROLL

I am going to have him lead me there, then I'll just knock him out.

LARRY THE UNICORN

Frank, this is madness.

FRANK THE TROLL

Love is madness.

TOMMY

Hey fellas, want to let me in on what's going on?

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Shut up!

FRANK THE TROLL  
Shut up!

TOMMY  
Ok then.

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Frank, I can't let you do this.

FRANK THE TROLL  
You aren't. You never saw me.

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Frank, please.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I won't go back.

LARRY THE UNICORN  
I won't stop you, but I will make damn sure this kid  
helps you every step of the way.

FRANK THE TROLL  
Deal.

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Kid, get over here.

TOMMY  
What?

LARRY THE UNICORN  
You will guide Frank to this stone, right?

TOMMY  
I thought he was guiding me?

LARRY THE UNICORN  
Just pay attention!

TOMMY  
Alright, no need to yell.

*LARRY hands TOMMY a pouch.*

LARRY THE UNICORN  
This will stave off the withering for a couple extra  
days. You give this powder to Frank, when he looks  
his worst.

TOMMY

I really don't want this responsibility.

LARRY THE UNICORN

Well that's too damn bad. You got Frank mixed up in your crazy plan.

TOMMY

Fine.

LARRY THE UNICORN

If he dies, I will come for you.

LARRY THE UNICORN (CONT.)

Frank, I gotta go.

FRANK THE TROLL

Be seeing you, Larry.

*LARRY exits stage left.*

TOMMY

Geeze, unicorns are mean.

LARRY THE UNICORN (O.S.)

I heard that!

FRANK THE TROLL

He's a really sweet guy, most of the time.

TOMMY

Oh, I'm sure.

FRANK THE TROLL

Shall we continue?

TOMMY

Yeah, time is of the essence.

FRANK THE TROLL

Right, that.

*Blackout.*

### Scene 3

*TOMMY and FRANK walk together from stage right. It is a densely wooded area of the forest. FRANK is more visibly disheveled as he places his arm on a tree to catch his breath.*

TOMMY

Frank. We should turn back.

FRANK THE TROLL

The hell we are.

TOMMY

You don't look well.

FRANK THE TROLL

I feel great. What are you talking about?

*One of FRANK's mouth horns falls off. TOMMY looks on in shock.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Well, I can just glue that back on.

TOMMY

This isn't worth it. You're falling apart! Why are you even doing any of this?

FRANK THE TROLL

Honor.

TOMMY

Honor?

FRANK THE TROLL

You might not know about honor in the human world, but to us trolls, honor is the most important aspect of our lives.

TOMMY

I don't understand.

FRANK THE TROLL

You think I just just up and decided to be a bridge troll?

TOMMY

I'm not sure how any magic aspect works anymore.

FRANK THE TROLL

Just listen.

TOMMY

Go ahead.

FRANK THE TROLL

I used to be in one of the most prestigious troll

clans. I was cast out by my own kind.

TOMMY

What did you do?

FRANK THE TROLL

I fell in love.

TOMMY

Love is bad in your clan?

FRANK THE TROLL

No, but the woman I loved was bad.

TOMMY

What did she do?

FRANK THE TROLL

She wasn't bad. My rival, Peter, was also in love with her.

TOMMY

(laughs) Peter?!

FRANK THE TROLL

You want me to hit you?

TOMMY

What is her name?

FRANK THE TROLL

Emily.

*FRANK darts a look at TOMMY, waiting for him to laugh about her name, but TOMMY waves it off.*

TOMMY

Go on.

FRANK THE TROLL

Peter was of a higher ranking in our clan, so naturally, he was the one who should have been given Emily.

TOMMY

That sounds pretty barbaric.

FRANK THE TROLL

Hello? Trolls.

TOMMY

Well you did say trolls were complicated.

FRANK THE TROLL

Although Peter wanted Emily to be his wife, she was in love with me. She denied his marriage proposal, so he took his anger out on me.

TOMMY

He was the one who bound you to the bridge?

FRANK THE TROLL

He had our clan leader dole out the punishment. Although it was entirely made up, Peter claimed I had betrayed our clan, so they banished me to bridge duty.

TOMMY

That is messed up.

FRANK THE TROLL

I know. There was nothing I could do.

TOMMY

So you came out here with me, to get back at Peter?

FRANK THE TROLL

To restore my honor.

TOMMY

And helping me does that?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yes. In the troll code. If we are to help a complete stranger, we may appeal to our clan for reinstatement.

TOMMY

That is great, Frank. I am honored that you would go to this great length to help me.

FRANK THE TROLL

No problem. Man, after not traveling for years on end, this trek is really starting to wear on me.

TOMMY

Frank, we've become friends over this past week, yeah?

FRANK THE TROLL

Sure kid.

TOMMY

Since we are being honest, I have my own deeper motive for getting to the seer stone.

FRANK THE TROLL

Which is?

TOMMY

I need to see my father.

FRANK THE TROLL

He out of town?

TOMMY

Dead.

FRANK THE TROLL

Oh, sorry.

TOMMY

It's ok.

FRANK THE TROLL

What happened?

TOMMY

I went off to college, like most teenagers do, but me and my father sort of fell out of sorts.

FRANK THE TROLL

He the one who wrote that book?

TOMMY

Yes. He ventured into this forest many times.

FRANK THE TROLL

Wonder why I never saw him.

TOMMY

It could have been before your banishment.

FRANK THE TROLL

Ah. I see.

TOMMY

He was a great man. Explorer. I am nothing like him.

FRANK THE TROLL

Well, you're here, aren't you?



TOMMY

That's true. All he wanted was for me to go on adventures with him. Father and son.

FRANK THE TROLL

Why didn't you?

TOMMY

I became an annoyed child. Everything he did bothered me. Even when he called me to just check up on me. I yelled at him, Frank.

FRANK THE TROLL

About what?

TOMMY

For being an overbearing parent. I yelled at him and hung up. A month later, he was dead.

FRANK THE TROLL

That's a tough break.

TOMMY

I am doing this for honor, too.

FRANK THE TROLL

It would certainly appear that way.

TOMMY

I want to honor his memory, by continuing his research.

FRANK THE TROLL

Tommy, I need to tel-

TOMMY

We should get going. We're probably almost there.

### Scene 3

*TOMMY excitedly enters. He runs towards the middle of the forest clearing, which houses the seer stone. There is a solitary stone bench next to the seer stone He does not notice FRANK crawling behind him.*

TOMMY

Frank, look! We made it! Frank? After two weeks of long traveling, we did it! You can get your honor back! I can see my father!

FRANK THE TROLL  
We...made...it?

*TOMMY goes to lift FRANK up.*

TOMMY  
Oh god, Frank. Get up man! We made it!

*FRANK begins to struggle with his speech.*

FRANK THE TROLL  
I....don't...think...

TOMMY  
No! This is NOT happening!

FRANK THE TROLL  
Go....kid. Speak...to...your....father.

TOMMY  
No, I can lift you!

FRANK THE TROLL  
No, leave...me.

TOMMY  
I'm going to leave you on this bench, stay strong man! Stay with me!

*TOMMY goes to approach the seer stone.*

FRANK THE TROLL  
Tom...wait. Come...here.

TOMMY  
We don't have time for this!

FRANK THE TROLL  
No...please...listen.

TOMMY  
Frank, please.

FRANK THE TROLL  
I....lied.

TOMMY  
What?

FRANK THE TROLL  
I...was...going...to...take...your...spot.

TOMMY

What are you saying?

FRANK THE TROLL

Knock...you...out...see...Emily.

TOMMY

You did this all for her?

FRANK THE TROLL

Yes.

TOMMY

That doesn't matter now.

FRANK THE TROLL

Go...father...I'm....sorry.

TOMMY

Stay with me, Frank! The powder!

FRANK THE TROLL

The....what?

TOMMY

Frank, I need you take this!

FRANK THE TROLL

What...is...

TOMMY

Just do it!

*TOMMY pours the powder into FRANK's mouth.*

TOMMY

Stay with me buddy, I have to run to the stone.

FRANK THE TROLL

Disgusting...powder...

*FRANKS other face horn falls off.*

FRANK THE TROLL

Glue...that...too

*TOMMY runs to the seer stone, and begins to read a plaque at its base.*

TOMMY

"Whoever so approaches the seer stone must present a

personal item to see their vision, but only one may see their vision."

(TOMMY CONT.)

Only one? What do I do? I can't leave Frank like this. He trekked this entire way, just to speak to his one true love again. But what about dad? Ah, god! This is bullshit. What do I do? What do I do?!

*TOMMY runs back to FRANK*

TOMMY

Frank, wake up! Look, only one of us can summon a being, and it has to be you! Wake up, buddy! I choose you!

FRANK THE TROLL

Huh....but....what....about.....father.

TOMMY

That doesn't matter anymore! Quick, do you have anything of Emily's?!

FRANK THE TROLL

Lock.....hair....pocket.

TOMMY

Locket of hair in your pocket? Ok, buddy! I got you.

*TOMMY quickly rummages through the pocket of FRANK and pulls out a lock of hair. He runs back to the seer stone and presents it.*

TOMMY

C'mon, please work, please work!

*The seer stone emits a loud noise, as the sound of a portal emits out.*

*bzz bzz bzz bzz bzz*

*Out of the portal from stage right steps, EMILY.*

EMILY

Hello?

TOMMY

Emily!

EMILY

Whoa, who are you?

TOMMY

There isn't time to explain!

EMILY

Well you better, you're a human.

TOMMY

Crap, the war. Right! I am a good human!

EMILY

Are you sure?

TOMMY

I am, please, trust me!

EMILY

Why should I?

TOMMY

I brought Frank!

EMILY

Frank?

TOMMY

Yes, he's right over here!

EMILY

Oh my troll, Frank!

*EMILY and TOMMY rush to the stone bench.*

EMILY

(gasps) FRANK!

TOMMY

We're too late.

EMILY

What did you do to him?

TOMMY

I didn't do anything. I chose him. I'm sorry.

EMILY

Chose him for what? He's made of stone!

TOMMY

I wanted to reunite you both.

EMILY

The magic seer stone?

TOMMY

Yes.

EMILY

So, it is real.

TOMMY

Yes. It is, it was. Frank, I'm so sorry.

EMILY

You tried your hardest.

TOMMY

The powder....Frank....damn.

EMILY

Wait, what powder?

TOMMY

A unicorn gave me some powder to give to Frank when he was at his worst.

EMILY

Larry, the unwavering friend.

TOMMY

I don't understand.

EMILY

He gave you stasis powder.

TOMMY

What's that?

EMILY

Because Frank left his bridge, he began to slowly die. That powder he gave you, just put Frank into a deep state of stasis.

TOMMY

He's alive?!

EMILY

Yes, but in a very deep sleep.

TOMMY  
HE'S ALIVE!

EMILY  
Yes.

TOMMY  
How long is this sleep?

EMILY  
Many years.

TOMMY  
Will I ever get to see him again?

EMILY  
You will probably have passed on by the time he wakes up.

TOMMY  
I see.

EMILY  
Why did he do this?

TOMMY  
For you?

EMILY  
For me?

TOMMY  
He was still madly in love with you. He tried to sacrifice himself for my goal.

EMILY  
But you wouldn't let him?

TOMMY  
I couldn't. No matter how badly I wanted to see my father.

EMILY  
You are a brave human.

TOMMY  
I did what was right.

EMILY  
And so did Frank.

TOMMY

I'm sorry you couldn't see him again.

EMILY

I just did.

TOMMY

We did it buddy.

EMILY

I will tell the clan of Frank's sacrifice.

TOMMY

Will his honor be restored?

EMILY

To the highest degree.

TOMMY

Thank you.

EMILY

Goodbye brave human, goodbye my love.

*The sounds of the portal emit again as EMILY exists stage right.*

*bzz bzz bzz bzz bzz bzz*

*TOMMY approaches FRANK's stone statue. He pulls out an urn from his backpack and places it at the feet of FRANK.*

TOMMY

Take good care of my dad.

*The stage lights dim as a spotlight lingers on FRANK silent and still on the stone bench.*

*END.*



