

WALL STREET MOVIE

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CHYRON:

The classic green MPAA ratings PREVIEW screen with an "R" rating.

FADE TO:

CHYRON: A list of all the movies named by the announcer.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

This Christmas, from the makers of
The Wolf of Wall Street, The Big
Short, and Moneyball.

FADE TO:

INT. DINER - DAY

JOHN (Seth Meyers), late 20's, M, is washing tables at a diner. BANKER, 30's, M, is reading the news at the bar.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

Comes a movie about a man who
leaves his hometown to work on Wall
Street despite having no prior
experience in the field...

JOHN

Hey, you make good money right? Can
I come work for you in New York?

BANKER

Do you have any experience as a
stock broker?

JOHN

Uhh... No. I've only ever worked as
a waiter. But how hard could it be?

BANKER

Yeah... don't worry about it! How
about this, fly back to Manhattan
with me on my jet. You can just
learn on the job.

JOHN

Cool.

FADE TO:

CHYRON: WALL STREET MOVIE

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
Wall Street Movie.

INT. CONFERENCE ROOM - DAY

John and two colleagues are drinking rum in a conference room while reading the newspaper.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
Featuring men drinking aged rum at
ten thirty in the morning...

INT. RESTAURANT - DAY

John and the banker eating at a restaurant.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
Expensive power lunches where a
senior banker goes on an incoherent
cocaine-fueled monologue about
money and control.

BANKER
(fanatically)
Now listen very closely John. Money
is everything, okay? And that means
money is power, so as long as you
keep the train rolling, the... the
coal keeps moving towards its
destination. But who gives a shit
about coal miners, right John? This
is Wall Street, baby!

The banker slams his hand on the dining table then points at John.

BANKER (CONT'D)
Nothing is real except for money!
But money isn't actually real
either. Got it?

JOHN
Uhh... sure?

FADE TO:

INT. CORPORATE BOARDROOM - NIGHT

John and ten other BANKERS are sitting around the boardroom. John addresses the CEO, 60's, M, who is across the table from him.

ANNOUNCER (V.O)

And a suspenseful scene where a junior analyst coldly explains that the entire economy is going to crash to a CEO that is somehow totally oblivious to what his company does.

CEO

Why doesn't somebody tell me why this emergency board meeting was called?

JOHN

Well, Mr. Thaler, over the last 36 months the company has begun packaging MBS products which has been very profitable, as I am sure you've noticed.

CEO

We have? I mean, yes, of course. So what? What's the problem?

JOHN

Well, I've been running some models and discovered that if we don't get these assets off our books soon, our entire company could fail along with the global economy.

CEO

God dammit! Who signed off on this?

JOHN

You did... sir.

CEO

Oh.

INT. OFFICE - NIGHT

John is in the office late at night when another ANALYST, 20's, M, encounters him as he leaves for the night.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

Featuring a guy working late into the night pretending to do math on a chalkboard that's clearly meaningless for anyone who's taken a math class.

ANALYST

You're still here? You gotta relax, John! Why don't you come grab some drinks with us downtown?

JOHN

I can't, I'm trying to determine the economic impact of interest rate volatility on our leveraged debt securities.

ANALYST

Alright, have it your way. Wait, does that say... square equals triangle? What does that mean?

John starts to erase his work on the chalkboard.

JOHN

Look, why don't you just go back to doing blow or whatever it is you do, okay?!

CHYRON: The quote from the Los Angeles times.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

The Los Angeles Times says: Wall Street Movie shines more light on the dark side of America's financial institutions, which was already so well-lit that it damaged our retinas.

CUT TO:

CHYRON: Wall Street Movie.

ANNOUNCER (V.O.)

Wall Street Movie. Based on a true story that involved much less rum and many, many more soy lattes.

Blackout.