

EXACT MINDS
an episode of
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FADE IN:

ACT ONE

1 INT- A LOCAL GROCERY STORE - MORNING

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Peter walks in a grocery store and approaches the counter. An old man and a young boy are behind the counter.

OLD MAN
(friendly)
Peter, my friend, how are you?

PETER
I'm good. How's the business?

OLD MAN
Winter is slow everywhere. It'll pick up in a month or two.

PETER
How are you, Jimmy?

JIMMY
Good.

Peter takes out a small piece of paper from his pocket. It's a shopping list. He hands it to Jimmy. Jimmy looks at it.

PETER
Can you handle it?

JIMMY
Yeah.

Jimmy looks down at the list and notices the bottom part is cut off and he can't make out the last item on the list.

JIMMY
Is this on the list?

Jimmy shows Peter the paper. Peter sees the part ripped off and can only read the upper portion of some of the word that's missing.

PETER
Hum, let me think. What did she want?

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Peter concentrates and we see Clara back at the apartment fluffing up pillows. She stops and concentrates. Peter looks up.

PETER

Oh, yes. She wanted a carton of cigarettes.

OLD MAN

What brand? I don't read minds.

TRANSITION