

Honey

We will never know parks and recreation.

Pet

Then we'll just have to stream it on Netflix.

Honey

We will never know elections.

Pet

Then we'll just have to form our own country. Peace, order, and good government.

Honey

That's a great slogan.

Pet

It belongs to Canada.

-end-

We Will Never Know by Marian Calabro
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Honey
We will never know happiness!

Pet
Then we'll just have to learn to be happy without it.

Honey
You stole that from "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

Pet
I did. A-plus. Gold sticker for you.

Honey
Are you happy?

Pet
Happy as possible under the circumstances.

Honey
They say the virus gives you hallucinations. Chris Cuomo reported this morning that he had hallucinations last night.

Pet
Every day is a hallucination.

Honey
Can't hallucinations make us happy?

Pet
Not if they give us the munchies. We are out of chocolate.

Honey
The stores are out of chocolate.

Pet
Amazon is out of chocolate.

Honey
We will never know chocolate.

Pet
Then we'll just have to learn to be happy without it.

Honey
We will never know restaurants with waiters.

Pet
Then we'll just have to learn to be happy without them.

Answer the Door by Marian Calabro

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[DOORBELL RINGS.]

PERSON AT HOME [disheveled]

Leave it on the stoop.

DELIVERY PERSON [gloved, carrying a sack]

I want to talk to you.

PERSON AT HOME

Leave it. I already gave you a tip in the app. This food has to last me a week.

DELIVERY PERSON

I don't deliver food. I deliver hope.

PERSON AT HOME

Oh for shit's sake. Take your damn holy roller pamphlets and--

DELIVERY PERSON

Not religion. Not food. I have a storybook for you.

PERSON AT HOME

Ahh. A Bible. Okay. Leave it and go away.

DELIVERY PERSON

You're the main character. The book has your name in it.

PERSON AT HOME

Go. Away.

DELIVERY PERSON

Look through the mail slot. It's not a Bible. This book explains what you really, truly want.

PERSON AT HOME

I'm calling the cops.

DELIVERY PERSON

This book tells what will happen to you.

PERSON AT HOME

Is it in a bag? Is it clean?

DELIVERY PERSON

It will be, when you write it. [beat]

Promise? Your DoorDash guy is almost here. Eat your food. Then write your book. You have all the time in the world.

[DELIVERY PERSON places a pen on the ground and creeps away.

PERSON AT HOME opens the door, looks at pen. END.]