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NATALIE

Yeah. That's the guy. He said went to school with you.

Monk tenses.

MONK

(very worried)

Roderick Brody...

NATALIE

He said you were old friends.

Monk thinks. He's remembering...

2 INT. BOY'S ROOM - 40 YEARS AGO - FLASHBACK (B&W) (FB-1)

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A BLACK & WHITE FLASHBACK. It's 40 years ago. We're in Monk's GRAMMAR SCHOOL. In the BOY'S ROOM.

YOUNG ADRIAN MONK- age 10- is at a sink, washing his hands.  
YOUNG RODERICK BRODY- 11 or 12- swaggers in, with a SECOND BULLY.

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YOUNG RODERICK

Adrian. What's happening?

Monk gulps. This is trouble.

YOUNG MONK

Hello, Roderick.

YOUNG RODERICK

Washing your hands again, huh? What is this, the tenth time today?

YOUNG MONK

(weakly)

I don't know.

SECOND BULLY

What a freak.

YOUNG RODERICK

(His hands are clean, but his hair looks a little dirty. What do you think?)

Young Roderick indicates a WALL CLOCK.

YOUNG RODERICK (CONT'D)

Is that clock right? It's 2:25.

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YOUNG RODERICK (CONT'D)  
(grinning)  
It's Swirly Time.

MONK  
No! Not Swirly Time! Not again!  
(backing away,  
anxiously)  
Actually, that clock is two minutes  
fast...

YOUNG RODERICK  
(to SECOND BULLY)  
Watch the door.

Second Bully stands by the door. Roderick grabs Monk, and pulls him toward a BATHROOM STALL! Monk resists!

YOUNG MONK  
Roderick! Wait wait wait!

Roderick pauses.

YOUNG MONK (CONT'D)  
(pleading)  
How about this? I'll give you my  
bike for keeps and all my lunch money  
every day and I'll do your homework  
for the whole year!

YOUNG RODERICK  
Okay. It's a deal.  
(then)  
But first... Swirly Time!

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Roderick drags Young Monk into the stall.

3 INT. STALL - TOILET POV - FLASHBACK (B&W) (FB-2)

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In the stall. We're in the bowl - looking upward, through the water. Young Monk is terrified! His face is being forced into the water!

4 INT. MONK'S APARTMENT - KITCHEN -- PRESENT DAY

4

Our FLASHBACK ENDS. We're back in Monk's kitchen. Monk is still frozen, holding the roasting pan.

NATALIE  
What's that smell?

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