

DAN JR.

DAN DANIELS (40's) sits behind the wheel of his SUV as he drives his son DAN JR. (8) to school.

Start → DAN JR.
Hey look, it's you Dad!

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He points to a billboard for the local KPHX news team. Dan is in back smiling, and up front is Irene Sanchez, a good looking anchor woman in a red blazer.

DAN JR. (CONT'D)
Is that lady your boss?

DAN
No! Why do you ask?

DAN JR.
Because you're in back, and she's up front like, hey look at me, I'm the boss.

DAN
It was just a fun pose for the group. We're all one big team.

DAN JR.
But she made you stand in back?

DAN
She didn't *make* me. Trust me, weather man is the best job in the world. Fun, easy, and everyone loves you.

DAN JR.
I thought it's hard to predict the weather.

DAN
Well, I don't "predict" it as much as read it off the cue cards.

DAN JR.
I always thought you predict it.

DAN
No, I just read the cards.

DAN JR.
Then why do they even need you? If everyone has the weather on their phone can't they just-

"Dan the Weather Man" - Dan Jr.

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DAN
You know what, we've gone way off
topic. What were we talking about?

DAN JR.
Your boss lady.

DAN
Before that.

DAN JR.
Hunting and plowing.

DAN
We really need to work on our morning
small talk.

End

DAN JR.

Dan and Dan Jr. get out of a 1992 Suzuki Samurai.

Dan closes the door and Glenn drives off.

#2

Start →

DAN JR.

Where are we, dad?

DAN

We're going to see Uncle Jerry.

DAN JR.

Yay!

DAN

Just dial down the excitement. This is kind of serious.

Dan gets down on one knee and talks to Danny.

DAN (CONT'D)

Everything's going to be fine, but you should know, daddy lost his job today.

DAN JR.

Oh. Did they find out you can't really predict the weather?

DAN

No. Let's just say I made a bad joke.

DAN JR.

How bad?

DAN

I'll tell you some day when you're in your mid-thirties. ~~But hey, life is not about your mistakes, it's about how you pick yourself up.~~ No matter what you hear the next few days, or what kids say at school, I want you to be proud of your dad. And know that I'm a good person. Deal?

Poignant moment as they look into each others eyes.

DAN JR.

It's hard to say without knowing the specifics.

DAN

Fair enough.

End

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