## Lost in the Desert

Cast: Matt, Jon
Setting: Walking through the desert
Props: A map, a water bottle

- MATT: Check the map again.
- 2 JON: I'm telling you, we should have turned left at that big
- 3 rock.
- 4 MATT: We did turn left at the big rock.
- 5 JON: The first big rock, not the second big rock.
- 6 MATT: There are thousands of big rocks out here. There is
- 7 no first or second big rock. They are all big giant rocks
- 8 that have no numbers. Do you see numbers on any of
- 9 these rocks?
- 10 JON: I meant the big rock that had that jagged edge. You
- 11 know which one I meant. It was about a mile back.
- 12 MATT: Oh, sure, the jagged edge. Now I remember. It was
- next to the one with the other jagged edge. Next to the
- other big rock, the first one, not the second one. Now I
- see what you mean.
- 16 JON: Sarcasm isn't going to help us. Do you have any water
- 17 left?
- 18 MATT: No, I finished back at the big rock with the jagged
- 19 edge.
- 20 JON: You drank all of the water? Jeez.
- 21 MATT: Listen, it's at least one hundred twenty degrees out
- here, no shade, we've been walking in this desert for
- 23 hours because you thought a hike in the morning
- 24 would be invigorating. And now we are lost.
- 25 JON: Don't exaggerate. We've been walking for only about
- an hour. Look around you. Enjoy all of God's majesty in creation. You've got to wonder how all of this miracle
- creation. You've got to wonder how all of this miracle
- occurs. Look at these rocks, these mountains, the great
- open sky. How? How is this all possible?

- MATT: Well, buddy, we will be meeting up with God pretty darn soon if we don't find our way back to civilization. You can ask him yourself how he created the heavens and the earth.
- JON: Stop complaining, you big wuss.
- MATT: We're lost, buddy. Lost in the desert. We're miles from civilization. The temperature is only going to get hotter and we're out of water.
- JON: You are so negative. We're only about an hour's walk from camp.
- II MATT: In the heat of hell.
- I JON: A good sweat will do you good.
- MATT: We have no water.
- 11 JON: Look over there, to the right.
- MATT: What? What's there?
- 16 JON: For God's sake, man, look. It's a lake.
- MATT: Jon. There are no lakes in the desert.
- III JON: You've never heard of Lake Mojave?
- MATT: Yeah, in Nevada. We're in California, forty miles outside of Barstow.
- JON: Matt, look in the sky. Birds. Where there are birds, there is water.
- MATT: Those are buzzards, my friend. Where there are buzzards, there are the carcasses of the dead. And if you look closely, they are starting to circle us. They know dinner when they see it.
- JON: OK. Let's start walking. Buzzards won't go after a moving target. As long as we are moving, then we are not dead.
- MATT: Oh, we're dead, all right. The buzzards know.
  They're smart birds. They can smell death.
- JON: Just shut up and keep moving. (Shouting up to the birds) Back off, bird-boys. We're not dinner yet.
- MATT: Walk, Jon. Don't antagonize them. Just keep walking.