

WE WON LOTTO.. OR DID WE ?
(Based on a true story)

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FADE IN:

INT. FAMILY ROOM - EVENING

RICHARD (48) is sitting on the couch speaking with his wife TANYA (39).

TANYA

It's your birthday on Friday, are you looking forward to it?

RICHARD

Not really, it's just another year.

TANYA

I guess the following year will be the big one. The big five 0.

RICHARD

Getting old. (Pause) I don't believe how your brother Luis bought me a lotto ticket for my birthday.

TANYA

Why ?

RICHARD

I would never buy someone a Lotto ticket.

TANYA

That's you.

RICHARD

Imagine the one time you bought someone a lotto and they win millions, wouldn't you be pissed ?

TANYA

Not really.

RICHARD

(Shaking his head) All the years of buying Lotto and you had the winning ticket in your hand and gave it away.

TANYA

I guess so.

FADE TO BLACK:

FADE IN: (THE NEXT DAY)

INT. FAMILY ROOM - EVENING

Richard sits on the couch and watches the news while Tanya is across the room in the kitchen preparing dinner.

PHILIP (4) is sitting on the family room floor playing with LEGGO.

VICTOR (10) is sitting at the dining room table sketching on a piece of paper and singing.

PHILIP
Dad ! Can we watch cartoons ?

RICHARD
I want to get the lotto numbers first.

Philip goes back to his LEGGO.

Richard holds a pen and is slouched over the coffee table. A lotto ticket and scrap paper are on the table.

TV NEWS READER
We will be right back after the break, with the lotto draw.

Richard holds his stomach as feels a rumble and squints his face.

RICHARD
Tanya, get the lotto numbers, I have to go to the toilet.

Richard runs to the toilet.

TV
Welcome to tonight's Lotto draw.....

Everyone in the house is oblivious to the lotto draw and continue with their tasks.

Tanya prepares the dining table and Richard walks out of the toilet.

TANYA
Wash your hands and lets have dinner.

RICHARD
OK (Pause) I'll get the kids.

NICHOLAS (15) and JOSHUA (12) walk into the kitchen/Dining area.

NICHOLAS
What's for dinner ?

TANYA
Steak and sausages.

JOSHUA
Wait, I have to go to the toilet.

TANYA
Hurry up.

Joshua runs to the toilet and notices the lotto numbers on the coffee table with the lotto coupon next to it.

JOSHUA
I'm checking them after dinner.

He is ignored and then goes to the toilet.

Time has passed and the table is being cleared. Victor is still at the end of the table finishing his dinner.

VICTOR
Do I have to eat all this ?

TANYA
Yes that's your dinner. If you don't eat it your not having ice cream.

Victor frowns and continues to eat.

Joshua runs over to the coffee table and starts checking the lotto coupon.

Just at that moment the doorbell rings and KAYLA (31) walks into the kitchen.

KAYLA
Hi, your eating late.

TANYA
Yeah. Had a busy day.

KAYLA
I'll give you a hand.

JOSHUA
(Excited) We got 3 numbers.

Kayla walks over and sits next to Joshua and looks over his shoulder.

KAYLA
No you have 4.

JOSHUA
(Screaming with joy) 5....

KAYLA
My God.. Tanya..

Tanya looks over to see what all the commotion is.

TANYA
What.

KAYLA
(Stunned) Tanya.. You have all 6
numbers.

TANYA
Crap.

KAYLA
It's true, I checked them.

Tanya let's of a scream and everyone then quickly moves there
to see what is happening.

TANYA
I don't believe it. My heart is
racing.

KAYLA
You won. You won.

RICHARD
Your kidding.

TANYA
No it's true.

Nicholas and Joshua, excitedly check the coupon, while
Richard sits on the couch in a state of shock.

RICHARD
I can pay off the mortgage.

VICTOR
We can now go to Disneyland, Yeah..

TANYA
Where rich. Where rich.

Tanya is holding the younger boys hands and jumping in the
air screaming.

Kayla picks up the phone.

TANYA (CONT'D)
Who are you calling?

KAYLA
Mum and Dad.

TANYA
OK

KAYLA
Mum, guess what ?

TERRI (V.O.)
What.

KAYLA
Richard and Tanya won lotto.

TERRI (V.O.)
What are you talking about?

KAYLA
(More forceful) Richard and Tanya
won Lotto, It's true, I checked the
numbers.

TERRI (V.O.)
Don't tell anyone, keep it quiet.
We are on our way there. (Hangs up)

Tanya takes the phone from Kayla and begins to dial.

KAYLA
Who are you calling ?

TANYA
Luis, to let him know.... Hi Luis,
we won lotto with the ticket you
bought us.

LUIS (V.O.)
(Upset voice) Bullshit.

TANYA
It's true. It's true.

Kayla takes the phone from Tanya.

KAYLA
LUIS it's true I checked the
numbers, they got all 6.

LUIS (V.O.)
BullShit. BullShit. (Angry)

KAYLA

Come over... Mum and dad will be here soon.

LUIS (V.O.)

OK (hangs up)

Richard, Tanya, Kayla and Nicholas are sitting around the dining table while the other children are on the couch.

TV

For those of you who missed tonight's lotto draw, here are the numbers again.

JOSHUA

How come there's number 8? There wasn't number 8 before.

The others run over all confused.

RICHARD

What ?

STRATOS

Now there is number 8 ?

RICHARD

Are the numbers wrong ?

TANYA

I'll check the Lottery website for the numbers.

A moment later Tanya falls back on the couch.

KAYLA

What's wrong ?

TANYA

We didn't win. (Crying)

Everyone sits around the couch with long faces.

RICHARD

Who wrote the numbers?

TANYA

You did.

RICHARD

(Confused) No I didn't I went to the toilet.

TANYA

It's your writing.

RICHARD

Oh no, it's my doodling.

Richard looks down in disappointment.

Victor is checking the numbers from Tanya's mobile phone and looking at the coupon.

VICTOR

(Excitedly) We won. We won.

Everyone's heads pop up.

NICHOLAS

What ?

VICTOR

(Excitedly) Yes we got 3 and a supplementary, that probably \$15.

Just at that moment everyone look at each other and burst out laughing.

Luis and the parents burst into the room while popping open a bottle of champagne.

Everyone look at each other and the laughter gets louder.

THE END

FADE OUT: