

# Star Trek?

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## Scene One - Bridge of Enterprise (NCC-1701)

*Everyone, except Kirk, is at their usual position. The usual pings and beeps are coming from the terminals around the Bridge. A light flashes in front of Chekov.*

*Enter Kirk, from turbolift.*

CHEKOV

Sir! There's a small red light flashing!

KIRK

Oh, no! What could it mean?!?

SPOCK

It means the chicken's ready, Captain

*McCoy walks to microwave by Spock's science terminal and removes convincing chicken prop.*

MCCOY

It's dead, Jim.

*He hands chicken prop to Kirk.*

KIRK

This chicken is fowl!

*Throws chicken away.*

SPOCK

Captain! We're picking up a large green swirly thing on the long range sensors.

KIRK

Put it on screen. Looks like the same thing we encountered last week.

*Frown*

And the week before.

*Puzzled, expression*

ALIEN [OOV]

I am Zarkworbler, King of the Clumph. I seek Klingon space - I'm supposed to be picking up a parcel.

KIRK

Turn left at the next nebula then it's straight on for three days.

ALIEN [OOV]

Okay. Bye.

*Cloud disappears from viewscreen.*

UHURA

Captain, there's a message coming in from Starfleet command. We're to travel to a potentially hostile planet in the next system and have a look around.

KIRK

Mr. Chekov, set course for that planet.

## Scene Two - Surface of the potentially hostile planet

*Enter Kirk, Spock, McCoy and a Security Officer no-one's ever seen before. Spock uses his tricorder on some rocks.*

SPOCK

Fascinating - polystyrene core with a paint crust.

MCCOY

*Looking around* This place looks familiar.

KIRK

Of course it does - Our budget is small so our sets are few.

WOMAN [OOV]

*Screams*

*Enter Hostile alien, with a Woman under its arm.*

HOSTILE ALIEN

*Growls*

*Security Officer reaches for his phaser. Hostile Alien throws Woman to the ground and kills Security Officer. Kirk fights Hostile Alien. Kirk's shirt is ripped. Kirk knocked to ground. Spock renders Hostile Alien unconscious with his Vulcan Nerve Grip.*

*Kirk helps Woman to her feet. They kiss. McCoy looks at Security Officer.*

MCCOY

He's dead, Jim.

KIRK

Right! Lets go.

### **Scene Three - Bridge of Enterprise**

*The red alert sirens are blaring. Enter Kirk, Spock and McCoy.*

KIRK

What's going on?

SULU

Captain, Klingons on the starboard bow!

KIRK

Well, get them off!

UHURA

Captain, we're being hailed.

KIRK

I thought it was going to rain.

UHURA

No, Captain. We're being hailed by the Klingons.

KIRK

Who put them in charge of the weather?

UHURA

Captain, the Klingons want to talk to you.

KIRK

Oh. Right. Just testing. Put them on screen.

Morgue, a *Classic-series Klingon*, appears on the viewer.

SULU

You're not a Klingon - you haven't got the amusingly-shaped forehead.

MORGUE [OOV]

Of course not - this is the Classic Series. We don't get weird foreheads until the films.

KIRK

Why are you here?

MORGUE

We intercepted a distress call.

KIRK

Really?

MORGUE

No, we've just come along to make the episode more interesting. I have long wanted to face you in combat.

KIRK

That could be a problem - we'll be running in the opposite direction.

MORGUE

Alright then - I've always wanted to see your back in combat!

SULU

Sir! They're arming weapons.

KIRK

Raise shields, arm phasers.

*There's an explosion. Everyone pretends to fall around the set.*

SPOCK

Shields at 20%

KIRK

Fire phasers.

SULU

Direct hit! Their shields are failing.

*A science station, manned by an unknown Crewmember, explodes. The Crewmember flies across the set.*

SPOCK

Shields have failed. Hull damage on deck 4. We can't take much more of this!

KIRK

Scotty! We need more power!!!!

SCOTTY

I cannae give you no more power, Captain. The engines are failing! The pilot light's gone out! We're all gonna die!!!!

KIRK

Pull yourself together, man. [To Sulu] Fire at will!

*Will screams and runs off stage.*

SPOCK

I think you should stop saying that, Captain. Will gets upset.

KIRK  
All right, fire at the Klingons!!!!

SULU  
Their shields are down, Captain.

*Another explosion. Everyone runs across the room again.*

SPOCK  
Hull damage to decks 3,4,5 and 7.

KIRK  
What about deck 6?

SPOCK  
They don't seem to want to fire at it.

KIRK  
Right! Everyone to deck 6!

*Everyone heads to the turbolift. Enter Morgue, from turbolift.*

MORGUE  
I am Morgue. You are all my prisoners!

KIRK  
Surely we can talk about this?

MORGUE  
No! You will all go to your security holding cell thingy, where you will be held until we reach Klingon space and I can think of something nasty to do.

KIRK  
But there's six of us and only one of you.

MORGUE  
That's beside the point - it's the principle of the matter. Besides, you know you're only going to escape anyway.

KIRK  
Okay.

*Morgue leads everyone out through the turbolift.*

## **Scene Four - Enterprise Brig**

*Kirk and crew are inside a holding cell. A Klingon Guard is asleep outside the cell. Kirk paces around.*

KIRK  
We've got to get out of here.

SPOCK  
It would be logical for us to get out of this cell and then stop the ship before we reach Klingon space.

MCCOY  
Damn it Jim, Spock, Jim, damn it. Jim! Spock! Damn it!

KIRK  
Bones! Spock! Bones!

SPOCK  
Now we've established everybody's names, how about trying to escape?

KIRK  
Yes, Spock. At times like these we need your Vulcan cunning. Does anyone know how we can disable this forcefield?

MCCOY  
Yes.

KIRK  
How?

MCCOY  
You press the buttons on that control panel over there.

MIRK  
[Beat] Good idea. Now, does anyone have any idea how we can disable the forcefield from *inside* the holding cell?

*Everyone looks at each other.*

SPOCK  
No, captain.

SCOTTY  
We could try rewiring the circuitry behind this conveniently-placed panel. I'll need some pieces from a tricorder.

SPOCK  
You can use my tricorder. Luckily the Klingons didn't take our equipment off us before putting us all in here.  
*Spock hands Scotty his tricorder. Scotty opens up the panel on the wall and re-wires the circuitry behind it. An appropriate noise is heard and Kirk steps out of the holding cell.*

KIRK  
Okay everyone. Lets go.

*Klingon Guard wakes up. Kirk and the Klingon fight. Kirk's shirt is ripped even more. The Klingon is rendered unconscious by Spock.*

KIRK  
You didn't have to do that - I could have taken him on by myself - I am Captain Kirk - I am invincible!!!!

SPOCK  
It would be logical to reach the Bridge without further delay, Captain.

KIRK  
Yes, right. Lets go.

*Exeunt.*

## **Scene 5 - Bridge of the Enterprise**

*Morgue is sitting in Kirk's chair, reading something on a clipboard. Enter Kirk, Spock and McCoy, from turbolift.*

KIRK  
[To McCoy] Do you have any tranquillisers with you?

MCCOY  
Goddamnit, Jim. I'm a doctor, not an anaesthetist.

KIRK  
But have you got any with you?

McCoy looks in his pockets.

MCCOY  
Yes.

KIRK  
Go and use some on him.

MCCOY  
All right.

McCoy creeps around the back of Morgue. McCoy jumps on Morgue and uses his hypospray on him. Morgue struggles then falls unconscious.

KIRK  
Spock, where are we?

SPOCK  
On the Bridge, Captain.

KIRK  
Where is the bridge?

SPOCK  
On the top of the ship, captain.

KIRK  
Where is the ship?

Spock walks to his station and looks at some readouts.

SPOCK  
Near the neutral zone. We're still in Federation space.

Enter the rest of the Bridge crew, through the turbolift.

KIRK  
Just in time. Mr Chekov, set course for the nearest starbase.

CHEKOV  
Yes, Captain.

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