Disney's KATBOT

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FADE IN:

EXT. LEBORE HOUSE - FRONT YARD - DAY

KATBOT'S PAWS dig a hole in the soil. DELORE'S HANDS plant a flower.

КАТВОТ

In Katatonia, digging holes in the ground is something everybody just <u>loves</u> doing.

DELORE'S POV: a smiling KATERINA, covered in dirt.

PAN FRONT LAWN: small holes dug everywhere.

DELORE (O.S.)

Well, I think you've dug enough holes for now Katerina.

ROCKY comes from behind the house, hands in pockets.

ROCKY

Mrs. Le B?

DELORE

(calling to upper window)

Junior! Rocky's here!

5 JUNIOR (O.S.)

(calling back)

Sleeping!

6 ROCKY
Ms. Le B? I'm looking for Doc Le B. Salazar's been hurfing all morning.

He pulls SALAZAR, a green iguana, out of his pocket.

DELORE

Did you check the office?

ROCKY

Yeah, but all's I found was this:

Rocky hands Delore a note.

9 DELORE (reading) "I quit forever. Sincerely, Doctor Dick Lebore."	
Delore looks up, panicked.	
10 DELORE (CONT'D) <gasp> What day is it?</gasp>	
11 KATBOT It's the fourteenth.	7
12 DELORE (lamenting, to herself) The Tournament of Biscuits. Ohhhhh, I should have seen the warning signs.	;
ON JUNIOR'S WINDOW: He leans out the window with bed head.	
<pre>13 JUNIOR (panicked, calling) Mom! Tournament of Biscuits!!</pre>	ר ר
14 KATBOT What's the "Tournament of Biscuits?"	ר ר
15 JUNIOR (calling) What should we do? Hide?	*:
16 DELORE Get dressed, Son!	* :
17 KATBOT What's the "Tournament of Biscuits?"	7
PUSH IN ON DELORE:	
18 DELORE <sigh> It's a nasty, mean-spirited, contest of vicious dog biscuit bakers.</sigh>	: :
QUICK SHIMMER TO:	
INT. TWO SEASONS HOTEL - BALLROOM C - TEN YEARS PAST - DAY	
In a hotel ballroom, an AUDIENCE in folding chairs watches a ROW OF CONTESTANTS, including Dick on a stage. A DOG BISCUIT TROPHY sits on a table off to the side.	**

19 DELORE (V.O.) It's been ten years since Dick first entered.	*
in outling a bod up to brek, who hopefully offers a bod	** **
20 DELORE (V.O.) (CONT'D) He worked on his dog biscuit for weeks, making it perfect.	*
registers shock, then disgust then <spits> it out, and</spits>	** **
CRONCHINGIIIRDE BITIBCOOGHING OF	** **
THE AUDIENCE breaks out laughing.	*
22 AUDIENCE <laughter> (under the following:)</laughter>	*
The dog greedily drains a nearby WATER BOWL.	**
DICK is mortified.	**
The bod frekb the bottom of a judges shot to get the table	**
THE CONTESTANTS howl with laughter.	**
Dick walks out in humiliation.	**
QUICK MATCH DISSOLVE TO:	
INT. LEBORE HOUSE - KITCHEN - DAY	
Endomination of Beneda, Dick, 100king Shell Shocked,	**
each year, on that day, he relives the	** **
24 JUNIOR (V.O.) One year, he didn't eat breakfast, 'til after lunch!	**

CLOCK WIPE:

INT. LEBORE HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - A FEW YEARS AGO - DAY	**
YOUNG JUNIOR plays a handheld game. Delore folds laundry. Dick enters, shaking his fists to the sky.	**
25 JUNIOR (V.O.) And one year he started talkin' allgibberishy and stuff.	
26 DICK Consarnit!	
Delore rushes to cover Young Junior's ears.	**
27 DELORE <u>Dick Elizabeth Lebore</u> ! Watch your mouth! (ALT)	**
Dick Richard Lebore! Watch your mouth!	**
Dick marches around shaking his fists to the sky.	
28 DICK Consarnit! Consarnit!	
WIPE BACK TO:	
INT. LEBORE HOUSE - LIVING ROOM	**
Delore looks off, a tragic look in her eye.	**
29 DELORE That wasn't even the worst of it.	** **
Junior, Rocky (with Salazar), Delore and Katbot stand in front of a painting on the wall.	**
30 DELORE (CONT'D) I'm sure you've wondered why this painting is here.	* * *
31 KATBOT Becauseit matches the couch?	
32 DELORE That was a happy accident. But it covers a shameful secret	*
She removes the painting, revealing a STAIN on the wall.	*
SHIMMER BACK TO:	

INT. LEBORE HOUSE LIVING ROOM - ONE YEAR AGO - DAY
Dick walks up to the spot on the wall staring at the floor. His head <thumps> against "the spot."</thumps>
Night falls. Morning dawns. Night falls again. Morning dawns again. Delore walks up to him.
33 DELORE * Dick Honey? It's been three days now *
Dick peels his head off the wall <glue-ripping sound="">. ** Delore looks at the stain left behind. **</glue-ripping>
34 DICK ** Consarnit. **
SHIMMER BACK TO:
INT. LEBORE HOUSE LIVING ROOM - DAY
Delore runs her hand over the spot as Katbot, Junior, and **Rocky (with Salazar) watch.
35 KATBOT ** Poor Doctor Lebore!
36 DELORE (choking back) The man is haunted.
Junior leans in to Rocky.
37 JUNIOR But not in a cool way.
38 ROCKY Well what should I do with Salazar?
39 DELORE Come along Rocky. It's going to have to be "Nurse Delore" at the clinic for now.
Delore and Rocky head to the back. Katbot turns to Junior.
40 KATBOT Well, how long do these things usually last with him?
41 JUNIOR * Every year its worse and worse. Last * year, he rode around town on a the back * (MORE)

JUNIOR (CONT'D) of an ostrich for like a week. That was embarrassing.	*
42 KATBOT And this time will be worse?	*
43 JUNIOR He never quit his job before	*
They sit on the couch in unison.	*
44 JUNIOR (CONT'D) (worried, to himself) We'll have to live out of our car, and live on a diet of rice and beans! (then happy) Hey! Bean burritos! I'm good.	* * * * *
45 KATBOT I have an idea	
46 JUNIOR If it's me becoming a millionaire doing live skateboard showsI already thought of that.	*
47 KATBOT Uh, no. In order to get out of his funk, your dad needs to bake another dog biscuit, re-enter the tournament, and win first place. That's easy. Let's go talk to him.	* * * *
SMASH CUT TO:	
INT. LEBORE HOUSE - DEN - DAY	
Dick lies on the couch, wearing a maroon bathrobe and fuzzy slippers. PUDDING CUPS litter the room. Dick sadly "sings" along with the whale cry. He has a beard shadow and tousled hair. He clutches a CRINKLED RECIPE in his hands.	*
MUSIC: Sad whale calls play from a CD player.	
48 DICK <whale cry=""></whale>	*
49 JUNIOR See that piece of paper in his hands that's his recipe from ten years ago.	* *
50 DICK <whale cry=""></whale>	*

51 JUNIOR	*
I knew it would be bad, butpudding cups and whale songs? That is one sad Dad.	*
52 DICK I put soy sauce in a dog biscuit! Dogs don't eat Chinese food!	*
Katbot gently takes the crinkled recipe from Dick.	*
53 KATBOT (over-doing it) Mister Lebore? Whattya say we go mix up a batch of yummy crunchy dog biscuits? Hm? How's that sound?	* * *
54 DICK <whale cry=""></whale>	* *
Dick rolls into the cushions, revealing the back of his robe reads, "Flat Hills Hotel."	**
Katbot and Junior exchange worried looks.	*
CUT TO:	*
EXT. LEBORE HOUSE - KITCHEN - DAY	
Katbot reads the recipe as Junior sits on the counter.	
55 KATBOT Junior, if your dad's not going to help himself, then we're going to have to help him <u>for</u> him, and <u>make</u> him help himself!	* *
56 JUNIOR You're starting to sound like me.	*
57 KATBOT Now, we'll start with his old recipe and figure out what parts dogs like, and what parts they don't.	* * *
58 JUNIOR Wellwhat are we gonna do? (JOKINGLY) Talk to a dog?	* * * *
59 KATBOT UnchI'd rather get my claws clipped. But I guess that's the only way	* ** **
She heads out. HOLD on Junior who sits there, head cocked.	*

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EXT. PARK - DAY	*
In a wooded park, Katbot and Junior approach a BIG DOG.	*
60 KATBOT Bark! Bark!	** *
61 JUNIOR That's so cool you speak Dog.	*
62 BIG DOG Bark! Bark!	*
63 KATBOT It's easy. Such a dumb language. I mean, listen to it. (to Big Dog) Bark! Bark!	* ** ** **
64 JUNIOR I thought dogs always want to eat you cats dudes.	* ** **
65 KATBOT That is <u>pure</u> media manipulation. All they really do is chase us aroundI mean, how annoying is that?	** ** **
66 BIG DOG Bark bark!	* **
67 JUNIOR What's he saying?	*
68 KATBOT That he wants to eat us.	** **
The dog bares his teeth.	**
69 BIG DOG <ferocious dog="" growl=""></ferocious>	**
70 KATBOT RUN!	**
Junior and Katbot take off, followed by the big dog.	**
WIPE TO:	
EXT. TREE - DAY	

The dog jumps up at a tree trunk over and over.

71 BIG DOG ** <rapid agitated="" barking=""></rapid>
PAN UP TREE. Katbot and Junior look down from a branch.
72 KATBOT How humiliating is it that I have to sit up in this tree while that stupid dog barks at me. I could If we were on Katatonia
She shouts down to the dog.
73 KATBOT (CONT'D) ** You'd be a scratching post! **
74 JUNIOR 'Kay, Plan A is a total bustage. What's next?
75 KATBOT We're just gonna have to make the biscuit ourselves. With my alien know-how and yourawareness of thatit'll be the
best dog biscuit ever! CUT TO:
INT. LEBORE HOUSE - KITCHEN - DAY Katbot and Junior stand in front of a counter laden with ingredients and bowls.
76 KATBOT Okay, we have all the basic ingredients, plus a few of my own.
Junior picks up a tin bad-smelling anchovies.
77 JUNIOR Anchovies? I'm gonna hurf!
78 KATBOT Cats have great taste. Trust me. No dog is gonna refuse these biscuits.
SERIES OF SHOTS:
ON A CANISTER OF UTENSILS: On the counter top are an array of wooden spoons, electric beaters, and spatulas.
ON KATBOT'S HAND, fingers extended as the utensils click into her fingertips.

Katbot's CLAW opens a CAN OF TUNA. She dumps it into a mixing bowl.

Katbot pours MILK into her mixing bowl.

She picks an ANCHOVY out of a can, drops it in the bowl, then picks another one, drops it in her mouth.

Junior rolls out dough on the counter top.

ON DOUGH, as red lasers cut out the dog bone shape. (NOTE: The laser comes from her antennae).

Junior, now wearing SAFETY GOGGLES, stands next to Katbot at the counter. She waves glowing paws over the cookie sheet like a Xerox machine. <WHIRR, WHIRR> A red light glow illuminates their faces.

Junior lifts his goggles as Katbot uses tongs to lift up a fish-shaped cat treat-looking biscuit. She takes a bite.

79 JUNIOR Well?

80 KATBOT
<SWALLOWS> Attractive fish shape, whiskerlicking ocean scent, salty, yet...
"salty." Junior, we have the perfect
biscuit!

WIPE TO:

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INT. DICK'S CLINIC - DAY

Rocky holds Salazar on a counter top and pets him, while Delore flips through a LARGE TEXTBOOK. Other textbooks are piled on the counter.

81 DELORE **
There must be something in one of these **
books about iguana indigestion. I've **
already looked through twenty! **

Katbot and Junior come into the clinic.

83 JUNTOR

Hey, we're gonna borrow Colonel Barker for a mo, 'kay?

84 DELORE Sure thing, honey!

85 ROCKY

Better hurry, Mrs. Le B, Salazar's makin' his hurfing face.

ON SALAZAR, looking ooky.

EXT. LEBORE HOUSE - BACK YARD - DAY

Junior and Katbot stand with COLONEL BARKER, a small terrier, in front of a bedraggled Dick.

86 DICK

You say you made my dog biscuit recipe?

87 KATBOT

I made a few "minor" changes, but I think this one is going to make you a winner!

88 JUNIOR

Yeah, and then you can go back to work and maybe take a shower. Or just wash the pudding out of your moustache.

89 DICK

I appreciate it, kids. Let's try it.

90 **KATBOT**

Here goes...

BEGIN TENSE MUSIC: (This sequence builds in pace).

Katbot holds out the biscuit for Colonel Barker to sniff.

91 COLONEL BARKER

<SNIFF SOUNDS>

The dog jerks back from the bad smell.

ON KATBOT: eyes narrowing.

ON DICK: eyes nervous.

Colonel Barker sticks out a timid tongue -- tastes icky.

ON KATBOT: looking worried.

ON JUNIOR: face recoiling.

ON DICK: looking nervous.

Katbot puts the whole biscuit in his mouth. Colonel Barker's eyes widen in surprise.

92 COLONEL BARKER (CONT'D) <MOUTH STUFFED SURPRISE>

ON KATBOT: Hands to face.

ON JUNIOR: "Chewing the air" to instruct the dog.

ON DICK: Slack jawed in disbelief.

Colonel Barker spits and spits out pieces of the biscuit!

93 COLONEL BARKER (CONT'D) <PTOOIE! PTOOIE! > (get several)

ON KATBOT: fists clenched in disappointment at the sky.

94 KATBOT Consarnit!

She trudges off dejectedly. Three CATS race into frame and swarm over the dog biscuit.

95 CATS <CAT EATING SOUNDS>

CUT TO:

INT. LEBORE HOUSE DEN - DAY

The room is dark. Katbot lies on the couch in a fuzzy bathrobe and slippers chugging milk straight out of the carton.

96 KATBOT <CHUGGING SOUNDS>

MUSIC: The whale sounds CD plays.

97 KATBOT (CONT'D) <SAD WHALE SOUND>

SFX: a light <KNOCK> on the door.

Dick opens the door and sticks his head in.

98 DICK

Katerina? It's Doctor Lebore.

POV DICK: KATERINA on the couch with a milk moustache.

99 DICK (CONT'D)

May I come in?

100 KATBOT

I s'pose. <SIGH>

Dick enters and sits on the couch next to Katbot. He is still in his bathrobe.

101 DICK

Think I could have some of that?

She hands him the carton of milk. He chugs it.

102 DICK (CONT'D)

<CHUGGING SOUNDS>

They're both sitting there with matching milk moustaches.

103 KATBOT/DICK

<SIGH>

104 DICK

Thank you for trying to help me.

105 KATBOT

I failed. I'm just a failure. A big failure from far away.

106 DICK

So you're giving up. Just like that.

107 KATBOT

Pretty much.

108 DICK

Well, doggone it, I don't think so! You don't just stop trying after one failure!

Katbot looks at him, confused.

109 KATBOT

You did.

Dick realizes.

110 DICK

Hm. Salty crackers, you're right! Well, people feeling sorry for themselves in THIS house is gonna stop right here right now.

111 KATBOT

It is?

112 DICK

Yes. I'm going back to the dog biscuit drawing board, and you're going to help!

He gets up.

113 KATBOT

I am?

WIPE TO:

INT. DICK'S CLINIC - DAY

UP ANGLE ON DICK AND KATBOT. Dick is back to combed hair, smock, and tie. Dialogue plays fast and melodramatic:

114 DICK

Whole wheat flour.

She hands him a measuring cup of flour.

115 KATBOT

Yes Doctor.

116 DTCK

Concentrated meat flavor reduction.

She hands him a turkey baster filled with gravy.

117 KATBOT

Yes Doctor.

118 DICK

Bone meal! Stabilizer! Baking Soda!

She rapidly hands him various measuring spoons and cups.

119 KATBOT

Yes. Yes. Yes.

120 DICK

Crunchy Peanut Butter!

121 KATBOT

What?!?

122 DICK

(impatient)

Crunchy Peanut Butter!!

123 KATBOT

Doctor, you're mad!

124 DICK

Am I? Or am I mad like a fox!

She hands him an open jar of peanut butter and a knife.

125 KATBOT

Yes doctor!

UP ANGLE ON DICK: He's Dr. Frankenstein at midnight!

126 DICK

Now my beautiful biscuit batter--come to life!

He raises a hand mixer in front of his face, and the beater <WHIRR>. He plunges the beaters into the O.S. mixing bowl.

127 DICK (CONT'D)

Bwa ha ha ha!

WIPE TO:

INT. LEBORE HOUSE - KITCHEN - LATER - DAY

Katbot, in oven mitts, holds a cookie sheet with DICK'S BISCUITS (they look in some way different from Katbot's). Dick holds one up to the light with a pair of tongs.

128 DICK

Shape: Uniform. Aroma: <QUICK SNIFF>

Beefy. Taste:

ON COLONEL BARKER, as Dick crouches into frame with his new biscuit.

The dog backs away, not wanting to taste it. Then he smells something ...something tasty! He devours it!

129 COLONEL BARKER

<SQUIRMING SOUNDS, CUT OFF BY SNIFFING,</pre>

THEN RAPID EATING>

Katbot brightens, but Dick remains stoic.

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130 KATBOT

He likes it! He really, really likes it! I shouldn't have let one failure get me so down. Thanks for making me give it another try.

Dick puts an arm around her.

131 DICK

I should be thanking you. (BEAT) But there's no time for celebrating--yet. We've got to get to that bake-off!

EXT. LEBORE HOUSE - FRONT DOOR - MOMENTS LATER - DAY

Dick rushes out the front door carrying a paper sack. Katbot follows.

132 KATBOT

Shouldn't we call ahead and tell them to hold the contest for us?

133 DICK

They'd never do it for "Last Place Lebore." Now normally I'd put Mother Nature first and drive my bicycle. But since this is an emergency, we're going to take--

DICK'S CAR: A rusted hatchback convertible (top down) sits on the curb. It has an emblem of a torpedo on the door.

134 DICK (O.S.) (CONT'D) -- The Flying Torpedo!

EXT. DICK'S CAR - CURBSIDE - MOMENTS LATER - DAY

Dick sits behind the wheel, trying to turn over the engine, which only <GRIND, GRIND, GRINDS>. Katbot sits beside him.

135 KATBOT Doctor Lebore--

136 DICK

Come on Torpedo. Fly away home, baby...

<COUGH!> The engine totally dies.

Katbot's antennae ZAP the ignition, the car <ROARS> to life.

The car rockets down the street like the Batmobile!

EXT. TWO SEASONS HOTEL - VALET PARK STOP - DAY

Dick's car <SCREECHES> to a halt in front of the hotel.

INT. TWO SEASONS HOTEL - MOMENTS LATER

Dick and Katbot run up to a TABLE in front of a door labeled "BALLROOM C". Behind the table sit THREE LADIES. Dick holds up a ZIPLOC-TYPE BAG with his biscuit in it.

137 DICK
Is it too late to enter the bake-off?

138 SIGN-IN LADY And you are?

Dick straightens up proudly.

139 DICK Doctor Dick Lebore!

Her eyes bug in shock.

THE LADIES murmur to each other back and fourth.

140 LADIES <MURMUR WALLA: "Dick Lebore?">

The door to Ballroom C opens, and several JUDGES poke their heads out to see, and murmur to each other. TRUCK DOWN as even DOGS murmur back and forth.

141 CROWD <MURMUR WALLA: "Last Place Lebore?">

142 DOGS <DOG MURMURS>

ON DICK AND KATBOT: He gives her a confident "thumbs up."

Dick struts into Ballroom C, and Katbot follows. The door closes. PUSH IN on "Ballroom C" sign on door.

CROSS DISSOLVE TO:

INT. LEBORE HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - LATER - DAY

TRUCK OUT FROM: the dog bone trophy, which Delore, Dick, Katbot, Junior, Rocky (and Salazar) sit around.

143 ROCKY (O.S.) Way to go Doc Le B.

144 DELORE (PARTIAL O.S.)
Katerina, I don't know who wins trophies
in your country, but people like us NEVER
win! Dick, I'm proud of you.

145 JUNIOR Seriously, dad, way to go!

Katbot examines the trophy.

146 KATBOT Who's Dink Belore?

147 DICK What?

Dick looks at the trophy and shakes his fists to the ceiling.

148 DICK (CONT'D) Consarnit!

He trudges out of the room, head hanging.

149 DELORE <SIGH> I'll get his bathrobe.

150 KATBOT I'll get the pudding.

They exit after him.

FADE OUT.

THE END