

Dos y Cinco

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FADE IN:

INT. HOME - NIGHT

A frustrated MOM is sitting at the kitchen counter, looking at a paper that has a student's conduct on it.

MOM

40 detentions! I mean how is that even possible? You have gotten a detention everyday of school so far!

On the other side of the counter is a stressed looking kid whose head is held up by his hands. This is PETER. He sits at the edge of his seat.

PETER

Mom, you don't understand. They are all from Spanish. Sra. Bacon gives me a detention for the littlest things.

MOM

Well, you have Pickleball tryouts tomorrow at 2:30 in the gym. If you get a detention, you won't make the team and I'll ground you for the rest of the school year.

PETER

That's impossible. She gives me a detention if I breathe too loud.

MOM

That's an over exaggeration, Petey. She can't be that bad.

PETER

Oh you think so?

INT. SPANISH CLASS - DAY - FLASHBACK

Peter is sitting in Spanish class. He coughs as SRA. BACON, Peters Spanish teacher, is up at the whiteboard teaching.

SRA. BACON

Pedro, no me interrumpas en mi tiempo. (Don't interrupt me on my time). Dos y Cinco!

Peter sits in Spanish class again and takes a deep sigh. Sra. Bacon snaps a dirty look at him.

SRA. BACON (CONT'D)  
Estás respirando muy fuerte,  
Pedro. (You are breathing too loud  
Peter) ¡Dos y cinco!

INT. HISTORY CLASS - DAY

Peter walks in late to his history class, and Sra. Bacon stands up from one of the seats.

SRA. BACON  
Ah ah, Pedro. No puedes llegar  
tarde a clase. (You can't be  
coming in late to class). Dos y  
Cinco!

PETER  
This is US History, not Spanish.  
What are you even doing here?

MR. BALKUS  
You heard her. Dos y Cinco,  
Pedro!

BACK TO PRESENT DAY

"Dos y Cinco, Pedro" rings still in Peter's ear as he sits still with a petrified face on.

PETER  
(In deep thought)  
She always calls me Pedro.

MOM  
There is no way that is true. All  
the teachers say she is really  
nice.

PETER  
(intense)  
That's what she does! It's all  
mind games.

Peter sits up in his seat and his motions become scattered, as he is severely traumatized by these detentions. He continues to lean in as he is speaking.

PETER (CONT'D)

(more intense)

She's nice to teachers, but its all a facade. When that classroom door shuts she's a whole other person.

INT. SPANISH HALLWAY - DAY

Peter is walking to class with his friend KEVIN, a troublemaker who always gets detention with Peter.

KEVIN

So, we ready to keep our streak alive. I mean 41 days has to be some kind of school record.

PETER

No, Kevin, I can't get detention today. I have pickleball tryouts and if I miss them, I'll be grounded 'til school's out, maybe longer.

KEVIN

Oh, dude, I heard Kampper is coaching that this year. If you miss that you're a dead man.

PETER

I know. Listen, I need you to help me make sure I don't get a detention. Take some blames for me. Anything! I'll owe you big time but I value my life more than anything. Kampper will put me through some Boot Kamp that will end up being my grave.

KEVIN

No worries man, I got you.

INT. SPANISH CLASS - DAY

Peter and Kevin go to their desks in the back of the classroom. They look at each other and give a slight nod. Sra. Bacon walks through the door laughing with SRA. CLEARY, another Spanish teacher.

SRA. BACON

(Laughing)

Oh, you are just too much! Always  
bring a smile to my face

SRA. CLEARY

Oh stop it.

Sra. Cleary turns to the whole class.

SRA. CLEARY (CONT'D)

You students are so lucky to have  
such a nice, kind, and caring  
teacher like Sra. Bacon. I mean  
look at all these happy faces!

The camera pans to the class to see no one smiling. Students  
are even on the verge of crying.

SRA. BACON

Yep, they all love this class.  
Oh, and before I forget, here are  
some cookies I got for the  
foreign language teachers.

Sra. Bacon pulls out a jar of cookies and hands it to Sra.  
Cleary.

SRA. CLEARY

Oh, you are so sweet. I go put  
these in the teacher's lounge.  
Enjoy your class everyone.

Sra. Cleary leaves and Sra. Bacon shuts the door behind her.  
All of a sudden, her face turns from a big smile to a stone  
cold serious glare. She walks over to the white board and  
writes "Dos y Cinco" in big letters on the side and  
underlines it aggressively.

SRA. BACON

¡Tarea, ahora! (Homework, now)

The students rush to take out their homework, but as Peter is  
scavenging through his folder, he cannot find it. He turns to  
Kevin.

PETER

(whispering)

Crap dude, I left my homework on  
the kitchen table.

SRA. BACON

Sin tarea significa Dos y Cinco.  
(No homework means Dos y Cinco)

KEVIN

Here dude just take mine, I'm not  
sure how correct it is, but at  
least you won't get a detention.

Peter takes his homework just before Sra. Bacon walks by and  
changes the name to his.

SRA. BACON

¿Qué te pasa Kevin? ¿No hay  
tarea? (What's the matter Kevin?  
No homework)

KEVIN

Huh?

SRA. BACON

(annoyed)

¡Tarea! ¿¡Tienes tu tarea!?  
(Homework! Do you have your  
homework!?)

Sra. Bacon is now smacking Kevin's desk and he is still  
sitting there confused.

SRA. BACON (CONT'D)

¿Dónde está tu TAREA? (Where is  
your homework?)

KEVIN

Oh, my homework. Yeah I did it.

SRA. BACON

Okay, where is it?

KEVIN

At home..

Sra. Bacon takes a deep breath in to calm down.

SRA. BACON

DOS Y CINCO!!!

The scream almost knocked Kevin out of his seat. Sra. Bacon  
walks away and puts his name under the Dos y Cinco.

PETER

(whispering)

Thanks man. I really appreciate it.

KEVIN

Anytime man. At least I still got my detention streak going. Maybe I'll make it in the Guinness Book of Walpole Records, right next to Mr. St. Martin.

INT. GUINNESS BOOK OF WALPOLE RECORDS

A funny photo of Dave St. Martin, labeled "Shiniest Scalp".

BACK TO PRESENT DAY

PETER

Yeah, sure man. Whatever you say.

KEVIN

Hey, don't stress. Class is already half-way through.

PETER

Alright, perfect. Only 30 more minutes and I'm free.

Sra. Bacon grabs some papers from her desk and starts to hand them out to students.

SRA. BACON

Okay, clase, I have a quick, very light, 30 minute Spanish exam that I want you all to try. It will take us to the end of class, so I want absolute silence. If I hear one PEEP, it is a Dos y Cinco.

KEVIN

Oh dude this is easy for you. Just don't say anything and you are clear.

The time is passing by and class is about to end. Peter is profusely sweating as the clock ticks down.

Peter wipes the sweat off his forehead and checks the clock, 5 minutes lefts. However, he tries to pick up his pencil and it slips out of his hand due to the sweat.

SLOW MOTION

- The pencil falls off of his desk.

-Peter's face is filled with shock as he is now sweating even heavier.

-Kevin watches as Peter's pencil is about to hit the ground.

-Suddenly, Kevin comes to a realization, and dives on the floor. He hits the pencil up to Peter.

EXIT SLOW MOTION

Sra. Bacon's head snaps up.

SRA BACON

Kevin! Out of the classroom, now!  
And that's a weeks worth of  
detention.

Kevin gets up, gives a silent nod of respect to Peter, and walks out of the classroom.

Peter looks back at the clock, 2 minutes left, he has almost done it.

Suddenly, Peter feels a tickle in his nose, it's a sneeze building up. He glances at the clock, 1 minute left, he just has to hold for one minute. It intensifies, the clock is ticking down, but Peter can't hold it anymore...

PETER

AHHHHH CHOOOOOOO!!!!

Peter lets out a humongous sneeze, so big that it blows the hair off the person in front of him.

SRA. BACON

Pedro! You have the audacity to sneeze during this exam? During my class time? We do not run on your schedule. I have had it with your tomfoolery. Peter, DOS Y CINCO!!



INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY

Peter storm into the auditorium with Kevin and sit with their friend SCOTT, a skinny and studious kid, in study last block.

SCOTT

You alright, Peter?

PETER

No, I am not alright. Sra. Bacon just gave me a Dos y Cinco for literally coughing, and of course, I have Pickleball tryouts after school. You know how serious Kampper has taken it since he was asked to coach.

MONTAGE: KAMPPER PICKLEBALL

-Kamper is seen with a board of Pickleball rules, showing the players.

-One kid messes up and has to run 50 laps

-He is yelling at the kids and one kid begins to cry.

-Kampper is dancing after he wins.

END MONTAGE

INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY

KEVIN

God, he is one scary man.

SCOTT

Wait, Dos y Cinco? That's her version of detention right? I heard kids just skip that all the time.

PETER

Seriously? This is huge! I'm just gonna head to the gym right after school for tryouts and everything will be fine. Nothing could go wrong!

INT. GYM - DAY

The camera shows a clock at 2:03, and moves down to show Peter walking through the gym doors with a bunch of other kids ready for tryouts, smiling and laughing as he does.

PETER

..and then she yelled at me for coughing and gave me detention. But she really thought I would show up!

Mr Kampper walks in behind the statues of Peter and Kevin, looking down at his clipboard

KAMPPER

Alright. Today we have our first tryout of the new season. To get things started, I want to make it apparent that if you have get a detention of any kind, especially from Sra. Bacon, you are expected to report there. If you think I am scary, wait 'til you see her if you skip a Dos y Cinco.

Peter gulps audibly and the kids around him start snickering.

KAMPPER (CONT'D)

What! What's so funny? You guys know I have FOMO.

RANDOM STUDENT 1

Nothing sir, It's just....Peter got a Dos y Cinco, but decided to come to tryouts instead.

KAMPPER

No, no. Don't tell me you skipped a Dos y Cinco! Oh god, lock all the doors! Someone grab the go bag!

Kampper starts freaking out, like a monster is coming after him.

PETER

I thought it wasn't a big deal. I didn't know...

KAMPPER

(Imterupting)

You didn't know! Sra. Bacon takes that stuff seriously. You can't just skip a...

Just then, Sra. Bacon bursts through the Gym doors.

SRA. BACON

¿Pensaste que podías esconderte de mí, Pedro? (Thought you could hide from me, Peter)

KAMPPER

Ah! Everybody run! Initiate ALICE!

Kampper sprints out of the back gym doors, followed by the rest of the class

SRA. BACON

Silly, Pedro. Never learned your lesson. First you interrupt my precious class time, then you try to run away. Now, you pay.

PETER

What do you mean, pay...

SRA. BACON

RAAAHHHHH!!

Sra. Bacon charges Peter and the screen cuts to black.

FADE OUT.