

CAMP ON REPEAT

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Camp Ramah New England

CHARACTERS

Noa

Shira

Hannah

Counselors

Camper 1

Camper 2

Noa's Mom

Noa's Dad

SCENE ONE

Camp Ramah Palmer

(Evening. NOA enters. They pick up the phone and dial.)

NOA

Hi...

Mom and Dad?...

Yes, it's Noa...

No I'm not ok, camp sucks...

Well the day started like this...

SONG #1: "BOKER TOV"

*(We flashback to the beginning of the day. NOA wakes up in their bunk with other
CAMPERS and COUNSELORS.)*

COUNSELORS

Boker Tov Banot. Today is gonna be a big day.

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO

THE CHANCE OF RAIN
IS NINETY TWO
AND OR CHADASH
NOW WE MUST DO

And don't forget, today's Yom Avatiach.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

YOM AVATIACH
YOM AVATIACH

NOA

This is stupid.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

(to NOA)
DON'T BE A BIATCH!

COUNSELORS

Alright everybody out of bed. Time to get moving.

(The CAMPERS and COUNSELORS start crossing the stage.)

COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER
BOKER TOV
TIME TO GO TO TEFILLOT
TODAY IS A WONDERFUL DAY
IN THIS AMAZING MACHANE
THE SUN IS SHINING
THE BIRDS ARE CHIRPING

NOA

I feel like crying.

HANNAH

GUYS HE'S LURKING

CAMPER 1

Go away Noa.

CAMPER 2

Stop being so weird.

(NOA walks away and stands alone off to the side. SHIRA goes up to NOA.)

SHIRA

Hey, you wanna play cards with us today? Maybe after tefillot?

NOA

No. Cards are stupid.

SHIRA

Ok, well maybe another time.

NOA

I doubt it.

(SHIRA walks back to the group.)

HANNAH

What is wrong with that kid?

NOA

I don't know, but obviously something is going on.

COUNSELORS

Alright campers, time for tefillot. Let's hear your voice.

NOA

BARUCH HAGEVER
I HATE THIS CAMP SO MUCH
I JUST WANT TO GO HOME
BARUCH HAGEVER
CAN'T MAKE ANY FRIENDS
WILL THIS DAY EVER END

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

BARUCH HAGEVER (WA-WA-OOOO)
(WA-WA-OOOO)
(WHY-Y-Y)
BARUCH HAGEVER (WA-WA-OOOO)
(WA-WA-OOOO)
(NO-O-O)

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER
BOKER TOV

SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO
EVERY DAY IS SO MUCH FUN
HANGIN' WITH FRIENDS UNDER THE SUN
BECAUSE THIS IS THE...
BEST PLACE EVER

NOA

WORST PLACE EVER

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

BEST DAY EVER

NOA

WORST DAY EVER

(NOA goes back to the phone call.)

NOA

So as you can see Mom and Dad, camp really sucks. Please come pick me up...

Tomorrow?...

Sounds good.

SCENE TWO

Chadar Ochel

(Later that evening. The CAMPERS and COUNSELORS are sitting at a table eating dinner. NOA walks over.)

SHIRA

Hey Noa, want to sit with us?

NOA

(sarcastically)

Hmm... let me think... NO!

HANNAH

(whispering to Shira)

Why did you invite her? She's so rude.

NOA

Like I said before Hannah, I think something else is going on. Maybe they're homesick?
And anyway, two wrongs don't make a right.

(NOA walks to an empty table and sits alone.)

NOA

Alone again. I'm so excited to leave this place tomorrow.

(NOA slaps the table. Loud lightning strikes!)

COUNSELOR

Everybody needs to go back to their tzrifim.

(Pause)

COUNSELOR

Now!

(Everybody runs and we transition into a bunk. The CAMPERS and NOA start getting into bed.)

CAMPER 1

I'm all wet.

CAMPER 2

This is not a normal storm.

CAMPER 1

There's something spooky about it.

CAMPER 2

Everything will be better tomorrow. Another great day at Machane Ramah.

NOA

(to herself)

Another great day indeed. I get to go home.

(NOA smiles and falls asleep)

SCENE THREE

(NOA wakes up thinking it's the next day when they hear...)

SONG #2: "SOMETHING WEIRD IS GOING ON"

COUNSELORS

Boker Tov Banot. Today is gonna be a big day.

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BOKER TOV
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IS NINETY TWO
AND OR CHADASH
NOW WE MUST DO

And don't forget, today's Yom Avatiach.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

YOM AVATIACH
YOM AVATIACH

NOA

Wait, I've seen this.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

DON'T BE A BIATCH!

(NOA steps out and sings to the audience while everyone freezes.)

NOA

SOMETHING WEIRD IS GOING ON
SOMETHING STRANGE
THIS IS ON A WHOLE NEW OTHER-WORLDLY RANGE
IS THIS A CURSE?
CAN SOMEONE TAKE ME AWAY FROM THIS
IN A GIANT GLOOMY HEARSE?

Well, at least that would increase the mood a bit.

(Pause)

Wait! I know what to do.

THE IDEA IS SO CLEAR
I'LL GET MYSELF KICKED OUT OF HERE!

I'LL DIVE INTO MOSQUITO LAKE
STAND ON TRAIN TRACKS AND TEMPT SOME FATE
GRAFFITI WALLS UNTIL DAYBREAK
AND EVERY SINGLE TIME
A COUNSELOR WILL FIND ME AND SAY

COUNSELORS

NOA YOU ARE OUT OF HERE
PACK YOUR BAGS LET'S GO
TOMORROW WE ARE SENDING YOU
ON YOUR WAY BACK HOME

NOA

Yessssss! I can finally go to sleep feeling good about the next day.

(NOA goes to sleep. They wake up the next morning and...)

COUNSELORS

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BOKER TOV
SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO
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AND OR CHADASH
NOW WE MUST DO

And don't forget, today's Yom Avatiach.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

YOM AVATIACH
YOM AVATIACH

NOA

What is happening?

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

DON'T BE A BIATCH!

NOA

Ok let's try this again.

(Music gets faster!)

NOA

I'LL DIVE INTO MOSQUITO LAKE
STAND ON TRAIN TRACKS AND TEMPT SOME FATE
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CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

YOM AVATIACH

YOM AVATIACH

NOA

I already know.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

DON'T BE A BIATCH!

NOA

OH NO MATTER WHAT I TRY
TO GET MYSELF HOME SOON
EVERY MORNING I AWAKE
TO THE SAME INCESSANT TUNE

COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO

THE CHANCE OF RAIN

IS NINETY TWO

AND OR CHADASH

NOW WE MUST DO

And don't forget, today's Yom Avatiach.

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

YOM AVATIACH

YOM AVATIACH

YOM

AVATIACH!

NOA

This isn't working.

(NOA collapses.)

SCENE FOUR

(SHIRA, HANNAH and CAMPERS are playing cards. NOA walks by.)

SHIRA

Hey, you wanna play cards with us?

NOA

Ugh! I need to vent.

SHIRA

Oh, okay, no problem. Guys, I'll be right back.

(HANNAH's head shoots up.)

HANNAH

Noa, what do you want? You've been nothing but a biatch to us!

(SHIRA forcefully pulls HANNAH away.)

SHIRA

C'mon let's give her a chance.

(HANNAH rolls her eyes and mumbles something. They nod and go back to NOA.)

NOA

I'll be honest. I'm hating every minute of every day, and waiting for the seconds to pass with nothing to do even though...

SONG #3: "SHIRA'S SONG"

SHIRA

NOAH, OH NOAH
DON'T BE A GROUCH
I'VE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU
SO SIT ON THE COUCH
CAMP IS NOT LONG
SO LET'S JUST HAVE FUN

NOA

Camp is so dumb.

SHIRA

NO WAIT!

I'M NOT DONE

Have you ever thought how great it would be if you could repeat yesterday again?

HANNAH

No.

NOA

Yes - all the time.

HANNAH

What is your point Shira?

SHIRA

IF ONE DAY REPEATED

WHAT WOULD I DO?

I'D SING ALONG

TO MY FAVORITE SONG

IN FRONT OF EVERYONE

I'D LEARN TO PLAY THE GUITAR

AND THE TRUMPET TOO

THERE'S SO MUCH TO DO

WHEN THERE'S NOTHING TO DO

SO GO WITH THE LOOP

NOA

That was confusing Shira.

SHIRA

Ok, it's like buying a new pair of shoes.

NOA

I don't follow.

SHIRA

Well when you buy them, they might be really uncomfortable. You might even hate them a little. But the more you wear them, the more you break them in. And pretty soon they might even become something you learn to love.

HANNAH

Oh my god, that was deep Shira. You're like a poet.

SHIRA

I know, I'm like literally giving Shakespeare. I bet if I killed him I could totally get his job.

HANNAH

Shakespeare's dead.

SHIRA

I did it.

NOA

Oy vey.

SHIRA

NO REGRETS
BECAUSE YOU GET
WHATEVER YOU PUT IN
WOAH

SHIRA & HANNAH

NO REGRETS
BECAUSE YOU GET
WHATEVER YOU PUT IN
WOAH
NO REGRETS
BECAUSE YOU GET
WHATEVER YOU PUT IN

(Awkward pause.)

NOA

Oh you want me to riff with you?

(They nod with a big smile.)

Ugh ok.

(NOA sings.)

WOAH

SHIRA & HANNAH

Yay!

(Group hug as the music ends.)

NOA

You're right girls. Maybe tomorrow I'll try something new. Layla tov.

(NOA goes to sleep.)

SCENE FIVE

(NOA wakes up and hears...)

SONG #4: "BOKER TOV (REPRISE)"

COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO

THE CHANCE OF RAIN

IS NINETY TWO

AND OR CHADASH

NOW WE MUST DO

NOA

And don't forget, today's Yom Avatiach.

COUNSELORS

That's right Noa.

NOA

I love Yom Avatiach.

ALL

YOM AVATIACH

YOM AVATIACH

YOM AVATIACH

YOM AVATIACH

COUNSELORS

Alright everybody out of bed. Time to get moving.

(The CAMPERS and COUNSELORS start crossing the stage.)

ALL

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

TIME TO GO TO TEFILLOT

(SHIRA goes up to NOA.)

SHIRA

Hey, you wanna play cards with us today? Maybe after tefillot?

NOA

Yes I'd love to.

SHIRA

Ok great. Can't wait.

(SHIRA walks back to the group.)

HANNAH

What is wrong with that kid?

NOA

What do you mean?

HANNAH

Noa seems different today. Like, happy or something.

NOA

I like it.

(Time passes as we hear...)

CAMPERS & COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

SO MANY NEW PLACES TO GO

EVERY DAY IS SO MUCH FUN

HANGIN' WITH FRIENDS UNDER THE SUN

BECAUSE THIS IS THE...

(NOA and SHIRA talk)

NOA

Thanks Shira for including me in the card game.

SHIRA

I'm really glad you joined.

NOA

This has been the best day ever.

SHIRA

Tell me more.

NOA

Well, I passed a swim test.

SHIRA

Nice.

NOA

I conquered my fears and climbed the alpine tower.

SHIRA

Excellent.

NOA

And I made some new friends.

SHIRA

Yeah, things are pretty great here.

NOA

I guess they are.

SHIRA

Layla tov.

NOA

Layla tov.

(Everyone goes to bed. NOA awakes and hears...)

COUNSELORS

Boker Tov Banot. Today is gonna be a big day.

NOA

Oh no!

COUNSELORS

BOKER BOKER

BOKER TOV

OK BANOT IT'S TIME TO GO

IT'S SUNNY UNLIKE YESTERDAY

THE HIGH TODAY IS EIGHTY-EIGHT

NOA

Wait...

COUNSELORS

And don't forget, today is Yom Regiel.

COUNSELORS AND CAMPERS

YOM REGIEL

YOM REGIEL

NOA

OH MY GOD THIS IS SURREAL

COUNSELOR

Alright everyone off we go.

(Everyone exits the stage and starts crossing. Suddenly, Noa's MOM & DAD enter.)

DAD

Noa...

MOM

...Sweetie, we are here to take you home.

NOA

Oh crap.

MOM

We missed you so much.

DAD

We were so sad you didn't want to stay...

MOM

...But we are happy to take you home.

NOA

Actually, I made a mistake.

MOM

Really?

NOA

Yes.

DAD

Well that's wonderful. A waste of gas, but truly wonderful.

MOM

We will see you at the end of the session then.

(They all hug. MOM and DAD exit.)

SHIRA

I'm really happy you're staying.

NOA

Me too.

SONG #5: "NO REGRETS"

ALL

NO REGRETS

BECAUSE YOU GET

WHATEVER YOU PUT IN

WOAH

NO REGRETS

BECAUSE YOU GET

WHATEVER YOU PUT IN

WOAH

THE END