

THE DESCENDANTS

FILM	THE DESCENDANTS	
MOVIE SCENE	MATT TALKING TO LIZ, on life support	
SCENE LENGTH	00:02:26	
SCRIPT	X	
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LANGUAGE	English	
LEVEL	Advanced.	

Storyline

With his wife Elizabeth on life support after a boating accident, Hawaiian land baron Matt King takes his daughters on a trip from Oahu to Kauai to confront the young real estate broker, who was having an affair with Elizabeth before her misfortune.

SCENE 1.- SCRIPT

MATT (Voice Over) This is Elizabeth Thorson King, my wife. Twenty-three days ago she was launched from a powerboat during a race and hit her head. Almost drowned. When I heard about the accident and about the coma, I wasn't even in town. I was on Maui, on business, and we hadn't spoken in three days. In a way, we hadn't really spoken in months. If you're doing this to get my attention, Liz, it's working. I'm ready now. I'm ready to talk. I'm ready to change. I'm ready to be a real husband and a real father. Just wake up. Please, Liz, just wake up. [PHONE BUZZING] Hey, Noe, what's up?

NOE [OVER PHONE]: Matt, Scottie's teacher's on the phone. She says it's urgent.

MATT: Okay, put her on.

..... (AT SCHOOL)

COUNSELOR: We don't think these photographs... ..are appropriate for Scottie to be sharing with her classmates. Some of them went home quite disturbed, and we got some angry calls from parents.

MATT: Yeah, she's kind of been going to town on this whole picture-taking thing. I had no idea.

COUNSELOR: Mr. King, we see this every day. Children acting out in school when something is wrong at home. And your family is facing a devastating crisis. Have you been engaging Scottie in really talking about everything that's going on?

MATT: Yes, yes, absolutely.

COUNSELOR: Encouraging her to express her feelings? That's crucial. Mm-hm.

MATT I understand.

.....(leaving school)

MATT: What's the matter with you, showing those pictures of Mom for your art project?

SCOTTIE: I'm a photographer, Dad, a real photographer.

MATT: No. You're not . You're overdoing it, is what you're doing.

SCOTTIE: I saw it in a book. Some famous photographer lady took pictures of her mom in the hospital... ..while she was dying, and they're considered art. That's what I'm doing.

MATT: First of all, your mother is very sick, but she isn't dying. And second of all, we don't share personal stuff with strangers. What's going on with your mom is private.

SCOTTIE: I'm hungry. Can we get burgers?

MATT: No.

MATT: (Voice over) The last time I took care of Scottie by myself was when she was 3. Now she's 10, and I have no idea what to do with her.

SCOTTIE: But I wanna eat now, not in an hour.

MATT: And with Elizabeth in the hospital, she's testing me.