The Caterpie Ambush

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EXT. GRASSLAND - DAY

A Pidgeotto jets across the sky. Several Butterfree flutter upward peacefully. As one Butterfree flutters into fame, it is hit and impaled by a sharp stick and falls to the ground.

CHARMANDER

Yes! I got one! Tonight we feast!

Charmander runs to the fallen Butterfree.

SQUIRTLE

Augh, gross! I'm not eating that!

CHARMANDER

Well we have to eat something! And I'm sure as hell not eating any more of those cubes.

Squirtle holds up a pair of yellow and green Pokeblocks.

SQUIRTLE

Yeah, I don't know why that guy thought these were food. But we can't eat a Pokemon! Isn't that cannibalism or something?

CHARMANDER

Probably. The only reason I don't eat Bulbasaur is because he tastes like rotting spinach.

BULBASAUR

Hey that's not true! I'm delicious!

Bulbasaur licks one of his vines and realizes that he is, indeed, delicious.

BULBASAUR

Oooh!

Bulbaur starts chewing on his vine.

CHARMANDER

Squirtle, you need to understand something. This is the wild. If you want to survive out here, you gotta learn to get vicious.

Charmander rips one of the wings off of the Butterfree.

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SQUIRTLE

Eeuugh. Well you might not be above eating insects, but some of us have standards. Right, Bulbasaur?

Bulbasaur is putting the Butterfree wings on his head. Squirtle sighs disappointedly.

BULBASAUR

What? I think they look cool.

SOUIRTLE

Screw it. I'm gonna go look for berries or something.

Squirtle wanders off into the forest.

CHARMANDER

Suit yourself. More for us!

BULBASAUR

You think they look cool, right Charmander?

CHARMANDER

Shut up, Bulbasaur. Seriously. Every time you talk, I can feel the intelligence draining from my skull.

From a distance, a Caterpie wearing a red bandana (Sgt. Caterpie) stares vengefully at Charmander and Bulbasaur.

EXT. GRASSLAND - DUSK

Charmander and Bulbasaur are sitting around the Butterfree, which is now being cooked.

SGT. CATERPIE

Attaaaaack!

CHARMANDER

Eh?

BULBASAUR

Huh?

A horde of Caterpie ambush Charmander and Bulbasaur, surrounding and overpowering the two.

EXT. GRASSLAND - DUSK

Charmander awakens to discover that he and Bulbasaur are hanging from the trees, cocooned in Caterpie string, and surrounded by a large group of Caterpie.

BULBASAUR

Hey, you're awake!

CHARMANDER

What's going on?

SGT. CATERPIE

I've been waiting for this moment for quite some time, lizard. It's high time I got the closure I deserve.

CHARMANDER

Uh...am I supposed to know you or something?

The group of Caterpie shout obsceneties at Charmander.

SGT. CATERPIE

Perhaps this might refresh your memory.

Sgt. Caterpie pulls out the head of a dead Caterpie.

BULBASAUR

Hey! You found my hat!

SGT. CATERPIE

What!? This isn't a hat you psychopath! It's Pablo! He was my brother. And you killed him in cold blood!

CHARMANDER

Well technically it was in self defense.

A smaller caterpie adjacent to Charmander speaks up.

SMALL CATERPIE

Silence your toungue, demon! Our leader is speaking!

Charmander looks briefly at the small Caterpie before setting him on fire.

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SMALL CATERPIE

Waaaaaah!

CHARMANDER

Alright worms, here's what's gonna happen! First, you're gonna let us down. Then you're-

Several Caterpie shoot string at Charmander's mouth, muffling his voice.

BULBASAUR

Oh thank God someone finally shut him up.

SGT. CATERPIE

For too long our kind has suffered at the hands of your reckless cruelty! Justice will be served!

CATERPIES

(in unison)

Justice!

BULBASAUR

What are you gonna do to us!?

SGT. CATERPIE

The lizard demon will be killed and dismembered. Then we shall wear his body parts as accessories to attract mates.

CATERPIE 1

(excited)

I hope I get an arm!

CATERPIE 2

(excited)

I'm gonna wear his tail on my tail so I look slightly longer.

BULBASAUR

Well that actually sounds kind of neat.

SGT. CATERPIE

You will be kept alive. And our people will feast on your succulent bulb for generations to come!

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CATERPIES

(in unison)

Mmmmmmmm!

BULBASAUR

Aw man. I knew I was too delicious for my own good.

From behind a large rock, Squirtle returns, humming, and with his arms full of berries. He notices the hoard of Caterpie, drops the berries, and hides behind the rock.

SOUIRTLE

Oh crap!

SGT. CATERPIE

Tonight, the lizard dies! The time has come, brothers! Our retribution is at hand!

CATERPIE 1

Yeeeaaah!

CATERPIE 2

Revenge!

CATERPIE 3

Kill the demon!

SOUIRTLE

Well...sucks for them!

Squirtle starts to leave.

BULBASAUR

Don't worry Charmander. I'm sure Squirtle will save us.

Charmander replies with a muffled voice.

BULBASAUR

What!? He wouldn't abandon us! Plus, you're his trainer, so technically he has to protect you. It's the rule.

SQUIRTLE

Oh come on! Eh... But there are so many of them...

Squirtle notices the sharp stick on the ground and hears the voice of Charmander in his head.

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CHARMANDER (V.O.)

If you want to survive out here, you gotta learn to get vicious.

Squirtle picks up the stick.

SQUIRTLE

(Sighs)

Well, here goes nothing.

SGT. CATERPIE

Lower the lizard. We'll start with his head.

Squirtle charges into battle, stick in hand, running as fast as he can.

SOUIRTLE

Aaaaaaaaaah!

SGT. CATERPIE

Huh?

Suddenly, Squirtle trips over a rock.

SOUIRTLE

Wooaah- Waaaaaah!

Squirtle's momentum is conserved and he starts to spin. He retracts into his shell and continues to hurl towards the Caterpies.

SGT. CATERPIE

Aaah!

The Caterpie are taken out one by one as they are hit by the shell. At one point, the shell hits one of the trees, knocking Charmander and Bulbasaur down.

BULBASAUR

Wah!

Charmander stands up and rips the string off of his face. He stares menacingly at Sgt. Caterpie.

SGT. CATERPIE

Uh oh.

Charmander unleashes a giant burst of flames. The Caterpie run away, screaming, and on fire. Charmander leaps on one of them and bites its head.

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SGT. CATERPIE

Retreeeaaat!

The Caterpie clear the area. As Charmander gets up, Bulbasaur walks towards him.

BULBASAUR

Whew! That was a close one, huh?

CHARMANDER

This is perfect! We have enemies now!

BULBASAUR

What!?

CHARMANDER

That means they'll want to fight us! And when we win, we'll get more XP!

BULBASAUR

Well yeah, but what if-

CHARMANDER

Squirtle!

Squirtle is under a tree, dizzy and struggling to get up.

SOUIRTLE

Ooouuugh...

CHARMANDER

Squirtle, that was amazing!

SQUIRTLE

Huh?

CHARMANDER

You took out so many of them at once! That shell move is perfect! Keep that up and we'll be evolving in no time!

SQUIRTLE

(cocky)

Huh, yeah, I was pretty amazing,
wasn't I?

CHARMANDER

Let's do it again!

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SQUIRTLE

Well, I might be able to- wahh!

Charmander picks up Squirtle and throws him.

SQUIRTLE

Aaaaaahh!

CHARMANDER

Awesome!

Charmander runs to retrieve Squirtle. Bulbasaur stops to pick up and put on the Caterpie hat before continuing after them. From a distance, Sgt. Caterpie watches them leave.

SGT. CATERPIE

(to himself)

You may have won this time, lizard. But I swear on my life. One day, I will have my revenge!

A Pidgeotto swoops down and grabs Sgt. Caterpie.

SGT. CATERPIE Aaaaaaaaaaaahhhhhhh!