TIC TIC TIC

A Comedic Short

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## Cast of Characters

TIC 1: FEARFUL: Any age/gender.

TIC 2: SNARKY: Any age/gender.

TIC 3: FEARLESS: Any age/gender.

Setting: A grassy Field.

Time: Dusk.

TIC 3

Are we ready?

TIC 2

Ready to feast on the beast.

TIC 1

Um, can we talk about this?

TIC 3

Nothing to talk about. This is our destiny.

TIC 1

I don't wanna.

TIC 2

You pathetic little nymph.

TIC 1

Hey. That's not very nice. You hurt my feelings.

You hurt his feelings.

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Don't care. I'm starving! Let's do this!

TIC 2

Here it comes!

TIC 3

Get ready to jump.

TIC 2

Ready. Set-

TIC 3

Abort. Abort!

TIC 1

Whew. That was close.

TIC 2

I though for sure we had a happy meal heading our way.

TIC 3

You've got to wait. Wait, until you can feel their breath.

TIC 2

Or the earth vibrate. Then...

TIC 3 Jump! TIC 1 I can't. I can't do it. TIC 2 You must. TIC 1 You go. I'll watch. TIC 3 Who's ready for a blood meal? TIC 1 Does it have to be blood? TIC 2 Yes. TIC 3 Unless of course, you don't want to advance. Advance? Geez. We've been through this a hundred times. TIC 3 Egg. Six-leg larva. TIC 2 Eight legged nymph. TIC 3 Adult. TIC 1 It just seems so barbaric. TIC 3 Duh. TIC 2 Shh! Shh! It's coming. Feel those vibes? TIC 3 (Inhales deeply) Intoxicating. Pure bliss. TIC 1 Smells kind of musty.

TIC 3

Ready?

TIC 2

Ready!

TIC 1

You guys go. I'll watch.

TIC 2

Now what?

TIC 3

A leg's not good enough for you?

TIC 1

It's hairy.

TIC 3

Of course it's hairy. It's a leg.

TIC 2

What? You expecting some kinda fillet?

TIC 1

No. Just something a little less, disgusting.

TIC 2

Look, we're tics. Blood sucking tics.

TIC 3

The only way to advance to adulthood is to find a host and gorge ourselves in a blood meal.

TIC 1

(Makes gaging expressions) I can't. I just can't.

TIC 3

Suite yourself.

TIC 2

So, that's it? You're gonna give up? Just drop into the weeds, shrivel up and die of VTS?

TIC 1

VTS?

TIC 2

Virgin Tic Syndrome. You don't jump with us onto the next hairy legs that passes by, you'll starve, then die of VTS.

TIC 3

Never knowing the pleasure of a belly full of warm blood and ecstasy of impregnating a leggy female, thus ensuring the longevity of our species.

TIC 1

Golly. When you put it like that.

TIC 3

Okay, here comes another one. You ready?

TIC 2

Ready as a stinkbug on a peach.

TIC 1

I can do this. I can do this. I can do this.

TIC 3

One. Two. Three.

TIC 2

Jump!

Lights out for a few seconds while TIC 2 and TIC 3 exit. Lights back up on TIC 1

TIC 1

I can't. (Gagging) Just too hairy.

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