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(INT. – TALK SHOW)

(We have a stereotypical talk show host at the desk as intro music fades.)

HOST:

Welcome to this edition of “It’s Not Easy” the show that takes and in depth look at people or groups in our society with difficult and unusual jobs and life styles. Tonight we’re looking at horrific, undead, flesh eaters. Welcome to Zach the zombie.

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(Recorded applause as we see Zach, pale, bloody, and horrid zombie at the desk.)

HOST:

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Welcome to the show, Zack.

ZACK:

Thank you.

HOST:

Now, I image you get poked about that all the time.

ZACK:

About what?

HOST:

Well, being a zombie named Zach. I suppose people make fun of you a lot.

ZACK:

Not really. It’s never come up before.

HOST:

Of course. Well, Zach, how long have you been a zombie.

ZACK:

It’ll be four months next Wednesday.

HOST:

When did you realize you were a zombie?

ZACK:

Well, it was actually very quick, we'd been on the run from the mob for some time and then, one day, we take a wrong turn down a dead end alley and that was it.

HOST:

I'm sure the term dead end has never been used so appropriately. Then what happened?

ZACK:

Well, I woke up some time later, a bit confused, and stumbled around a while not sure what was going on. After a few hours I figured out just what had happened.

HOST:

Had you previously thought about being a zombie?

ZACK:

It was something I had to think about, yes, being on the run for so long.

HOST:

Did it take you time to adjust?

ZACK:

Well, I worked my way through the stages of grief, of course. Denial, bargaining, etc, but by the end of the first day I got hungry and that was it. There was no doubt. It's harder for some to adapt. Deeply religious people have difficulty admitting being a zombie, pacifists have problems, and, of course, vegetarians.

HOST:

Which brings us to the subject of brains. What do human brains taste like?

ZACK:

A lot like chicken.

HOST:

Are some brains more edible than others?

ZACK:

Well, they are all edible as is and they have the same texture and tenderness. It's just that there are some brains the leave an aftertaste.

HOST:

Aftertaste?

ZACK:

French people, for instance, have a bad taste to them. Drug addicts, meth users and alcoholics also have a tangy flavor to them. There are also brains that can get stale from lack of use. Business leaders, certain politicians, and Fox News commentators.

HOST:

Are there any that taste better?

ZACK:

Geniuses and creative people, of course, cause they get used a lot. The British have a nice fruity taste to them and homosexuals.

HOST:

Homosexuals?

ZACK:

Yes, the more mentally active and open minded the person is the fresher the brain.

HOST:

What is the most misunderstood part of zombie culture.

ZACK:

Well, a lot of people assume that because we eat brains we don't have brains but we do.

HOST:

You do.

ZACK:

Yes, we have some very advanced brains in some cases. There have even been attempts, in certain circles, to set up some form of higher education.

HOST:

Zombie U?

ZACK:

Yes.

HOST:

Are there interpersonal relationships between zombies.

ZACK:

Well, yes, which is another mistake live people make about zombies. Just because we eat brains it doesn't mean that we don't have hearts or other natural desires.

HOST:

Desires?

ZACK:

Yes.

HOST:

Well, Zack, I must ask. Do zombies have sex?

ZACK:

It does happen, if the mood and place are right, that we do have sex.

HOST:

Are there zombie babies?

ZACK:

It does happen if you don't use proper protection. Which does create another conundrum as we occasionally produce bright and fresh off spring.

HOST:

What happens then?

ZACK:

We usually eat them

HOST:

AH! Well, ahem, we seem to have run out of time for this week but I'd like to thank Zach for being with us tonight. Next week its bloodsucking creatures trapped in eternal night. "It's Not Easy Being a Vampire" with our special guest Dick Chaney. Thank you very much. Good Night.