

NOT A BUICK

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EXT. MOVIE SET, SUBURBS-DAY

The DIRECTOR stands at the circular driveway of a suburban house. She is harried and stressed; she's been working hard. She talks to the FIRST AD.

DIRECTOR

Ok, we gotta really nail this next scene--it makes the whole movie. We need viewers to relate to this awkward teenage kid trying to find his way.

(yelling to the set)

Ok, let's bring in the Buick!

A Buick winds through backcountry roads. It's the only car around for miles, and it's whipping around corners and hugging the road. That Buick commercial music starts playing.

VO

Luxurious. Sleek. Powerful. The 2017 Buick Lacrosse is so stunning-

The Buick pulls into the driveway and comes to a stop right in front of the director.

DIRECTOR

This isn't a fucking Buick.

VO

-no one'll believe it's a Buick.

A PA walks up to the DIRECTOR, terrified.

DIRECTOR

This scene is supposed to be about a teenager being embarrassed to drive his grandpa's car!

VO

It's not your grandpa's car.

PA

Yeah, but--technically it is..a Buick...

The DIRECTOR is frantically pacing around the car, examining it.

VO
Its smooth lines will turn heads.

DIRECTOR
(screaming)
Where are the right angles?

VO
The smaller profile gives you a
smooth ride.

The DIRECTOR is laying across the hood of the car on her back. Her legs are draping off the side.

DIRECTOR
This car should be twice the length
of my body!

The DIRECTOR opens the car door, gets in and slams it shut. The window is open and the PA remains outside.

DIRECTOR
It smells like a fucking Cole Haan
store in here!

VO
Optional leather seats give it a
touch of elegance.

DIRECTOR
Did you honestly think this car
would work for this scene?

PA
Um, I--

DIRECTOR
How long has it been since you were
a teenager, seven minutes?

PA
(mumbling)
I'm 26.

DIRECTOR
Do you honestly think a teenager
driving this thing would look
awkward?

The PA opens the car door and pokes his head in. The DIRECTOR turns the car on. The engine turns over, but very quietly.

DIRECTOR

What--

The DIRECTOR turns the car off and back on again, with the same result.

DIRECTOR

Why isn't--

PA

Umm--

VO

The hybrid engine is fuel-efficient and--

DIRECTOR

This car is a fucking *hybrid*??

PA

Oh boy.

Wide shot of the PA slamming the door shut and running out of frame. We stay on this beauty shot of the car, with the DIRECTOR having a temper tantrum inside it.

DIRECTOR

What kind of fucking grandpa has a fucking hybrid car?

VO

The 2017 Buick Lacrosse.

DIRECTOR

My grandpa thought electricity was for pussies! He powered his electronics with coal!

VO

It's modern.

DIRECTOR

(yelling out the window)
I should be sweating from the effort of opening this!

VO

It's comfortable.

DIRECTOR

There should be a metal spring up my ass right now!

VO

The 2017 Buick Lacrosse. The best thing about it is that it seriously looks nothing like a Buick.