

EATING MONSTER MACHINE

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BILL gives off a disgusted look to his friend JOEL who eats his food head down.

BILL
Don't you know how to eat a donut
without being such an animal?

JOEL
This is how I like to eat...what?

BILL
You nauseate me. This is why we
don't go out to eat too often
because you're such a slob.

JOEL
You're really mean.

BILL
Just eat the donut, you don't need
to suck every finger on your hand.
Do that in the privacy of your own
home.

JOEL
I wasn't sucking my fingers, I was
licking my fingers.

BILL
Licking your fingers? You call
that licking?

JOEL
How do you lick?

BILL
I don't lick.

JOEL
Don't say that too loud.

BILL
Stop acting weird.

JOEL
I'm not.

BILL
Never in my life.

JOEL
Take it easy, I was enjoying my
donut. I got into it.

BILL
Yeah? You got into it? Do you
have to moan and make slurpy
sounds too?

JOEL
I didn't make no slurpy sounds.

BILL
Yes you did. (imitates him) Hmmm,
arrrmmnn, mmmmmm. Like you've
never eaten food before.

JOEL
This is how I eat. What can I
say?

BILL
Is your whole family like that
though? Do you all eat like that?
Seriously, I want to know.

JOEL
You've been to my house, you tell
me.

BILL
No. It's just you.

JOEL
So what? This is how I like to
eat my food. The way I eat is
what makes it so enjoyable. It's
my own way.

BILL
So, you're telling me that you
can't eat a single meal without
making noises, slurping and
licking your fingers?

JOEL
I don't know. I wasn't even aware
of it until now.

BILL
Hold on...here...eat my donut. I
didn't touch it yet. And I
challenge you to eat it without
making a noise and no finger
licking aloud. Do you think you
can do that?

JOEL
Yeah.

BILL

Do it then. The whole donut. No noise.

JOEL

Well I'm gonna make a noise when I chew.

BILL

No noise. Like normal people. With your mouth closed. I want you to eat that donut completely silent and I want to see.

JOEL

See what?

BILL

Call it a science experiment. I want to see something.

JOEL

You're not going to tell me what it is you're seeing?

BILL

Will you eat the donut?

JOEL

...It's uncomfortable with you staring at me like that. You don't have to be so serious, it's a freaking donut.

BILL

Just eat the donut.

Joel hesitates again.

JOEL

I can't.

BILL

Why not?

JOEL

The way you're looking at me. It's making me self-conscious.

BILL

Are you serious?

JOEL

Yeah. Look the other way or else I can't do it.

BILL
Can't do what, make noises?

JOEL
Can't eat the freaking donut.

BILL
Pain in the ass you are....here,
that better?!

Bill looks away.

JOEL
Just stay like that now and I
think I can do it.

BILL
You think?

JOEL
I'll do it. Just stay like that.

BILL
Fat bastard you are, hurry up.

JOEL
Stop it.

BILL
Bite the donut!

JOEL
Stop talking and I'll do it. Keep
breaking my concentration.

BILL
I'm gonna get a stiff neck by the
time you do it.

JOEL
Shhhh. (whispering) I'm taking my
first bite....silently.

Joel takes a bite of the donut, then another and then
another and he chews quietly but then he finally lets out a
"AAAAAMMMMMMM".

BILL
You see you son of a bitch?! I
told you, you couldn't do it.

JOEL
I cleared my throat, I cleared my
throat!

BILL
No, you didn't. Liar! You made
that sound you always make. I
heard it loud and clear.

JOEL
Alright, FINE, so what?! Can't a
man enjoy eating his food the way
he wishes to eat it?

BILL
Yes.

JOEL
So why'd you put me through all of
this?

BILL
I wanted to break your balls. It's
what I do.

JOEL
All for nothing?

BILL
Yeah, I don't care. I'm actually
used to it. I expect you to eat
like a billygoat. In fact, if you
actually ate quietly, I'd think
there was something wrong with
you.

JOEL
Thanks. Now I want to eat quietly
just to piss you off.

BILL
Impossible. You just tried.

JOEL
Fifty bucks says I can do it.

BILL
You couldn't do it for a hundred
you fat slob.

JOEL
No really. I'll prove to you I
can eat like a real gentleman.

BILL
It's too late. It's who you are.
You can't control it. You can't
stop it. You've trained yourself
to be this eating monster machine.

JOEL
I can control it, I swear.

BILL
I'll make a bet with you but it
can't be over a donut.

JOEL
What then?

BILL
Soup.

JOEL
Soup? Where we gonna get soup?

BILL
We'll take a ride to the diner.
We'll pick up some soup. If you
slurp one single time, that's it,
you lost a hundred bucks. Deal?

JOEL
Everybody slurps their soup
though.

BILL
That's the challenge. You either
accept it or pass.

JOEL
Soup...alright, alright I'll take
your stupid bet.

BILL
You got that hundred ready for me?
You might as well give it to me
now because there's no way you
won't slurp your soup. No way!
Last chance. I'll give you one
last chance, you sure you want to
take the bet, cause you don't have
to?

JOEL
I'm going to prove your dumb
smiling face wrong.

BILL
Okay, let's go to the diner.

JOEL
Let's go.