WORST CASE SCENARIO

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EXT. --GROCERY STORE-- DAY

ERIC, an average looking middle-aged white male arrives at work in a car. He parks his car and gets out.

Eric closes the car door and his shirt gets caught. Struggling, Eric forces the shirt off the car tearing it and bumping into the car next to him which causes its alarm to go off.

Then, an attractive woman walks by and laughs at Eric because she saw everything happen.

Immediately afterwards, Eric realizes that he was just imagining the whole situation and the beautiful woman that was laughing at him walks by not noticing her.

After snapping back to reality, Eric reluctantly walks into the grocery store.

INT. --GROCERY STORE DELI--

ERIC, standing behind the deli counter appears bored and uninterested in his job. Eric has his gaze fixed on a yellow “caution slippery floor” sign in front of him.

The same woman from the parking lot walks into the spill on the floor and falls.

Eric continues staring, under the impression that he imagined her slipping but quickly realizes that the woman actually did fall.

Feeling embarrassed for staring, Eric runs out in front of the counter and helps the woman.

As Eric helps the woman up they make eye contact and the woman notices Eric for the first time and she smiles at Eric.

After getting back up, the woman walks up to the deli counter and another employee approaches her to assist her. Eric, being interested in the woman, runs behind the counter and pushes the other employee out of the way.

Confused, the other worker leaves and Eric helps the woman with getting some deli meat.

Eric, nervous that he is assisting the woman becomes overly excited and accidentally cuts off the tip of his finger with the meat slicer.
Eric comes back to reality and realizes he was just staring at the meat slicer. Embarrassed, he awkwardly hands the woman the bag of meat and the woman laughs.

INT. --GROCERY STORE AISLE--

ERIC is stocking groceries in the middle of an aisle harping on himself about how he acted like a fool in front of the woman as the woman walks past him and grabs something off of the shelf right next to Eric.

WOMAN
So...are you busy this Friday?

Eric is taken by surprise that the woman just asked if he was free.

I/E. -MONTAGE-

A quick montage of the development of ERIC and the woman’s relationship is shown.

The couple is shown having their first date and then their marriage.

Eric is shown with crying triplets and the woman yelling at him.

A mortgage bill is shown past due.

Eric is alone in an alley crying and living in a shack as it is raining.

INT. --GROCERY STORE AISLE--

ERIC comes back to reality.

WOMAN
So I’ll see you on Friday then.

Eric, confused, agrees and the woman walks away smiling.