## fallout seattle

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Camera opens from the musky polluted sky and descends upon a run down neighborhood and switches to a profile view of one of the wrecked houses with half the roof missing.

a radio broadcast can be heard from with in the house

## Radio

Welcome back to your favorite radio station because it's the only station baby. If you don't have a calendar on you, today is the 12th of August 2287. As per usual I got a few things to say before I let you go. We got word coming in from up north, it has just received its first snowfall of the season. I personally don't recommend touching, or condon the ingesting of the snow unless you want one hell of a trip. Next we got news that apparently some kid got bit by... something I don't know, but the next thing we have for you is a big one. Down in the city the word is that some kind of vault has just been uncovered. We have no other information on this rumor at the time. It is advised that any adventure seekers do take precaution when entering the city. and finally I'd like to thank my sponsors of this broadcast for keeping it running, thank you to nord vp...

Howard

Yo, did you hear the radio?

Todd

Yeah, we'll probably leave here soon.

What do you think is in it? you think it's cash, gold, guns, drugs or something else.

Todd

What?

Howard

The vault! What do you think is in it?

Todd

(disappointing look on his face)
Dude, why do you care so much
about a vault? I was talking
about leaving because we can't
live here all of winter.

Howard

You don't get it, we could buy the supplies needed to get to Hawaii and leave the wasteland behind.

with another disappointing sigh

Todd

You really believe that Hawaii is real? You really think a paradise like that really exists? Come on it was just another scam the government made.

Howard

Whatever, your just jealous I saw it from shore

Todd

Ok sure, You saw Hawaii, but we really do need to leave soon.

Howard

Watch when we get to the vault and open it, I'll prove to you that everything I've ever said was true.

Todd

If we get that far.

Howard

Trust me we will, have faith

## EXT. Run Down House- Sunrise

Todd

Look, I had only planned to go south *just* enough to avoid the snow and the cold.

Howard

We can practically see the skylines from here. Why would you not want to see what it's all about? We can finally go to the city, are you not bored of just walking through fields and small neighborhoods all your life.

Todd

I plan on doing it the rest of my life because haven't you ever heard the weird radio guy talk about the inner city gangs and raiders shoot outs? We would get shot on site instantly if we went.

Howard

As long as we stay out of the heart of the city we should be fine. I've heard from traveling merchants that the outer parts of the city are the safest parts. Also I found something that could help us if we run into trouble down there

Howard precedes to pull out a .357 revolver out of his fanny pack that reads "I heart Seattle"

Howard

I found this in a broken safe in one of the houses we searched a week ago.

Todd

Why didn't you tell me you found a gun?!

Howard

Because it's mine, and I know you wouldn't want me to have it.

Todd

Yeah! No shit, if someone sees that we'll be dead.

DboT

Do you even know how to use it?

Howard

I mean... I think you just... kinda... like pull this thing (as he signals to hammer of gun)

Todd

(Todd lets out a big sigh)
Well... you found the gun I can't
take it from you. Just don't
start waving it around when you
feel like it.

Howard

Well I was just saying that, we could use it to scare people if we run into trouble in the city.

bboT

I don't think it would be their first time seeing one in the city. For now let's just go south enough to avoid the snow and we'll figure out the rest on the walk down there. So grab everything you need for the time

being because we'll stop at the border shop as we enter America.

6 hours after their departure the time is 1:00pm

EXT. "The American Dream Boarder Shop"- DAY

Store clerk
Ay, if you need help just give
me a howler.

Todd

(Todd gives a welcoming nod) Will do.

Todd and Howard look through every aisle in search of food and water. Each aisle looks to be ransacked with only empty boxes of food, water and random junk. Towards the counter radio static can be heard and the sound of a voice is cutting in and out,

Howard (Hits the radio with a fist) Damn thing

Radio (In a music tone)

In this town there lived an outlaw by the man of Texas Red Many men had tried to take him and many men were dead. Haha just kidding, it's me did I fool ya, probably, well you're most likely thinking why am I on air earlier than usual. Well that's because we just got more major news regarding the vault. We've just received word from a

raid-... well it does matter who it's from but I've just been told that the vault has been found and it's near the Space Needle. It is said that any one who goes to the place will be enlightened by what they see. That is all I have for you as of now.

The radio then cuts back to the usual broadcast of songs.

Store clerk

What do you guys think about the vault? Any predictions of what's in it?

Howard

I think that it's gold, lots of gold.

Store clerk

I personally believe that it's not actually real but, either way is good for business well "was" good until not too long ago.

Todd

Yeah what happened?

Store clerk

Group of raiders came in, took what they wanted and left what they didn't want. Just your casual group of low life raiders.

Todd

Did they leave any bits of food or water?

Store clerk

Only food and water I have is 3 bottles of boiled water and one pack of salmon cat food.

How much for all of that?

Store clerk (Scratching the side of his face as he thinks of a number) How about 300 caps?

Todd

We don't carry caps, we're junkers we can trade in exchange for the food and water.

Store clerk What do you have that could be of value to me?

bboT

I have a toaster with the springs in it still and some scrap metal.

Store clerk
Hmmm, no deal, how about you?

Howard Well I've got a-

Todd

No he doesn't have anything

Store clerk
Then it looks like you go
hungry. Unless you have anything
you're hiding. You know you need
food to survive right.

Todd

Yeah, we know

EXT. Crumpled Road- 2:00 p.m.

Howard

I could have gotten us the supplies you know.

Todd

We're not trading the gun.

Earlier you didn't want me to have it, now you do?

Todd

Yeah, I don't want you to trade a gun for overpriced food.

Howard

We will need something by tonight.

EXT. Crumpled Road - 3:00 p.m.

They are coming up a on a large metal sign that used to read welcome to america, now reads " " carved into the stone by bullets

Todd

Let's keep moving

EXT. Crumpled Road- 4:30

In the distance they see a large rock in the middle of the road as they get closer they see what looks to be a dead merchant and his pack mule

Todd

(Quietly)

Stay here

Howard

But, I'm the one with the gun, what are you going to do? Shot someone with finger guns?

bboT

Just keep your eyes open for anything unusual

Howard

How would I know what is unusual? I've never been out here.

Would you just shut the fuck up smart ass.

Howard

Huh?

(Quietly to himself)
Smart... Ass... What does that even mean? Smart... Ass...?

They are now right up to the body and the mule. There is still some visible food and other aid like items on merchant and the surrounding area.

Howard

What do you think happened

Todd

I don't know, it could be anything but, Probably the same group of raiders that hit the shop earlier.

Howard

Think it's safe to look around.

Todd

Yeah, they just left what they didn't want like at the shop. See if you can find anything useful

Howard is looking around the surrounding area and notices lots of random junk that is no use to him, he sees gas cans, tin cans, books, but one thing catches his eye, a plastic doll.

Howard

(surprised and scared look to his face)
Todd look at this

Howard shows Todd a baby doll with a bullet hole through the head

Todd

Why would you pick that up, let alone show me?!

I don't know... I just saw it and...

Todd

You weren't supposed to answer it. Just keep looking. Let me know if you find anything actually important. If not I got us just enough food to get by for now.

Howard

What did you get?

Todd

4 bottles of boiled water and 3 cans of cram.

Howard

Oh, I was able to find these (holds out empty bullet shells)

Todd

Those are empty. How are you going to use those

Howard

Oh,... how do I make them not empty?

Todd

You don't, they're empty. So I would leave them. We need to hurry up, it is starting to get dark.

EXT. SPILT ROAD- 7:00

The road up ahead splits off into two roads Seattle and Monroe.

Todd

(Looks at Howard)
Let's just get to our shelter,
because who knows how long it
will take to find and get into
the vault. We'd end up freezing
to death.

Yeah, but after winter I'm gonna go to the vault.

Todd

We just saw a dead merchant back in Bellingham what makes you think you have a better survivability than what he did.

Howard

I'll probably find a group with the same goals while I'm down there.

Todd

You're willing to put your survival on a chance that you will find a group, let alone a friendly group that won't backstab you when given the opportunity.

Howard

You can't expect me to do everything you do like your shadow.

Todd

I'm just looking out for you. The wastelands a big place, you often don't find good people out there. But if you want to go into the city after the winter then I can't stop you.

EXT. ROAD to Monroe - 8:00

In the distance a faint small green light can be seen illuminating on ground. As they get closer and closer to light a dark shape of a body can be made out, by the time Todd and Howard are closer enough to make out the letters on the bodies shirt it reads "Vault 6" as they inspect the body the source of the green light was coming from a strange watch like object on his wrist with the words "Pit Boy 3000".

Todd (Very distraught)

I.. I thought the vault was like something... not... not this... this.

Howard

What does this mean? And what's a Pit Boy?

Todd

(Still Distraught)
I don't know... it looks like... I
don't actually I've never seen
anything like this.

Howard

Well it's got to be for something

Todd

(Still Distraught)
Yeah, probably

Howard

You ok? You look like you just saw a dead... ah, I mean you look...

Todd

THIS GUY IS DEAD?, why!

Howard

He was just unlucky I guess.

Todd

No... we're so far from civilization how would he just get unlucky while walking out here.

Howard

Was he shot or stabbed or something?

Todd

I don't know, I don't want to do any of this.

Howard

If we do something about it, maybe it could help us out here.

Todd

If he didn't stand a chance what makes you think we do.

Howard

Look at him, his skin, his hair, his... shirt? It's all perfect, I don't think he's been out here very long. I think wherever he's from they are safe and don't need to go out in the wasteland.

Todd

If they didn't need to go out in the wasteland then why is he here?!

Howard

I don't know... look I know you don't like the idea of the vault but, this has just changed everything. Everyone is looking in the city for the vault but this guy is out here away from the city. And he was a guy, everyone thought that it was money or something. Why don't we take advantage of our moment here.

Todd

It just doesn't seem right the vault was supposed to be in the city, this... guy just out here by himself.

Howard

We've never seen anything like this,

(Howards eyes light up upon a though he gets)

What if we could stay where this guy did and not have to worry about the wasteland.

Yes, that is true but, why is *THIS* guy out here, and why would he leave.

Howard

You already asked me that I don't know but, maybe we can find out if we look at what he has on him, maybe find where he came from, or a name.

Camera cuts to Todd thinking about the options he has. He looks down at the cracked and damaged road looking slightly left to right thinking. He looks up at Howard.

Todd

(Todd lets out a big sigh)
Fine, you can investigate the
guy, but if the vault, shelter,
his friends or family are in the
city, we will not go. It's too
dangerous.

Howard

(His eyes light up with unbelief)
Wait... really... you're ok with us doing this its not one of your dumb test?

bboT

Yeah, as long as it doesn't slow us down I'm ok with it.

Howard

This guy will lead us out of the wasteland I'm telling you.

Howard grabs hold of the man's left shoulder and pulls him on to him back to get a full view. He is dressed in an all blue jumpsuit with yellow stitching following up to the chest to the neck then splitting off on to the collar. On his left wrist is a strange object called a pit boy, they appear to have different generations because this one is labeled

Pit Boy 3000 signifying that there were other types in existence. This pit boy appears to have a screen illuminated by a green glow. The object also has multiple dials on top. On the screen it appears as a map of the entire Pacific Northwest, but only a few icons appear to be present on the map.

Todd

So, who is this guy?

Howard

I don't there's no name but this thing says it's a "Pip- Boy" . Any clue what that is?

Todd

Never heard of anything like it, but what's on it.

Howard

I don't right now it's like a map of the whole area.

Todd

What do you mean the whole area?

Howard

I mean the whole area of Washington and Vancouver

Todd

What, How does it have a map of the entire area?

Howard

Well it looks barely complete, there's just 3 little icons on it and they are all along this road. One's "Miguel's Auto Shop", then there's a "Bush's warehouse...

Todd

Wait, that's where we are going let me see that.

Howard

The last is Vault.

Todd reaches out grabbing the pip- boy out of Howard's hands, there is a slight struggle and Todd in the midst of grabbing it pressed on one of the buttons. Muffled voices can be heard in an audio clip that was previously recorded. The Voices are heard having fun and playing games then it ends abruptly.

Howard

You broke it.

Todd

No I didn't break it, it's just an old recording.

Howard

Yeah because jammed your fingers all over it, Breaking it.

Todd

How did you get to the map?

Howard

I didn't know it was already on it. If you would have waited I was going to show you. (now mocking Todd) But no, I'm Todd and I know what's best for everyone

Todd

It's not broken, it's just on something else right now.

Todd examines the pip- Boy looking at the different dials looking for it to blatantly say "Map" but all the dails are blank to his surprise.

Howard

You want to try?

Todd then hands over the pip-boy. Howard then proceeds to slowly click once to the right the map shows up on the display screen.

Here's your map

Todd

Sorry about that I just... it was a alot to take in with this guy knowing about the Warehouse.

Howard

Why did you choose Buse's warehouses? And why does it matter who knows it

Todd

I don't know the guy's intentions, It's like not knowing a stranger knows where you live.

Howard

Well he doesn't have anything harmful with him... so I think we'll be safe.

Todd

The warehouse is only 8 miles away. Let's get going.

EXT. Crumpled Road. 8: 30pm

Camera cuts to an overhead shot showing just how bare the surroundings are, there is nothing but them, the road, and small bushes starting to take to the side of the road.

Todd

Hey, we're coming up on...
Miguel's... Auto Shop, maybe we
could salvage some stuff there
and get more food and water
tomorrow.

Howard

Sounds like a plan to me, I'm running low on stuff right now.

Todd

Let's do a little look by as we pass it to scout out the area.

EXT. Miguel's Auto Shop - 8:45

As the two close to the shop they can see a light coming from inside the rundown shop and what sounds to be someone growing and a fait radio in the background is playing a song.

Howard

I think someone or something beat us to it.

Todd

No, I think they live there because they're not quite like like junkers

Howard

You think someone really lives in a scrap yard

Todd

We lived in a house without a roof.

Howard

Yeah, but it was still a house

As they creep closer and closer Howard steps on a small stick a crack can be heard.

Howard

You blew our cover, great

Howard starts to reach into his fanny pack.

Todd

Get down.

The two are now right next to each other behind a fallen log. Both lying on the cold wet mud on the property.

He comes close, I'm gonna start blastin.

Todd

What? What do you mean start blastin

Todd shimmies himself over to look at Howard also while trying to not be seen.

Todd

What are you thinking we don't know the guy, and if you miss you and me both will be dead

A human figure can be seen standing in the open garage area. Being lit from behind we can not see any features on the person, only a black silhouette.

Voice

You know I heard you right, the both of you, ... and a zipper?

Todd

(To Howard)

Don't shoot, he hasn't shown any signs of being a raider.

Howard

He knows we're here.

Voice

I have dynamite!

Todd

Wait! Im here, we were just heading up the road to get to the warehouse

Voice

Oh, why do you want to go there? That place was overrun a week ago.

Todd

Huh, no I was told by a wandering merchant that it was one of their safe out posts.

Voice

My voice hurts, come in.

Todd

What?

The black silhouetted person then returns back into the garage. There are pieces of metal missing from the walls and there are bullet holes making it easy to see the figure sit down with his back turned to Todd and Howard by a fire inside.

Howard

So what now?

Todd

I don't know, I can still see him, he's sitting down in there.

Howard

He seems nice

Todd

(Confused)

Not a minute ago you wanted to have a shoot out with him now you want to be his friend?

Howard puts the gun back into his fanny pack and zips it back up. Howard starts walking to the opening of the garage and Todd follows closely. As they get to the corner of the garage they can see the side of the figure.

Howard

Woah! (Steps back as if ready to shot)

Todd

Your a ghoul,

Voice

Yes, that's one of the nicer names I've heard but yep i'm one of them.

Todd

How are you not feral?

Voice

I don't know, guess you can call me one of the "lucky" ones.

Todd

Sooo, you live here then?

Voice

You could say that if you wanted to.

Howard

Who are you?

Voice

I'm Raul, despite that my shirt saying "Miguel", picked it up way down south from a Poseidon energy plant.

Todd

So what is this place?

Raul

Oh, this is my little shop where I work and tinker on things.

Todd

What do you work on?

Raul

You name it, Guns, Armor, technology, Haven't had good luck with radio towers though.

Todd

What do you mean radio towers?

Raul

Oh, just a little incident that happened down by New Vegas, but that was years ago.

You've been to New Vegas! How was it?

Raul

I'm from Mexico City amego, so I've been just about every south of here.

Howard

How was New Vegas though I heard it's fun with robots.

Raul

Yep, some of the most souless things to walk the wasteland. (Raul looks back up at Todd and Howard)
How about you? Where do you come

How about you? Where do you come from?

bboT

We are from up north about 100 miles from here in vancouver.

Raul

Anything interesting up there?

Todd

Nothing but your classic wasteland.

Howard

We found a weird dead body.

Raul

Yeah, I seen some wild stuff in the wasteland too.

Howard

No, this guy was wearing a blue jumpsuit with a number on his back.

Raul

Oh, a Vault dweller, wow I thought they all died off by now its been over 200 years.

Howard

A what?

Raul

The guy you found, he was wearing a blue jumpsuit, and had a pip-boy with him right?

Howard

How do you know?

Raul

I've seem many vault dwellers in my journey amigo. Some very notable others not so much.

Todd

You knew some?

Raul

Yeah, well actually the notable one only had a pip- boy I don't think he was from a vault. I think he said, some old doctor gave it to him after being shot in the head. Pretty wild story he told me.

Howard

How did he live after being shot in the head?

Raul

Wastelands a wild place. I've survived my fair share of shot outs and made a name for myself while doing it too.

Howard

You've been in a shootout before?

Raul

Yep, back in Tucson or you may know it as two-son, I was in a shootout with 5 to 1 odds took them all out taking a few bullets myself. I would have died I think, if I wasn't so full of rage.

Todd

(with a concerning look) Ah... you ok there raul....

Raul

Yeah, those days are behind me now I'm a new man now

Howard

Sooo you fix things right? What can you tell me about think

Howard then proceeds to reach into his fanny pack and pulls out the .357 revolver.

Howard

What can you tell me about this?

Raul

What do you mean it's a .357 revolver, one of the best gunsling guns out there. I still have mine, gifted from the guy in New Vegas

Raul pulls from his holster A white painted .357 revolver with a clover on the handle and "Lucky" written on the side.

Raul

I could always count on this thing to get my old bones out of a sticky situation, that I most likely put myself into.

Howard

Wow... I mean I already knew it was a good gun that's why I grabbed it.

Raul

You do know yours is empty right you can't see a bullet in the cylinder.

Howard

Oh, do you have any I could use.

Raul

I have a round of six you can have, just don't use them all on one guy.

Todd

We really should be leaving. We need to get to the warehouse.

Raul

You get kicked in the head boss? That place was overrun by ferals, remember? But you're more than welcome to stay the night here just don't take anything I'm working on multiple projects right now.

Raul

So where are you guys headed now?

Todd

I don't know well probably wonder a bit but were scavengers so we're good at that

Howard

We could go to the vault. It's just the road a few miles.

Raul

I would never go to another vault, those places are sick and twisted.

Howard

Wait hold on hold on, You've been to a vault?

Raul

I've been just about everywhere
I stay away from vaults

Howard

How are they twisted?
Raul

They are always testing something sinister in those damned things.

Howard

Are they safe though?

Raul

If you can find a way to get in it's the safest place to be if it's empty.

Todd

And if they're still in it?

Raul

Start running the way you came.

EXT. Side Dirt Path - Morning

Todd and Howard have left Miguel's Auto Shop and are now headed toward the vault to see it and decide what they plan to do.

Howard

I don't get it?! It should be right here?

Todd

Settle down it's probably hidden.

The area they are searching is to the side of a cliff face with lots of half way dead trees trees and bushes obscuring the view. They look around the area for a few minutes to no avail. They then turn to the other sides of the cliff and walk on the tight cut out rock path leading to an entrance of some kind.

Howard

What is this, it's like a giant metal gear.

Todd

I guess this is the vault?

How do we get in? Is there a handle?

Todd

Maybe there's a code needed like a safe. Is there any numbers on that pip-boy?

Howard

Only thing on the scene is just the map of the area.

Todd

Oh, hey there's a little station over here and it looks like you can plug something into it. Does that have any plugs on it?

Howard

ahhh... I don't know if it's got a bunch of dials on it.

Todd

Here give me it. Here it is

Todd plugs the plug into the slot and an automated voice can be heard "Welcome to Vault 6, Please step back as the vault door opens, Welcome to your new home".