

EDDIE

It's sewer water. I'm telling you guys you're splashing around in millions of gallons of Derry pee.  
Richie dips his branch in the water and sniffs the tip.

RICHIE

Smells okay to me.

Bill sees something in the muck and fishes it out.

BILL

Guys.

EDDIE

I'm serious. Have you ever heard of a staff infection –

BILL

Guys!

They all shut up and turn to Bill, holding a sneaker.

STANLEY

Don't tell me that's—

BILL

No. Georgie wore galoshes.

He flips Richie the sneaker, nods to look inside. Richie flashes his key-ring light, sees "D. CORCORAN" written on the sole in black marker.

EDDIE

Who's sneaker is it?

Bill fishes it out with a branch, afraid to touch it.

RICHIE

Dorsey Corcoran.

EDDIE

Crap. For real? Oh god. That totally freaks me out...

RICHIE

How do you think Dorsey feels? Running around these woods with only one friggin' shoe.

The Others look at Richie: Did he really just say that?

STANLEY

What if... what if he's still here?

They all lock eyes. Richie picks up a stick and starts sloshing deeper into the dark pipe where the shoe was found. Eddie stays frozen.

RICHIE  
Dorsey!?

EDDIE  
Really! Stop! We're gonna get in trouble. Richie!

Bill, who has been uncommonly quiet, finally speaks.

BILL  
If I was D-Dorsey I would want us to find me. Georgie too.

He dumps out a bag of marshmallows and bags the shoe.

RICHIE  
Who do you think is doing this?

BILL  
I don't know. Maybe this will help us find out...

EDDIE  
What if I don't want to find out?

RICHIE  
What?

EDDIE  
No offense, Bill, but I don't want to end up like... I don't want to go missing either...

STANLEY  
He has a point.

BILL  
Y-y-you too?

STANLEY  
Don't you guys feel it? It's like something is out there... watching us... like it wants us...

BILL  
What are you talking about?

RICHIE  
Yeah, Stan. You're really creep –

RUSTLING. From the bushes. They freeze. Waiting. Wondering. Is Stanley right?

MORE RUSTLING. A FIGURE crashes out of the brush. Eddie falls back. None of 'em speak as we reveal, Ben. Barely standing before them. Beaten. And bloody.

RICHIE (CONT'D)  
Holy crap. What happened to you?

Ben collapses.