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Type of Material:	TV Pilot	Title:	CONFIDENTIAL
Number of Pages:	65	Author:	CONFIDENTIAL
Coverage type:	TV Notes	Circa:	Present
Payment type:		Location:	Kirby High School
Coverage Date:		Genre:	Fantasy- comedy
Analyst:			

**LOG LINE:** CONFIDENTIAL

	Excellent	Good	Needs Work	Rethink
Idea		X		
Overall execution		X		
Narrative/Structure		X		
Characters/Dialogue			X	
Effective Scene work			X	
Professional appearance: grammar, spelling, typos		X		
Commercial potential		X		
Readiness for Market		X		

Scouting Recommendation:	
Yes	
Not at this time	X

**COMMENTS:**

Guys, a very nice read that made me want to continue on with their adventures.

You have an enjoyable, almost conversational style that drew me into the story from the get go. The “teaser” is especially well done: the “teen science geeks” in their domain and the story starting off with a bang. Each character is well delineated. However, in the character descriptions, I’d caution against too many of the “unfilmables” that while may be enjoyable from a reader’s viewpoint, just doesn’t translate to the screen. Remember the old adage, show, doesn’t tell.

The pacing and structure works overall, yet I found myself wondering about their back stories off campus. Don’t these science geeks have families or siblings? Yes Victor’s family is mentioned, albeit briefly, but you might want to consider a scene or two at the very least about Reed Richards family since much of the story (and drama) revolve around him. I was also confused as to why Reed Richards joins the group so late in the game. You’ve established that he was known before, at the Science Fair. Why wouldn’t Dr. Storm have invited him then?

I do think the “science geeks vs. jocks” meme has been done before. I did like how Ben Grimm comes into play when the geeks were battling Danny. However, the subplot with the missing space capsule should be played up more. It seems to me that Dr. Storm would have seen the correlation between the failed science experiment and the missing craft. Plus, Dr. Storm gives up on the new science lab awful fast.

I would also suggest refining the Victor, Terence and Johnny Storm characters. The story sags in the scenes with Victor and his birthday party. The later reveal that Victor’s parent’s survived an assassination attempt adds nothing to the story. It may be back story that could be more effectively seamed in.

As for Terence, he’s sitting on the biggest reveal of all, that he saw Victor tamper with his work station machine, and thus set in motion the events to come. When Terence does finally confront Victor, it’s almost a throwaway scene. Victor agrees much too readily to help the others. Johnny Storm comes off as a likeable buffoon, but there really is no pay off to his subplot with the football team.

#### Page Notes

- Pg. 1: “Autumn” should not be capped.
- Pg. 1: “Awkward Teen” the entire word should be capped.
- Pg. 1: “Passing Students” the entire word should be capped.
- Pg. 1: “Well don’t” should have a comma after the well.
- Pg. 5: “Kids” the entire word should be capped.
- Pg. 5: “Band Geek” the entire word should be capped.
- Pg. 5: “Non-threatening Teen” the entire word should be capped.
- Pg. 8: “merry Christmas” the M in merry should be capped
- Pg. 10: “youtube” should be capped.
- Pg. 14: “dad” should be capped.
- Pg. 14: The para about Johnny should be on a separate line.
- Pg. 14: LOVE the “premature congratulation” line.
- Pg. 18: There should be a comma after the word “anything”.
- Pg. 21: “The” should not be capped.
- Pg. 23: Extra period after “losses”.
- Pg. 26: “He” should not be capped.
- Pg. 28: “But” should not be capped.
- Pg. 31: “dad” should be capped.
- Pg. 47: “She” should not be capped.
- Pg. 52: No comma after “wormhole”.
- Pg. 53: “There’s” should not be capped.
- Pg. 55: Extra period after “See”.
- Pg. 64: “Before” should not be capped.

Overall, a good introduction/beginning to the world of the XXXXX. A few subtle tweaks and this will make a great spec and/or writing sample.