

“The Life and Times of Humpty Dumpty”

(News Reporter is standing in front of the brick wall, holding the microphone and looking into an imaginary television camera)

Ladies and gentlemen, I am here standing in front of the very wall off which Mr. Dumpty, “Humpty” to his many friends and fans, fell earlier today. This is a most tragic and solemn moment.

Our mini-cams were on the scene within minutes of the accident, and have remained here throughout the day while all the king’s horses and all the king’s men attempted to put Humpty Dumpty back together again. Let’s see if we can talk to one of them now. *(Mimes working his way through the crowd)*. Excuse me, sir, but just how serious does it look for Mr. Dumpty? ... You say it could go either way? He could fully recover or be Eggs Benedict by morning? Only time will tell? *(Sighs)* Well, sir, I want to commend you and the other king’s men on all that you’ve done. I’ve been watching you guys scrambling around here – no pun intended – making sure everything that can be done is being done. And I even understand some of the nation’s top Crazy Glue specialists have been called in and are working around the clock. One thing’s for certain, Humpty Dumpty is in the best of hands!

(Into camera) And so, while we await word of Humpty Dumpty’s condition, our station felt this would be a good time for a retrospective of his illustrious and legendary career.

After being discovered in the dairy case of a Hollywood grocery store, Humpty was cast in a supporting role in the film classic “Cheaper by the Dozen.” From there he moved on to a star in such notable movies as “The Breakfast Club,” “The Egg Who Came to Dinner,” and what many have termed his finest film, “The Good, The Bad, and the Hard-Boiled.”

Humpty was a private person. No matter how hard you tried, you just couldn’t seem to get past his outer shell. He was a well-rounded individual, and even though some say he wasn’t all he was cracked up to be, he was still considered a “good egg” by those who knew him best.

He never complained when we’d paint him funny colors at Easter time or toss his relatives around at a July 4th picnic.

Yes, Humpty Dumpty *(wiping a tear his eye)*, you’re quite a guy! And wherever you are right now, I hope you know we’re all rooting for you! ... I’d thrown in, “and that’s no ‘yoke,’” but I’m sure in your line of work, you’ve been around enough hams.

So, let me just close by saying, “Good luck, and always remember to keep your sunny side up!”

This is *(Fill in your name)* reporting from *(Fill in your city)*. Good night.