

The Final Apocalypse Story by Breanna Rocha

SCENE ONE

INT. ZOMBIE GROCERY STORE - LATE DAY

TOM, a middle-aged male zombie, is shopping at a Brain store. He's in the Brains aisle, with brains filling every shelf, this is the same for every aisle in the store. It's all just just brains. The lights are flickering and dull, there's some boring song playing, and it's obvious Tom's very bored.

He goes to grab a brain and then notices the price.

TOM

Fourteen dollars for a brain? That's insanity!

Some zombie walking past him gives Tom a judgemental look for yelling in the quiet store. Tom sighs and reluctantly grabs four brains. He goes to the check out. There's a friendly female zombie working the cash register, CASHIER.

CASHIER

Hello sir, can I interest you in trying some of our new brain seasonings?

She gestures to the large seasonings right across from the conveyor belt with names like, "Berry Brain" and "Chili Brain".

TOM

No, thank you, just the normal brains are fine.

She starts scanning the brains. Meanwhile, Tom looks at the small television in the corner of the store. The news is on.

NEWS ANCHOR #1

Thank you, Joan. Yes, it is true. There is currently a shortage of human brains, making brain prices rise crazy high. From the average ten dollars, to a drastic fourteen now.

NEWS ANCHOR #2

Wow. With all the new zombies being made, there must be less humans to get brains.

NEWS ANCHOR #1

Exactly, Marty. Apparently, inflation
wasn't just a human thing, ghouls.

Tom's concerned about this, but mostly ignores it and pays for
his groceries. He walks to his small blue car and gets in.

INT. CAR - LATE DAY

Tom turns on the radio.

RADIO HOST

With brain prices rising, parents are
wondering how much it will go up, and
what the scarcity of human-

Tom changes the station before they can finish, and turns on the
same generic song that played in the grocery store.

After a short drive, he's finally to his very generic home, and
walks in. KELSEY, Tom's wife, is in the kitchen cleaning.

KELSEY

Hey hun. How was work?

TOM

It was fine, nothing out of the
abnormal. Did you start the oven? I
bought more brains.

KELSEY

Yeah, go ahead and pop them in.

Tom puts the brains in the oven, starting to cook them.

END OF SCENE ONE.

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SCENE TWO

INT. TOM'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Tom and Kelsey are sitting at the dinner table, with their ten year old twin kids, ANDREA and JUSTIN. They are sitting there quietly just eating their brains. It's very quiet and awkward for a second. Tom speaks up.

TOM

How was school?

ANDREA

(shrugging)

It was fine, I guess.

Justin nods. Tom nods.

TOM

Well, don't eat your food too fast.
Those brains cost fourteen dollars
each.

KELSEY

Oh wow, they've been going up. We'll
need to make one brain each work now.
No more extra brain for seconds.

JUSTIN

Whatttttt? How will I get my daily
nutrition? I'm a growing dead boy, Mom!

TOM

No, no. You'll get your seconds every
now and then. This whole "human
shortage" thing isn't real. Don't worry
about it.

END OF SCENE TWO.
CUT TO:

SCENE THREE

INT. BRAIN STORE - LATE DAY
SERIES OF SHOTS:

- Tom is at the Brain store. A large portion of the brains, once there, are gone. The price is now seventeen dollars. Tom looks frustrated. He goes to check out.

- Tom is at the store again. About half the brains are gone. The price is twenty dollars. He is shocked. He goes to check out and a news channel on the TV is saying more things about brain inflation and human scarcity.

- Tom is at the Brain store again and there are hardly any brains left. The price is now twenty-five dollars. Tom gasps, but gasps louder when he sees a sign that says, "UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO HUMAN STOCK SHORTAGES, WE ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE AS MANY BRAINS. ONLY 3 PER PERSON NOW". Tom groans, and grabs three brains. He goes to check out. The TV news channel is talking about brain inflation and human scarcity again.

TOM

Can you change it, please?

Cashier does this, but every channel is the news and is saying the same thing.

CASHIER

Sorry, looks like nothing else is on.

TOM

It's fine. Do you know when they'll have more brains in stock?

CASHIER

No, but... I would stock up if I were you. People have been coming here with their entire family and buying like twenty brains.

Tom nods, grabbing his groceries and goes to his car. He turns on the radio, but the stations are the same as the television in the store. Tom turns the radio off.

END OF SCENE THREE.
CUT TO:

SCENE FOUR

INT. TOM'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Kelsey is looking through the grocery bag Tom brought home.

KELSEY

Honey, you forgot a brain!

TOM

No, this whole shortage thing has us only eligible to buy three brains now. You'll need to go with me next time if we want to get enough. But Death knows if we'll even be able to afford it. *Twenty-five* for a brain now.

Kelsey gasps.

KELSEY

Oh my grave, that's crazy! This whole human shortage thing must be getting worse. You know what, I bet it's all those rogue zombies who keep eating nonstop.

TOM

No, I'm pretty sure it's a government scam for all of our taxes. There's no way there are that little humans left.

Andrea groans.

ANDREA

Mom, Dad, stop being crazy conservatives. The shortage is real. There's nothing behind it!

JUSTIN

You know what I think? I think aliens are abducting our humans.

KELSEY

(sighing)

Oh Justin...

JUSTIN

I'm telling you Dead Mom! There's something just so extraterrestrial about this whole "human shortage" thing. I mean think about it! If humans once walked the Earth, aliens once walked the space.

The family sighs at him.

JUSTIN (CONT')

What! The aliens are obviously bored up in space, so they come here. What do they see while here? Us eating humans! So then they start eating our humans! It's so obvious!

They ignore him. Kelsey walks to the living room and turns on the tv. The news is the first thing on.

NEWS ANCHOR

The shortage of humans has officially been confirmed by the President. Here is his statement.

Tom walks into the living room to watch it with Kelsey.

PRESIDENT

Meh mah jer ja humk kuw yul mot hud ner
jah meh la human ju geh mah ver
endangered pol seh only hundred left
gah jer.

Tom and Kelsey are shocked.

KELSEY

Oh my grave...

Suddenly there is a large sound outside of their house. They run to see what's going on. *Anarchy* is what's going on. Zombies are running around attacking one another and going crazy.

TOM

Okay, maybe this whole thing isn't fake. Kids, get in the car...

They all get in the car and drive off. They pass zombies robbing each other, zombies eating trash, zombies robbing the brain stores and just overall madness. Kelsey turns on the radio.

RADIO HOST
MADNESS EVERYONE! PROTECT YOUR DEAD
KIDS UNLESS YOU WANT THEM TO BE MORE
DEAD GHOULS! ZOMBIES HAVE GONE CRAZY
WITH THE NEAR EXTINCTION OF HUMANS! THE
GOVERNMENT ISSUES WARNINGS! IT'S THE
APOCALYPSE TO END ALL APOCALYPSES! RUN-

Tom turns the radio off. He connects his Bluetooth to try to calm everyone down. He plays "Zombie" by *The Cranberries*. It seems to calm everyone down a little bit.

END OF SCENE FOUR.
CUT TO:

SCENE FIVE

EXT. WOODS - NIGHT

Tom and his family are camped in the woods. As zombies they don't need much to live outdoors, so they're all fine, just fearful of others who might want to kill them.

TOM

Don't worry, dead kids. We'll all be fine. If anyone tries to come and eat us, we'll... Well, we will probably try to eat them too because this is an eat or be eaten world.

ANDREA

Dad, I don't wanna eat other zombies! That's so gross.

KELSEY

Well, sometimes we have to dead survive, Andrea. Humans used to do it to each other and they're not even dead, so think about that.

Andrea sighs.

JUSTIN

We're not safe here. This is probably where all the alien abductions happen!

The family sighs at him again.

ANDREA

Aliens aren't real Justin. They're made up like polar bears.

Justin rolls his eyes and grunts.

TOM

Just hold tight everyone. Sooner or later we'll roll upon a wolf who we can eat or some-

There's a noise from the woods. Someone runs into the circle the family created. It's a human.

HUMAN

Oh, thank god, zombies.

All the zombies are shocked at this human.

Tom
You know we eat your kind, right?

HUMAN
Yes, yes I know, but I have bigger
problems than that! Please hide me-

Before the human can finish, a huge, enormous white light from
beyond the trees shines on them. They try to run out of it, but
are immediately lifted and pulled up into the sky, screaming.

JUSTIN
I TOLD YOU!

TOM
WHAT IN REAPER'S NAME?

Immediately, the light spreads larger and Tom and the whole
family are pulled into the light too, concerned for their dead
lives.

BLACKOUT.

Once the family opens their eyes. They see it's a bunch of polar
bear aliens who have abducted them.

POLAR BEAR ALIEN CAPTAIN
Hello, humans- Wait, these things
aren't human. What in the North Pole
Planet's name are you?

The family looks around at all the humans and polar bears in the
room and smiles at each other.

TOM
Kids... Dinner time.

They all attack the polar bear aliens and humans, but the screen
cuts off before it shows anything too gruesome.

THE END.