

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS
"The Titanic Burger"

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FADE IN:

INT. - SpongeBob's Pineapple

An ad for popsicles, called Popsuckers, is playing on SpongeBob's TV, in his living room, as he watches it.

NARRATOR (V.O)

Kids! Kids! Kids!

A different fish pops up each time the word "kids" is said.

KID #1

What?

KID #2

What?

KID #3

What?

NARRATOR (V.O)

Have you heard about the new dessert everyone is talking about?

ALL KIDS

Ice Cream?

NARRATOR (V.O)

No! For the first time in Bikini Bottom, introducing Popsuckers!

A series of different colored popsicles are shown on the screen.

CUT TO A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS IN A LABORATORY

A group of scientists are in a laboratory, testing out the popsicles.

NARRATOR (V.O)

These aren't just your typical popsicles. Popsuckers are scientifically proven to be the best tasting popsicles in the entire ocean!

A scientist takes a bite out of one of the popsicles. There is a huge explosion. The faces of all of the scientists are covered in soot. The scientist gives the camera a thumbs up.

CUT TO KID#2

KID #2
So, what makes Popsuckers so special?

NARRATOR (V.O)
Easy! Popsuckers are the answer to
everything!

CUT TO SHOT OF BOY BRINGING HOME A FAILED MATH TEST TO HIS
MOTHER

NARRATOR (V.O)
Failed a math test?

The boy pulls out a Popsucker. The mother and boy both get
big smiles on their faces.

NARRATOR (V.O)
Popsuckers!

CUT TO A TEENAGER WHO HAS JUST CRASHED HIS BOAT, AND A POLICE
OFFICER WRITING HIM A TICKET

NARRATOR (V.O)
Crashed your vehicle? No problem!

The teenager pulls out a Popsucker. The teenager smiles and
the police officer does an interpretative dance.

NARRATOR (V.O)
Popsuckers!

CUT TO DIFFERENT IMAGES OF POPSUCKERS

NARRATOR (V.O)
Popsuckers! Popsuckers! Popsuckers!

CUT TO SPONGEBOB, SITTING IN HIS CHAIR

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS
Man! I've got to get me some of those!

The alarm on his wall clock goes off.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS
Awww... Barnacles! I guess I'll just
have to go get some after work!

CUT TO MISTER EUGENE H. KRABS'S OFFICE

INT. - MISTER EUGENE H. KRABS'S OFFICE

Mister EUGENE H. KRABS is in his office, reading his newspaper. He sees an ad for a new restaurant opening, called Titanic Burger. He is not happy. SpongeBob is sitting in his chair, across from Mister Krabs, sitting at his desk.

EUGENE H. KRABS

SpongeBob! Do you understand what this means for the company?

SpongeBob looks dumbfounded.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Umm... No sir, not really.

EUGENE H. KRABS

SpongeBob! Do you not see what this here ad says?

Mister Krabs tosses the newspaper into SpongeBob's lap. SpongeBob begins to read it.

EUGENE H. KRABS

This new establishment, "Titanic Burger," is selling food for half of me prices! They even offer free restroom use!

SpongeBob tosses the newspaper up to the ceiling in shock. It sticks there.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Mister Krabs! What are we going to do? What about the customers?

EUGENE H. KRABS

I'll tell you what we're gonna do, boy. You and Squidward are going to spy on this place, pretending to be just average customers, today, after work. Find out any information you can. Got it?

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Sorry, Mister Krabs, but Patrick and I were going to head to the supermarket to buy...

Mister Krabs interrupts.

EUGENE H. KRABS

Great idea! Take Patrick with ye. The more help I can get, the better.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES enters the room.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Mister Krabs, I heard every word you just said. There is no way on Earth I am going on any sort of hunt with this here lunatic and his dimwit of a friend!

EUGENE H. KRABS

Oh, I think you'll be doing nothing other than that.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Oh, really? How so?

The newspaper on the ceiling now falls on Squidward, along with a pile of other random items of trash.

CHILDREN (V.O)

Boo!(jeering)

CUT TO OUTSIDE TITANIC BURGER

EXT. - OUTSIDE TITANIC BURGER

SpongeBob, PATRICK STAR, and Squidward are waiting on the red carpet, outside Titanic Burger, which is the historical Titanic, reconstructed as a massive, fast food restaurant, on opening night. All three are wearing very obvious trench coats and sunglasses. A newscaster, FISH PHILLIPS, is broadcasting the event.

FISH PHILLIPS

Yes, Tom. I am standing out here, live, at the grand opening of Titanic Burger. Bikini Bottom hasn't seen a fast food establishment more popular than The Krusty Krab in years. However, tonight, that may all change.

Fish spies SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward in the line, and goes up to SpongeBob with his microphone.

FISH PHILLIPS

You, sir! How excited are you to put
your taste buds on the delicious
Titanic Burger?

Patrick whispers to SpongeBob.

PATRICK STAR

Remember. Act natural.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Well, you see, Fish, it takes more
than just popularity to make a great
patty.

SpongeBob begins to gesture very grandly.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

It takes patience. Delicacy.
Tenderness. Undivided attention. Also,
of course, the most important
ingredient.

FISH PHILLIPS

Meat?

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Love!

SpongeBob transforms into a heart shape. Fish does not
look amused. SpongeBob stays in that form, and Fish grows
concerned.

FISH PHILLIPS

Umm... Do you need a doctor?

CUT TO INSIDE TITANIC BURGER

INT. - TITANIC BURGER

SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward are sitting down at a
table, still wearing their trench coats and sunglasses.

PATRICK STAR

Such an odd name. I wonder why they
call it "Titanic Burger."

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Maybe the owner knew I would be coming
here with you two imbeciles, and that
it would be a titanic waste of my

time.

A random pile of trash falls on Squidward, covering him.

CHILDREN (V.O)

Boo!

The waiter, FLIPPY MCFLIPPLESTEINBERGERSMITH, with a name tag so big it covers his whole chest, arrives at the table.

FLIPPY MCFLIPPLESTEINBERGERSMITH

Hello! Welcome to Titanic Burger! My name is Flippy! What would you like?

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Yes! We are three non-suspicious customers who actually have a few questions about this fine dining establishment.

FLIPPY MCFLIPPLESTEINBERGERSMITH

Oh. Well, if that be the case, our manager is conducting a tour in about thirty minutes. Any questions you have will be answered then.

CUT TO OUTSIDE TITANIC BURGER

EXT. - OUTSIDE TITANIC BURGER

SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward, still in disguise, are outside Titanic Burger, following a group, lead by the manager, FLAME MIGNON, who is very feminine.

FLAME MIGNON

Like I said, I'll be your tour guide! My name is Flame Mignon. So, which of you silly geeses has a question?

Patrick raises his hand.

FLAME MIGNON

Yes?

PATRICK STAR

Why is it called "Titanic Burger"?

FLAME MIGNON

Well, you will notice the restaurant is inside a ship. According to the owner, when he discovered the ship, he

found its name was the Titanic. He has since located some photos of what that ship looked like before it was wrecked, and, let me tell you, it was fabulous! Now, who else has a question?

Flame spots Squidward, who looks miserable, next to SpongeBob and Patrick. Flame runs up to him, excited.

FLAME MIGNON

Oh my, gosh! Oh my, gosh! Oh my, gosh!
Are you Squidward Tentacles?

Squidward looks irritated.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Yes...

FLAME MIGNON

OMG! I purchased your ballet instruction kit off of FishBids!

Squidward looks surprised and excited.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

You're username FlameOver157?

FLAME MIGNON

Yes! Let me tell you, I loved using that kit!

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Really? Why don't you show me what was your favorite lesson?

FLAME MIGNON

Oh, I didn't use the kit for ballet. I needed some extra firewood. Gosh, why did you ever stop making them? The box was so flammable! Kept me warm all winter!

Squidward begins to look agitated, again. He puts his tentacle on Flame's chest.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Listen here, pal!

Flame points up. Squidward looks up. A giant pile of trash falls on top of Squidward.

CHILDREN (V.O)

Boo!

CUT TO HALLWAY

INT. - TITANIC BURGER HALLWAY

SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward are still with the group, looking at a statue of a cheeseburger, while Flame talks. SpongeBob spots a door that says "Boss's Office." Squidward and Patrick see him point to it.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

If we sneak in, we can maybe get some more answers, and figure out what's going on. The tour guide isn't saying anything. Trust me, guys. Just follow my lead.

CUT TO PLANKTON'S OFFICE

INT. - PLANKTON'S OFFICE

SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward sneak in through the door. They enter. The lights are off. They hear an evil laugh. The lights come on. They see PLANKTON sitting at his desk. All three of them look angry.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Plankton!

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

We should have known this was you all along!

PATRICK STAR

Is there a bathroom in here?

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Patrick! We... What the... Anyways, what's this all about?

PLANKTON

Glad you asked, ballet boy! You see, business at The Chum Bucket is down, as usual. I couldn't afford to make my payments, and it looked like I was going to go bankrupt, until, one day.

FLASHBACK

EXT. - THE DESERT

Plankton is wandering through the desert.

PLANKTON (V.O)

You see, I was walking in the desert
one day, when, all of a sudden...

The Titanic falls on Plankton, and crushes him. Plankton
emerges from a crack and begins to examine the ship.

PLANKTON (V.O)

I came across an abandoned ship, The
Titanic. I thought, instead of just
letting it sit there, I'll turn it
into a new and improved fast food
restaurant. I'll charge less than what
that crab Krabs charges, and then, all
of his customers will come to me, and,
pretty soon, I'll be able to buy The
Krusty Krab, and find out the secret
formula!

CUT TO PLANKTON'S OFFICE

INT. - PLANKTON'S OFFICE

SpongeBob gasps.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

How dare you? You'll never get away
with this. You'll see. The Krusty Krab
will come up with something that will
knock this place out of the park. You
won't even see it coming!

PLANKTON

Good luck, SpongeBob. You see this
alarm, here?

Plankton points to an alarm on the wall.

PLANKTON

This alarm has the ability to track my
sales. Good or bad. If I go bankrupt,
the alarm will sound. Don't think I'm
not watching your every move,
Squarepants! Titanic Burger will be my
triumph!

Plankton laughs evilly.

CUT TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD

EXT. - THE SIDE OF THE ROAD

SpongeBob, Patrick, and Squidward leave the restaurant and begin to walk back to The Krusty Krab

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

He'll never get away with this. I know just what we'll do to put him out of business!

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

You said it, Sponge!

PATRICK STAR

I wonder how that ship crashed in the first place.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

It probably was shot down by pirates.

PATRICK STAR

I don't know. It seems to me like it could have maybe crashed into one of those giant ice blocks that floats over Bikini Bottom around Christmas.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES

Patrick, that is literally the dumbest thing I've ever heard!

A pile of trash falls on Squidward.

CHILDREN (V.O)

Boo!

CUT TO PLANKTON'S OFFICE

INT. - PLANKTON'S OFFICE

Plankton is doing business in his office when the bankruptcy alarm sounds.

PLANKTON

Oh, come on! Gone for thirty seconds and they already bankrupt me?

CUT TO HALLWAY

INT. - TITANIC BURGER HALLWAY

Plankton heads out into the hallway. The employees are screaming and running every which way.

PLANKTON

I've got to make my way to the
lifeboats!

CUT TO THE TITANIC BURGER DECK

EXT. - TITANIC BURGER DECK

Plankton runs to the deck, where people are being loaded into lifeboats, which are being lowered to the ground. While running, Plankton passes a group of waiters.

WAITER #1

Gentlemen, it has been an honor
serving with you tonight.

From behind their backs, the waiters pull out violins, and begin to play them. Plankton gets on one of the lifeboats. He does not let anyone else on.

PLANKTON

It's for the good of the company,
people!

The lifeboat lowers. Once on the ground, Plankton presses a button. A steering wheel and keyhole appear. Plankton inserts the key, turning the lifeboat into a speedboat. Speakers that are way too big for the boat pop out of its side, and blast rock music as Plankton drives off.

CUT TO THE KRUSTY KRAB

INT. - THE KRUSTY KRAB

A huge line is waiting at The Krusty Krab. The line is so big that it lasts for miles. Inside, Squidward is taking orders, and SpongeBob is serving popsicles to those sitting at tables. Everyone is happy. Plankton then pulls up in his boat, and enters the restaurant.

EUGENE H. KRABS

Save it, Plankton. It's over.

Mister Krabs pulls SpongeBob up to his side. SpongeBob has an innocent, almost doll like look on his face, and remains still.

EUGENE H. KRABS

SpongeBob, here, told me about your little plot. Trying to actually use my own customers just to run me out of business. That's just sick!

PLANKTON

Yeah, well, you'll see, Eugene! I'll bring this place down soon enough! Maybe not today, tomorrow, next week, or even next year, but I will soon. I shall prevail!

Plankton gives an evil laugh as he walks out of The Krusty Krab,

EUGENE H. KRABS

Gee. You'd think after all this time he'd run out of ideas.

CUT TO PLANKTON'S BEDROOM

INT. - PLANKTON'S BEDROOM

Plankton is crying in his bed. His computer wife, KAREN, is right by his side.

KAREN

Plankton, given the statistics, you should have known this would be an utter failure!

PLANKTON

How? How is it that after all these creative ways I've come up with to steal the formula, that all of my diabolical plans would be spoiled by that stupid little sponge?

KAREN

Maybe you're just trying too hard.

PLANKTON

Maybe.

KAREN

Maybe, next time, you should just look for a more obvious solution.

PLANKTON

I thought I did that this time. I

mean, who would have thought The Titanic Burger would sink?

Karen rolls her eyes.

CUT TO THE KRUSTY KRAB

INT. - THE KRUSTY KRAB

Everyone, besides Mister Krabs, SpongeBob, and Squidward, has left The Krusty Krab. Mister Krabs and SpongeBob are sitting at a table. Squidward is reading a magazine at the front, ignoring them.

EUGENE H. KRABS

Well, SpongeBob, your little idea worked. The Titanic Burger is out of business. Thanks, lad.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Anything for you, Mr. K!

EUGENE H. KRABS

How'd you manage to come up with that idea, anyways?

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Well, today, I saw an ad on TV for these new popsicles. Popsuckers! Everyone nowadays loves popsicles, so I thought, why not?

EUGENE H. KRABS

Well, Sponge, for the first time in the history of The Krusty Krab, we may be adding a new item to the menu. Tell me, what do you call these things?

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Well, let me think.

SpongeBob begins to ponder.

SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

Well, we did use them to shut down Titanic Burger. I can't call them Popsuckers, so, I'll call them... Icebergs!

Squidward throws his magazine down and storms over to the table, irritated by the name.

SQUIDWARD TENTACLES
Please! That has got to be the most
idiotic name for a food I've ever
heard!

A pile of trash falls on Squidward.

CHILDREN (V.O)
Boo!

FADE OUT