

THE YELLOW GLOVES

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INT. OUTSIDE HOUSE - DAY

NORA is being followed by a documentary film crew - she is dressed smartly, but a pair of bright yellow washing up gloves clashes with her overall look. She also carries a box of cleaning essentials.

She walks up to a front door and rings the door bell, and then turns back to camera.

NORA

(to CAMERA)

I do all sorts of jobs really. Some big, some small. I would say this one is about medium-sized, so I've gotta have my wits about me today. It's a new client as well, so you're never sure what you're gonna-

Suddenly the front door opens, and CRAIG, NORA's client, appears in the doorway.

LINDSAY

(to CRAIG)

Hello! I'm NORA, from *Now-You-See-It-Nora-Don't* cleaning services. I'm here to clean your oven.

CRAIG doesn't look impressed - he notices the documentary film crew, bemused, and then looks down at his watch.

CRAIG

(annoyed)

You were meant to be here thirty minutes ago.

LINDSAY

Oh, don't you worry about that! I won't charge you extra. Come on then, show us the damage!

CRAIG

Who are they?

CRAIG points at the camera.

CUT TO:

INT. KITCHEN - SOON AFTER

NORA's head is deep into the oven - inspecting it as thoroughly as she can. He leans out and looks directly at the camera.

NORA

(to CAMERA)

Now, not all jobs are the same. Sometimes you get easy ones, sometimes they're a bit tougher. So what you have to do is-

CRAIG (O.S.)

Excuse me? How long is this gonna take? I'm already late for an appointment and I was told you'd be done by now.

NORA rolls her eyes - CRAIG is ruining her bit to camera.

NORA

(mouthing to CAMERA)

Sorry about this.

(to CRAIG)

I appreciate your patience, sir, but as you can see I'm just trying to demonstrate how-

CRAIG

Also, no one told me that I'd have a crew of people in my house when I booked. Do I get some sort of discount?

NORA

(impatient)

Well, as I just said, I do appreciate your patience. But I can't do everything at once, can I? I can't do this (pointing at the oven), and star in a new reality television show about domestic goddesses all at the same time! (pointing at the camera)

CRAIG

In that case, I'd prefer it if you just did the cleaning, actually. That's what I'm paying you for.

CRAIG folds his arms to demonstrate his seriousness - NORA stands up and pulls off her yellow gloves.

NORA

Oh, no sweetie. See, I don't do the actual cleaning.

CRAIG

What?

NORA

Yeah, no. I might be wearing the gloves, but all this is just for the show.

NORA dangles the gloves and points at the CAMERA - CRAIG is on the verge of screaming.

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