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**"This is great! I'm ready for more if you got it."** – games writing client

FATAL BLOODMATCH  
Channel 101 Pilot

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Based on a true story.

**INT. GARAGE - DAY**

Close on AIDAN (16), an unremarkable teen. Shades of Daniel, the Karate Kid. He kneels amidst candles in a karate gi.

AIDAN (V.O.)  
My name is Aidan, and I've trained  
my whole life to be a great  
warrior.

MONTAGE: As Aidan speaks he...  
-goes through katas. He's sweaty, working hard.  
-balances on poles in his Sensei's backyard.  
-washes a car while his Sensei HITS HIM WITH A BROOM

AIDAN (V.O.)  
From a young age, Sensei Craig has  
honed my warrior instinct into a  
razor's edge. I'm sixteen years  
old, and though sensei says I  
still have much to learn, I'm  
finally ready to compete in the  
Kumite, the legendary underground  
fighting tournament.

**INT. ARENA - NIGHT**

Aiden imagines himself in a rusty arena. Screens FLASH  
'ANYTHING GOES! KUMITE: PLANO TX'

AIDAN (V.O.)  
That's right, the tournament is in  
Plano. It may not seem like a  
place the greatest warriors across  
the earth gather every year, but  
there's a lot about the world you  
don't understand...yet.

**EXT. PLANO HIGH SCHOOL - DAY**

Aidan sits at lunch with best friends TONY (16) and LISA (16).  
Tony looks incredulous.

TONY  
What are you talking about? I  
thought you were training for  
like, a karate contest in Houston.

AIDAN  
My whole life?! Four hours a day?  
For a freakin' 'karate contest?'

TONY  
You barely talk about your  
'training.' And I've never seen  
you do a jump kick.

LISA  
Tell him about the ki channels.

AIDAN  
Oh yeah, there's an obvious reason  
the Kumite takes place here in  
Plano. Get out your geography  
homework.

TONY  
I forgot it.

AIDEN  
(of course he did)  
Lisa give me yours.

LISA  
Here.

She pulls out a crayon-colored MAP OF THE WORLD. Aidan DRAWS  
LINES ON IT as he explains:

AIDAN  
Take all the ki channels from the  
great ninja dojos and  
monasteries...and you can see...

He holds up the map. The lines cross over Texas. Lisa CLAPS-

LISA  
(singing)  
Deep in the heart of Texas!

TONY  
Ki channels? Like how you shoot  
fireballs in video games?

AIDAN  
Yes, but real. Ki is *real*. And  
they all intersect here.

Lisa nods confidently.

TONY

That's the dumbest thing I've ever heard.

(to LISA)

Why are you so into this?

LISA

(confidential)

This is my ticket outta this dump.

AIDAN

Well since you sound like such an expert *Tony*, have you ever even been in a fight?

TONY

(obviously not)

Sure I have. Tons of times.

#### **INT. REAL NINJA TRAINING DOJO**

A strip mall dojo. Questionable font choices on the signage. Aidan kneels before his SENSEI (70s), meditating.

AIDAN

Sensei, tonight I fight in the Kumite qualifier. Do you have any tips?

SENSEI

What? No you're not. You'll die.

AIDAN

I think I can handle myself.

SENSEI

You are a good student, but the Kumite is violent and lawless. Great warriors have died at the hands of craven monsters in that tournament. Why would you risk your life for this?

AIDAN

To honor you, Sensei.

SENSEI

I don't want you to honor me.

AIDAN

Okay well whatever, you can't stop me.

SENSEI  
I'm pretty sure I could.

AIDAN  
I'm gonna qualify and I'm gonna win!

SENSEI  
Someone is going to punch you so hard your heart will stop and you'll die.

AIDAN  
Nuh uh.

Aidan leaves. Sensei calls after.

SENSEI  
Yeah huh!

**INT. ARENA - NIGHT**

TONY and Lisa enter a rusty fight arena. Sure enough, the whole thing is real - giant screens flash the logo while seedy audience streams in.

LISA  
It was all real. This makes me wonder what other nonsense Aidan said was true.

TONY  
Look at these guys. Holy moly.

HULKED OUT MURDERERS warm up. They look scary as fuck. BLASIO (30s) does savage fight moves. HIKARU (20s), has an ASSISTANT stab his stomach with a knife. The blade BOUNCES OFF. Next to them, Aidan does a beginner karate kata.

A candy-colored EMCEE (30s) enters the ring. Shades of Mugatu.

EMCEE  
Welcome to the KU-MI-TE!

All SCREAM AND CLAP.

EMCEE  
The earth's greatest fighters are here to test their might. Tonight is the qualifier. Twenty will emerge as the official contestants in the Kumite.

The Emcee prances around as the fighters size each other up.

EMCEE

Anything goes tonight! Body blows  
are legal. Arm breaks and gouges?  
Legal. Tag outs are legal. There's  
just one rule: you leave the ring,  
you go limp, you lose.

Aidan nods. Tony and Lisa look really nervous.

**INT. ARENA - LATER**

Fighters SQUARE OFF. One PUNCHES the other in the chest. That  
fighter coughs up BLOOD and collapses. The REFEREE checks him.

REFEREE

His heart stopped. He's dead.

TONY

Oh no!

Lisa looks to her side. She is sitting next to a CRIME LORD  
(40s). He looks incredibly dangerous, but:

LISA

Hi! I'm Lisa.

CRIME LORD

I'm your worst fucken nightmare.

LISA

What do you think of the  
tournament so far?

CRIME LORD

I love watching animals fight.

EMCEE

Next up - SKULLMAN and GILMORE.

Aidan looks very pale. He steps into the ring opposite SKULLMAN  
(40s), a tank-sized Zangeif-esque bodybuilder.

LISA

(yelling)  
Go get em tiger!

She winks at the Crime Lord, who smirks.

CRIME LORD

Good one.

The BELL RINGS. SKULLMAN stomps towards Aidan. He swings, Aidan  
dodges and breaks out a fast COMBO, dances around the bigger  
fighter. HITS him in the kidneys. Aidan is doing okay.

TONY

He can fight! Kick his ass dude!

SKULLMAN CLOBBERS him with a haymaker. Aidan goes flying. He gets up and SKULLMAN KICKS him in the chest.

LISA

Fall out of the ring! Aidan! Fall out. Please!

SKULLMAN picks Aidan up and THROWS him hard. Aiden's arm dangles out of the ring. He's unconscious.

LISA

He's limp! End the match!

The Emcee PLACES BETS with the referee.

EMCEE

Put it all on the huge murderer.

SKULLMAN

Time for my first trophy. Ha ha!

He raises arms and the crowd goes wild. Aidan's hand hangs limp. Someone TAGS it.

TONY (O.S.)

Hey! Leave him alone.

Skullman turns. TONY stands on the mat, pathetic and scared.

SKULLMAN

You want some of this?

TONY

No...no please.

TONY gathers his courage. Skullman RUSHES HIM. TONY FLAILS. And something weird happens: TONY's flails land as CRUSHING BLOWS. Skullman's swings HIT AIR. Tony PUMMELS Skullman awkwardly.

Skullman throws a brutal punch - which Tony REDIRECTS so that SKULLMAN PUNCHES HIMSELF OUT OF THE RING. The crowd ERUPTS.

EMCEE

Winner- what's your name?

TONY

Santiago.

EMCEE

Santiago! An unbelievable fight. You're going to the Kumite, kid.



Aidan looks up at Tony in awe and jealousy. Other fighters stare. Lisa looks stunned as the Crime Lord SCREAMS:

CRIME LORD  
He's the greatest fighter I've  
ever seen! I've never seen  
anything like it! Oh my god!

The Emcee takes TONY's hand and holds it up. Off TONY's surprised face...

CUT TO BLACK