

15. REROUTED RECEIVER

As half-time wraps up, the BYU football team prepares to take the field. But wait! It seems that Vai, their star wide receiver, is missing. He's never done something like this before!





**TAKE A LOOK AROUND THE
STADIUM AND SEE IF YOU SEE
ANYTHING STRANGE...**

Wait a gul-darn minute! What are those two remarkably lithe "fans" doing with that burly human-sized burlap sack? Could Vai be in there?





**WHERE ARE THESE
FIENDS TAKING THE
COMMANDEERED COSMOBILE?**

The purloined puma-machine pulls up behind the Tanner Building. Now that you get a good look at the sketchy man-nappers, you recognize them! It's Professors Gueauxcougues and Reisundschäut, two of the ballet faculty! They have been desperately looking for a male lead for their upcoming performance and will stop at nothing to get tenure.

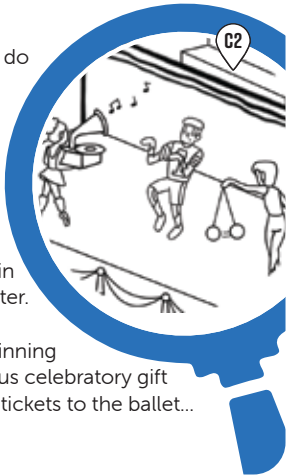




**WHAT DO THEY WANT
WITH VAI?**

When the ballet professors saw Vai do a *grand jeté* over a tackler into the endzone, they knew he had the right stuff. In their secret lair in the RB, they hypnotize him so that when he hears a particular record he is compelled to DANCE!

After the brainwashing, Vai stumbles back to the stadium, just in time for the start of the fourth quarter. As time expires, he catches a forty-one-yard pass to score the winning touchdown. A day later, a mysterious celebratory gift arrives for the team members: free tickets to the ballet...



**IN WHAT YEAR DID
BYU BEGIN PLAYING
INTERCOLLEGIATE FOOTBALL?**

- A** 1875
- B** 1903
- C** 1922
- D** 1984



1922

Before becoming a university, Brigham Young Academy sponsored a football team (beginning in 1896) that played against a variety of regional school and club teams.

BYU played its 100th season in 2024, since the university did not field a team for three years during World War II.





**WILL THIS NEFARIOUS PLOT PAN
OUT? TWO WEEKS LATER, IT'S
SHOWTIME! FOLLOW THE
FELONIOUS FACULTY UNTIL
DISASTER STRIKES...**

Professors Gueauxcougues and Reisundschäut are leaping their way across campus when, in their exuberance, they collide with each other. The record and their dreams of tenure shatter before their eyes. They make their sad way to the Arts Building, driven by a morbid taste for tragedy.





**WHAT DO THE SOON-TO-BE-EX
PROFESSORS FIND AT THE ARTS
BUILDING?**

Lured by the free tickets, the whole football team has packed the theater. The professors arrive and are gobsmacked to discover *Swan Lake* in full swing with Vai in the lead. Afterward, he pulls them aside in the wings and confides, "I was never really hypnotized. You should have just asked me to play the part. *Go Cougs!*"

