

Play With Your Food
Episode 2: No Pineapple is an Island

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FADE IN:

EXT. FARMER'S MARKET - DAY

ONION and KANE, a middle-aged Hawaiian pineapple, pass out pineapple samples and interviews the KIDS. The kids give improvised answers.

KANE

Who wants to taste the nana of nanas, the fruit of fruits, the favorite treat of the Hawaiian Islands - the Pineapple!

KIDS

Me! Me. I do!

KANE

Where do Pineapples come from?

KID #1

You came from that car over there. But my mom gets them from the store.

KANE

Where do you think Pineapples come from?

KID #2

From their mommy.

KANE

Where do you think Pineapples come from?

KID #3

A can.

SHOW INTRO

INSERT ANIMATION #1: A stop-motion animation of pencil sketches (like A-ha's TAKE ON ME video) unfolds as Chef Danny flips through his note pad. The art begins with a pineapple sketch.

CHILD (V.O.)

Pineapples are the most popular tropical fruit. They enjoy the rich soil and warm, wet weather of tropical environments.

Sketches of a flattened globe highlight the areas above and below the equator. He labels this drawing "Tropical".

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
The fruit of the pineapple is
actually many small berries that
grow together into a larger fruit.

Sketches of a pineapple berry morph into the coalescence of
many berries into a pineapple.

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
The plant needs one to two years to
produce a fruit.

The pages flip and animate the progression of the seasons.

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
It's scary on the outside, but
those spines are protecting sweet
and sour deliciousness on the
inside.

Animation: knife cuts through a pineapple. Juices drip.

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
Pineapples are rich in vitamin C.
They also have a powerful protein
that helps you digest food.

Animation: elements coming out of the dripping pineapple.

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
There are many sizes of pineapple.
Miniature pineapples are only four
inches tall and weigh a few ounces.
Giant pineapples are a foot tall
and can weigh twenty pounds!

Animation: tiny pineapple, then a medium-sized one falls next
to the tiny one, then a giant pineapple falls next to the
medium pineapple.

CHILD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
The pineapple adapts well to new
homes. There are more than fifteen
hundred different kinds of
pineapples grown in thirty-six
countries.

Animation: pineapple varieties pinpointing spots on a
flattened glob. Spots of yellow juice drip all over the last
drawing. The drips damage the page.

CHEF DANNY's mouth is full of pineapple.

CHEF DANNY

Sorry.

Onion and Chef Danny walk through a Hawaiian Farmer's Market.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)

Today on Play With Your Food we are
in Hawaii to talk about pineapples.
Pineapples are...

Onion writhes and overreacts to a horrible smell.

ONION

(weeping) Ahh Shallots. That's
awful. Somebody make it stop!

CHEF DANNY

Onion, is everything okay?

ONION

Chef Danny, we traveled all day.
All the way from California, across
the Pacific Ocean.

An Indian Jones-style animation of a red line crossing the
Pacific and arriving at the Hawaiian islands.

ONION (CONT'D)

We should take a break and refresh
ourselves.

Chef Danny and Onion stop in front of a tropical fruit stand.

CHEF DANNY

It is a long way, Onion. Over
twenty-five hundred miles which is
about the same as the distance
between California and New York or
half the distance between -

ONION

Yeah, I get it. We're far from
home. But can we please refresh
ourselves?

CHEF DANNY

What do you mean, Onion?

ONION

Okay, I know you're careful about
washing you hands in the kitchen
but...how can I put this gently?
You stink. You're a stinky chef.

CHEF DANNY

I just showered this morning.

ONION

Stinky, stinky stink Chef. (making himself laugh) The missing stink. A little wishful stinking.

Onion's laughing turns into gagging.

ONION (CONT'D)

I'm gonna be sick.

CHEF DANNY

I do not stink. Do I? (He sniffs)
Whoa! Something does smell funny.
Oh, it's this.

Chef Danny picks up a piece of cut fruit and holds it to Onion's nose.

ONION

Hey, whoa! That's gotta make your breath smell terrible. And this is coming from an Onion!

CHEF DANNY

It's called a Durian. It's a tropical fruit. A lot of people say it smells like rotten onions.

ONION

I was gonna say it smells like my Uncle Herb! (off Danny's look)
Don't ask.

CHEF DANNY

The durian is found in South-East Asia but also grows here in Hawaii. It is known as the king of fruits.

ONION

Well, it's the king of stink!
That's for sure.

Regal Indonesian music blares. A spiky KING DURIAN with a crown and robe appears from the stand.

KING DURIAN

Hoooooow daaaaaare yoooooou!

ONION

Um, I, I, King...

KING DURIAN
 Silence! You filthy, impudent
 field serf! I am King Durian.

The VEGGIES of the tropical fruit stand erupt with cheers.

KING DURIAN (CONT'D)
 My subjects are all TROPICAL
 fruits. We come from special parts
 of the earth near the equator where
 rain and sunshine produce the
 world's most beautiful and
 delicious fruit.

An animation accompanies King Durian's description of
 tropical fruit.

VEGGIES
 (in unison) Tro-pi-cal. Tro-pi-cal.
 Tro-pi-cal.

KING DURIAN
 Silence! (to Onion) The King
 of Stink?

ONION
 I just meant...

KING DURIAN
 Look away!

King Durian breaks character

KING DURIAN (CONT'D)
 Okay, look back over here.

Onion looks at King Durian

KING DURIAN (CONT'D)
 Look away! What art thou? A
 grubby, purple onion conceived in a
 rocky field in California?
 California! Pitiful!

The tropical fruit stand erupts with cheers and jeers.

KING DURIAN (CONT'D)
 And you say I stink! Be gone,
 lowly Onion.

King Durian exits.

ONION

Wow, that guy...

King Durian pokes his head back into frame.

KING DURIAN

Silence!

Onion is crushed. He stumbles away from the tropical fruits and weeps. Appearing out of a farm box is PIÑA, a young pineapple with bangs in his face.

PIÑA

Don't let old King Durian bother you, malihini. He thinks anyone who's not tropical is a loser. (surfer laugh) And braddah, he does stink. I'm Piña the pineapple.

Piña offers Onion a fancy Hawaiian hand shake that ends with the 'hang loose' sign. Onion responds with his own awkward version.

ONION

Piña? Do you think there's anything wrong with growing up in a rocky California field?

PIÑA

No, there's nothing wrong with Onions. All kinds of great food comes from Cali.

ONION

(tries to talk like a surfer)
Awesome, brodah. So you'd be totally cool if YOU were from California?

PIÑA

No waaaay bra! I would totally not be cool being from California! I don't want anything to do with the mainland. I'm never going to California.

Onion begins to weep again. Chef Danny nervously interrupts.

CHEF DANNY

It's great to meet you, Piña. Actually we're here in Hawaii to show our friends everything about you. About pineapples.

PIÑA

Wow! Really? If you guys like Hala Kahiki, come down to our beach party tonight.

Piña grows distant and gloomy.

PIÑA (CONT'D)

Actually, it's kind of a going away party.

Piña chokes up.

PIÑA (CONT'D)

Hey, I gotta go. Big waves. But if you really wanna learn about pineapples, you gotta try the local treat. Pineapple popsicles!

Piña shows Onion and Chef Danny a tray of homemade pineapple popsicles.

CHEF DANNY

That would be great! Mahalo nui loa, Piña!

Piña takes off with his board.

ONION

See you tonight, uh, braddah?

No response.

ONION (CONT'D)

See. King Durian was right, the best foods are tropical.

Onion cries.

ONION (CONT'D)

I want to be from Hawai'i!
(exaggerated pronunciation)

CHEF DANNY

Onion, all foods are great. You should be proud of who you are and where you're from.

Chef Danny eyes the tray of popsicles.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)
 But I do want to try those
 popsicles. (to pineapple vendor)
 Two pineapple popsicles, please.

ELIZABETH, the pineapple popsicle vendor, looks like
 Elizabeth Dole. She is dressed in a pants suit.

ELIZABETH
 Ho brah, jalike? K'den, no act!
 Bombai haole geevum! Grind choke
 kine popsicles.

Onion and Chef Danny are completely perplexed.

CHEF DANNY
 Uh. Yeah.

Chef Danny looks at Onion who shrugs, grabs a popsicle, and
 starts eating. Onion walks away and gobbles down popsicles as
 fast as he can. He grabs his head in pain.

ONION
 Aghhh! I think I broke my bulb. My
 head hurts!

CHEF DANNY
 I think you just joined the
 Tropical Popsicle Club! You got a
 brain freeze!

ONION
 Brain freeze?! Oh no!

Onion dramatically falls into Chef Danny's arms.

ONION (CONT'D)
 Give it to me straight, Chef Danny.
 How long have I got? Remember, I
 don't want to be composted. Put me
 in a stockpot. Call Simone
 Smoothies!

Onion weeps. He wipes his tears on Chef Danny's apron.

CHEF DANNY
 Let's not turn you into soup quite
 yet. I think you're gonna make it.

An animation helps to explain "brain freeze".

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)
 (to camera) A brain freeze happens when you eat cold food too fast, like these popsicles. When something very cold touches the roof of the mouth, your brain creates heat to protect itself from the cold. This causes a sharp but quick headache. (to onion) Don't worry, it only lasts about 30 seconds.

Onion lays quietly, awaiting death.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)
 Are you feeling better?

ONION
 Almost. There's just one thing.

CHEF DANNY
 What?

ONION
 (sniffing) You really could use a shower, braddah.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INSTRUCTIONAL CUTAWAY: PINEAPPLES HISTORY: GUADELOUPE TO HAWAII

Fast paced images of celebrity life - limos, flashing cameras, red carpets, screaming crowds, accompanied by guitar licks. In the style of VH1's "Behind the Music".

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.)
 P. W. Y. F.'s Behind the
 Toothpick.

RYAN CHEESEFEST, the host, is a corny, Hollywood-type piece of Swiss Cheese. He never strays too far from his mirror. He stands on a green screen set.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (CONT'D)
 I'm Ryan Cheesepest, star of PWYF's
 Behind the Toothpick.

He looks in the mirror and check his hair.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (CONT'D)

Like me, Ryan Cheesepest, the pineapple is adored by millions of screaming fans all over the world.

A Pineapple wears dark sunglasses and waves to adoring fans. He signs autographs while fans throw leis and scream.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (CONT'D)

Let's look back at this tasty tropical fruit before he became famous. Let's look, Behind the Toothpick.

Sixteen millimeter film style home movies of a Carib Indian Village. A young pineapple carries water from a well and waves to the camera.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Before this sweet star shot to world-wide fame he was a little-known South-American native named Ananas. His name Ananas means excellent fruit. Was this a sign he would one day be a star? I think so.

Image of South America. Routes from Central and South America to the many islands of The Caribbean sprout up.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)

This excellent fruit was raised by the Carib Indians in South America. The Carib brought the pineapple to the islands that now bear their name - The Caribbean. It was on the coast of Guadeloupe in 1493 that Christopher Columbus met the future star.

Columbus, a shady agent-type, hands the young pineapple dark sunglasses and invites him on board.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Because of their pinecone shape, Columbus called the fruit piña de indes, the pine of the Indies.

Animation of a pineapple and a pinecone.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 Columbus brought ananas back to Europe and added apple as a stage name. Pineapple, as we know it, was born. Europeans couldn't get enough sweet pineapple!

Papparazzi snap photos of the young pineapple with Charles II and other European icons.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 Like The Beatles and the broccoli, Pineapple finally came to North America.

Pineapple exits an airplane (a la Beatles landing in America).

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 It was here George Washington, the nation's first president, declared pineapple his favorite fruit.

Washington crosses The Delaware, pineapple held aloft.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 For a little native plant from South America, this was the big time. So how did this hunky herbaceous end up playing the lead role in Hawaii?

Images of Captain Hook replaced by James Cook and the routes of The Endeavor.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 Explorer Captain Cook, not Hook, introduced pineapple to the islands in 1770, but it wasn't until 1903 that super-grower James Dole moved to Hawaii with a thousand bucks and a dream to make pineapples a household name.

Images of the Dole plantation, canned pineapple.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 Today, Hawaii produces over two-hundred thousand tons of pineapple a year. That may seem like a lot but it's only 10% of the world's pineapple crop.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (CONT'D)

This sweet celeb is also grown in Mexico, Philippines, Thailand, and many other countries.

Pineapples sprout up all over the globe. Zoom in over Hawaii.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (V.O.) (CONT'D)

And so, this much-adored fruit was born thousands of miles from the Hawaiian islands and even farther from the glitz and glamour of the celebrity life. His journey took him from the simple life of the Carib, to the monarchs of Europe, to the leaders of the free world, to your fruit bowl.

Ryan Cheesefest looks in a mirror.

RYAN CHEESEFEST (CONT'D)

For Behind the Toothpick, I'm, Ryan Cheesefest. Yes I am.

EXT. BEACH PARTY - SUNSET

A noisy beach party filled with people and puppets. Chef Danny and Onion meet a middle-aged pineapple couple Kane and WAHINI, Piña's parents.

KANE AND WAHINI

Aloha! Welcome!

CHEF DANNY

It was really nice of Piña to invite us, Kane.

KANE

We always show new friends the aloha spirit of love and hospitality.

ONION

Wow! I wish I had the aloha spirit.

KANE

But you do, Onion! Everyone can have the aloha spirit.

ONION

Yeah, I guess, but I wasn't born tropical. My family originally came from Italy, but, the truth is I'm, uh, from California.

KANE
You're from California?

The group gasps, grows quiet, and awaits Kane's reaction.

KANE (CONT'D)
That's great! (laughing) We have
family there.

Chef Danny makes the "hang loose" sign. Kane mimics Chef
Danny and they both laugh.

WAHINI
Onion, Piña's down at his board
shack and could use someone to talk
to.

KANE
Chef Danny, would you like to help
me make my famous pineapple
popsicles?

CHEF DANNY
I wouldn't have much Aloha spirit
if I said no!

EXT. PIÑAS BOARD SHACK - CONTINUOUS

Onion finds Piña in his board shack, a small clubhouse on the
beach. The water can be seen from the shack. The moon
reflects off the soft-rolling waves.

The walls are lined with surfboards. Above the boards are
shelves with trophies. Piña swings in a hammocks that hangs
from the ceiling.

ONION
Wow, what a great party. (beat.) Ya
know, I never thought about how
boring my hometown was till I got
here to Hawaii. When I was a
sprout the most exciting thing we
ever did was radish rolling.

Piña looks at Onion.

ONION (CONT'D)
It's like turnip tipping, but with
radishes. Oh, and no butter.

Confused, Piña cracks a smile.

ONION (CONT'D)

It doesn't matter. Since I learned about being tropical, I realize being an Onion from California isn't much to be proud of. California is awful compared to Hawaii. You're the luckiest kid in the world.

Piña struggles to hold back tears.

ONION (CONT'D)

I get it - I'm an onion, I make people cry when my cell walls...

PIÑA

No, no. It's not you. It's just that...I'm scared.

ONION

(spit fire) Are you scared of the dark because I used to be scared of the dark but now I sleep with a Shelly the Shallot dolly. A lot of Onions would be embarrassed, but not me. Not at all.

PIÑA

No, bra. I'm scared because my dad got a new job and my whole family has to leave the islands and move to California.

Piña bursts into tears.

ONION

Uh, are those your surfing trophies?

PIÑA

Not just mine. Some are my dad's from when he was a pineapple grommet.

ONION

Wow. This place is really special.

PIÑA

It usually makes me feel better but tonight I feel worse. I'm gonna miss this place most of all.

PIÑA (CONT'D)

I can't believe I'm trading all of this for concrete, traffic and your rocky onion fields.

ONION

Listen, California is great. It's beautiful and (singing) California, Here I come! You know, it's the world's bread-bucket, roll-basket, I mean breadbasket.

PIÑA

You just said California is awful.

ONION

Did I? Well, I didn't mean that all of California. Ya know, sometimes I'm a real allium. At least that's what Simone tells me.

Onion whips out a photo of Simone Smoothies and shows it to Piña.

ONION (CONT'D)

Simone Smoothies. The most beautiful strawberry in the world.

PIÑA

Wow! Are all the fruit in California this beautiful?

ONION

No. The vegetables are too!

Three conch blasts make Piña sit up.

PIÑA

It's popsicle time.

ONION

(frantic) S-L-O-W-L-Y! Eat them slowly.

Piña, confused, looks at Onion.

ONION (CONT'D)

You know, to keep our brains warm.

PIÑA

You make me laugh, bra. You really want to know what it's like to be a pineapple in Hawaii? Come on.

EXT. BEACH PARTY - CONTINUOUS

Piña and Onion enter and the crowd cheers. Popsicles are given out to the crowd. The "Pineapple Song", performed by a celebrity guest musician, begins.

Music video for natural beauty, food, lifestyle and culture.

BEGIN MONTAGE:

Piña at Kilauea, spouting horn, and Uauma falls.

Hanauma beach. Onion and Chef Danny roll in the tide a la "From Here to Eternity".

Piña plays a ukulele and sings traditional Hawaiian songs with his family. Chef Danny dances a hula dressed in a hula skirt and coconut bikini top.

Traditional Hawaiian barbecue, tropical fruit, poi, and poke. Piña brings a roasted pig out of the ground and Onion is revealed in its mouth. He gives the Shaka.

Busy Oahu streets, farmers, coast-line hotels. Chef Danny, Onion and Piña get towed into a giant wave (Hawaii FIVE-O theme). Onion is thrown from the wave.

Onion, Piña and Danny on an airplane. Chef Danny points out the window to reveal California.

Hollywood walk of fame, Frank Gehry's Disney hall, murals on El Camino Real, UCLA library, the Whiskey a go-go with The Red Hot Chili Peppers on stage. Onion plays the drums. Chef Danny and Piña cheer wildly in the audience.

Taco trucks, sushi, farmer's markets, Korean bbq, Thomas Keller. Chef Danny puts the finishing touches on a dish, Onion enters the kitchen and knocks the dish off the counter. Piña rises from the other side of the counter, covered in the food. He wipes the food from his face and licks it off his hand. A smile spreads over his face.

Sunset Boulevard, farmers, Silicon Valley, San Francisco, Beverly Hills, a West Hollywood nightclub with a red velvet rope and long line. The door opens on a red Bentley. Onion, hairy-chested, exits with his friends and walks toward the doorman (a la Reservoir Dogs/Swingers). The doorman admits Chef Danny and Piña, looks at the guest list, grabs Onion and throws him out.

Yosemite, Santa Cruz, Mammoth, Sequoias, Golden Gate Bridge. Piña effortlessly drops into a monster wave at Maverick's. Onion cheers wildly and does not see the wave closing in from

behind him. Onion clutches his dolly as he soars down the steep face.

EXT. CALIFORNIA BEACH - SUNSET

Final chord of song resolves. Chef Danny, Onion and Piña laugh on a beautiful California beach.

PIÑA

Hey Onion, I think your Shelly the Shallot dolly is a better surfer than you are!

Chef Danny, Onion, and Piña laugh.

PIÑA (CONT'D)

I gotta admit, I had a great time with you two. Cali is great.

Onion begins to sob.

CHEF DANNY

Hey, Buddy, what's wrong?

ONION

I was seduced by the tropical beauty of Hawaii. I forgot my roots. I'm an Onion from a field in California and I'm proud. I love to travel but I'm so happy to be home.

PIÑA

You know what, Onion? I think I might be happy to be home too.

CHEF DANNY

Come on, everybody's waiting.

INT - CHEF DANNY'S KITCHEN - DAY

Chef Danny, JOSIE, 6, Kane and Onion are in Chef Danny's kitchen.

KANE

Which one of these is frozen?

JOSIE

This one.

KANE

Good. How do you know?

JOSIE
Cause its hard as a rock . And
cold. (makes a scrunched face)

CHEF DANNY
You're right, Josie.

Animation of the liquid versus solid accompanies the following.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)
Water is made up of tiny pieces
called molecules. When water is
liquid the molecules move quickly
and all over the place. This
freedom to move allows water to
flow.

ONION
So, ice comes from that magic
faucet?

Josie laughs. Chef Danny shakes his head. He reaches for an
ice cube.

KANE
When water freezes it changes from
liquid to solid. The water
molecules move less as they get
colder. They become stiff like
these crystals. Aren't they
beautiful?

JOSIE
They look like diamonds.

ONION
So, diamonds come from the magic
faucet?

CHEF DANNY
Here, I'll show you. Let's do an
experiment.

Chef Danny fills a plastic cup with water.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)
First, fill the plastic cup with
water. The water is room
temperature and in its liquid form.

JOSIE

Onion, see how it moves around and touches the sides of the cup? Its not ice yet.

Chef Danny spills some water on Onion on purpose. Josie laughs.

CHEF DANNY

Let's put this top on the cup so it doesn't spill anymore.

Chef Danny fastens a lid on the cup.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)

Now put the cup in the freezer, and freeze it overnight.

ONION

When are we using the magic faucet?

CHEF DANNY

We're not.

ONION

If I had a magic faucet, I'd let everyone...

CHEF DANNY

There is no magic faucet. Onion, we're going to use the freezer. The freezer is one of the most important kitchen appliances.

JOSIE

And it's usually attached to the refrigerator.

KANE

Josie, remember what we said about water molecules?

JOSIE

Yeah. When they get cold they move slowly and become crystals. When they move around fast they flow and are liquid.

CHEF DANNY

Onion, why don't you put this cup in the freezer?

Onion opens and closes the freezer very quickly.

ONION

Can we see if it's frozen yet?

JOSIE

Onion, it will be there overnight.

ONION

(yawns) Okay, well, I guess I'm gonna hit the hay.

CHEF DANNY

Onion, its eleven a.m.

Onion now has his pajamas on. He yawns and stretches.

ONION

Buenas noches, Chef Danny. See you tomorrow, Josie. Aloha, Kane.

Onion clutches his Shelly the Shallot doll and falls asleep. The sun shines through the blinds, turns to dark, then light again.

Chef Danny holds a frozen cup of water to Onion's cheek. Onion springs up.

CHEF DANNY

(as if no time had passed) After about twelve hours, take the cup from the freezer. And look what happened to the water?

JOSIE

The molecules are cold and slow! It's a solid.

KANE

Right! The freezer is great for preserving things like soup, meat, and veggies.

JOSIE

And also for making delicious frozen treats like popsicles.

ONION

Hey! Where's the top? Did I miss something when I was sleeping?

CHEF DANNY

Water takes up more space when it freezes.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)

As the water changes to ice it expands and pushes the top off the cup.

ONION

So, if you froze me, I would get bigger and taller and stronger. I think I am gonna spend a couple of hours in the freezer.

Onion climbs in the freezer.

ONION (CONT'D)

Shut the door behind me!

CHEF DANNY, KANE, AND JOSIE

No Onion, no!

INSTRUCTIONAL CUTAWAY - LANGUAGE

Kane stands in a pineapple field. Floating images of people in kitchens, restaurants, and at street fairs as they sell, buy and eat pineapple.

KANE

In the islands they call us Hala Kahiki. In other places, the word for pineapple is ananas. And all over the world, we have wonderfully different names.

BEGIN MONTAGE:

Each image contains the translated pineapple word, a pineapple dish, and the people and music from each culture.

Brazil. Abacaxi. Cassata de abacaxi (pineapple cake)

Mexico. Piña. Tamal de piña (pineapple tamale)

Thailand. Sobpard Khao phat Sobpard (pineapple fried rice)

India. Kashuda Ch-hakka (in Malayalam). Pineapple Rasam (spicy pineapple soup)

Kenya. Nanasi. Gedi pineapple salad.

United States. Pineapple. Pineapple popsicles.

INT. CHEF DANNY'S KITCHEN - DAY.

Chef Danny, Kane and MANUEL, an eight year old boy, prepare ingredients for making pineapple popsicles.

CHEF DANNY

Today we're going to show you how to make Kane's famous pineapple popsicles.

MANUEL

I am so excited, Kane.

KANE

Me too!

Chef Danny picks up each ingredient as he explains the recipe.

CHEF DANNY

We're going to take two cups of diced, fresh pineapple, one cup of freshly squeezed orange juice, the juice from one lime, and a quarter cup of coconut flakes.

MANUEL

(to Kane) I thought I hated coconut.

KANE

Oh no. Sometimes, we think we don't like a new food but it's really because we just have never tried it.

CHEF DANNY

That's why it's important to try new things.

MANUEL

You didn't add the secret ingredient.

KANE

He's right.

CHEF DANNY

Finish by adding three tablespoons of plain yogurt. The yogurt gives the popsicle a smooth texture and makes it melt evenly so it doesn't get all over your hands.

KANE

And yogurt is a source of protein, which helps you use your brain!

KANE (CONT'D)

These pineapples are healthy and delicious.

CHEF DANNY

Let's mix up the ingredients.

Chef Danny shows a whisk and mixes the ingredients

MANUEL

Chef Danny, if these are Pineapple popsicles, why are we using lime and orange juice?

CHEF DANNY

That's a great question, Manuel. When food is frozen, its taste gets turned way down. The sweetness of the orange juice and the tart bite of the lime helps to turn the flavor up.

MANUEL

Sounds good to me. Let's pour our mixture into the ice molds.

Manuel pours the mixture into multi-colored ice pop molds.

CHEF DANNY

And into the freezer.

Chef Danny puts the popsicles into the freezer.

CHEF DANNY (CONT'D)

It usually takes about two hours for your popsicles to freeze. In the meantime, let's talk about the gaseous state of matter and how temperature fluctuations help make a freezer freeze.

Kane and Manuel roll their eyes.

MANUEL

Here he goes!

The hands of a clock indicate an hour passing in time.

Chef Danny rambles on about science. Manuel and Kane are fast asleep.

CHEF DANNY

Now, CFC and HCFC refrigerants deplete the ozone so now HFC-134a is the gas of choice. Interesting story about the ozone layer...

An alarm bell goes off and wakes Kane and Manuel. They ignore Chef Danny and head straight for the freezer.

KANE

Popsicle time!

Chef Danny, Kane and Manuel taste the popsicles.

MANUEL, KANE, CHEF DANNY

Mmmm!

KANE

These are great! They remind me of home.

MANUEL

I think I could eat all of them.

Chef Danny, Kane and Manuel laugh and eat popsicles.

CHEF DANNY

So, like I was saying, HFC-134a is less likely to deplete the ozone layer.

Kane and Manuel put their heads in their hands.

INSTRUCTIONAL CUTAWAY: PINEAPPLES IN ART AND CULTURE

The back of chair has a pineapple carved into it. Below the carving are words carved in African.

NARRATOR

Ukila nanasi, tunda lingine basi.
Once you taste a pineapple, you'll never go for any other fruit.

Zoom into the pineapple carving. Zoom out to a new pineapple that sits by the gate to a native, Carib village.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

La piña significa que son bienvenidos! A pineapple left by the entrance of a South American Carib village means visitors are welcome.

Zoom into the pineapple. Zoom out to a pineapple, painted in oils. It is the 1675 painting by Hendrik Danckerts of Charles II being presented with the first pineapple grown in England.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

I demand our portrait be painted
with this Pineapple, what what!

Zoom into the pineapple painting. Zoom out to a pineapple growing in the gardens of Versailles.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

Je veux que ce excellents fruits
dans mon jardin. Pineapples were
once considered a sign of such
wealth and importance that they
were grown in the gardens of French
Kings.

Zoom into the pineapple. Zoom out to a pineapple, sitting on a bookshelf.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

Boluó shì hao fengshu. The Chinese
word for pineapple, Boluó, sounds
much like the words for "good luck
coming your way". That's why the
pineapple is a Chinese symbol of
wealth and prosperity.

Zoom into the pineapple. Zoom out to a pineapple field. A naked foot runs passed it.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

When a Caribbean boy could run
through the pineapple field without
flinching - he was considered a
man.

Zoom into the pineapple. Zoom out to a globe with a pineapple-shaped land mass.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

No matter where you are, the
pineapple means warmth, friendship,
affection and hospitality.

A series of images: A ship captain placing a pineapple on his dock, pineapples as centerpieces, on furniture, jewelry, in architecture, shots of Pine Apple, Alabama, shots of the Kaamulan Festival in The Philippines, and Spongebob's house.

Zoom into Spongebob's house. Zoom out to the chair from the beginning. The lights change and the silhouette is revealed. It's Piña. He shrugs as if to say, "What can I say? I'm awesome."

EXT. PINEAPPLE BEACH HOUSE - SUNSET

Chef Danny, Onion and Piña walk into the yard of The Pineapples' new home. The yard is on a hill above the sea. The Pacific spreads out behind them.

A large group of puppets and kids have gathered for a housewarming party.

PASTAFARIAN

Welcome to your new home, Piña.

CHEF DANNY

Look at all of these people!

KANE

Yeah. Some of them are our new neighbors but some of our friends from the islands traveled all the way out here to help us get settled?

CHEF DANNY

Now that's the Aloha spirit. Speaking of which, Roger?

ROGER, 5, appears with a box of popsicles.

ROGER

Are you ready for these?

Kane takes the popsicles and addresses the crowd.

KANE

Thank you all for coming to our housewarming. It's true we will miss the islands. But we are excited about our new home.

Kane licks a pineapple popsicle to huge applause.

KANE (CONT'D)

And we've still got our favorite Hawaiian treat.

SIMONE

And since it is a time for new homes, new friends and new experiences, I brought strawberry popsicles.

The crowd cheers.

VEGGIES

We also brought mixed fruit popsicles!

The crowd cheers and laughs. Everyone grabs a popsicle.

CHEF DANNY

Today we learned plants and people move all over the world. A new home can be as much a part of you as the place where you grew up.

ONION

And it's great to travel, and it's always nice to come home.

KANE

We learned how ice crystals form and how yogurt can keep them from locking together so you get a smooth, yummy texture.

Manuel eats a strawberry popsicle.

MANUEL

Simone, these strawberry popsicles are great! I learned to give new foods a chance. If you don't try new foods, you'll never know what you might be missing.

The crowd agrees and all try new popsicles.

ELIZABETH

And braddah aznuts fo' shua like beef, he lolo buggah no grind planny dakine ono!

Everyone stops and looks confused.

JOSIE

Um. Yeah. And now we know about molecules. The freezer slows them down until a liquid turns solid.

ROGER

We pineapples have a long history and play a big role in food and culture all over the globe.

PIÑA

Most importantly, we learned no matter where you are, you gotta love yourself. Wherever you go, you are the one person who is sure to move there with you.

PELE, a beautiful, young female pineapple in a bikini, holds Simone's hand and bats her eyes at Piña.

PELE

And you just might find someone to love you when you get there.

Pele whispers in Simone's ear. The two girls laugh and wave at Piña. Onion gives Piña the thumbs up and Danny puts his arm around Piña and pulls him aside.

CHEF DANNY

Hey Piña, we've got another surprise for you.

Chef Danny and Onion bring Piña down a path to a spot overlooking the sea. A large sheet hangs from a tree.

ONION

Welcome to California.

Chef Danny tears down the sheet to reveal a surfboard shack.

PIÑA

Now this really is home. Thank you so much!

Piña opens the door to the board shack revealing KING DURIAN asleep on a hammock. King Durian wakes up startled.

KING DURIAN

Silence!

An instrumental version of the "Pineapple Song" begins to play.

INT. BOARD SHACK - CONTINUOUS

Credits roll as children play with Piña and Onion.

ZOE

Ananas, Ananas, Ananas, Ananas,
Ananas, Ananas...ABACAXI!

Zoe tags Juliard and the game ensues.

JULIARD

Ananas, Ananas, Ananas, Ananas,
Ananas, Ananas...SABPARD!

Juliard tags WINTHORPE and the game ensues.

WINTHORPE

Ananas, Ananas, Ananas, Ananas,
Ananas, Ananas...PIÑA!

The game continues until the credits end.

FADE OUT.