

## **Episode 11: Golf Ball Hail Put Put with Goodie Gofer and the Molemen**

**Buni**

Stretching her tired muscles and fluffing her tail, she looks out the window only to see that the clouds cast an undesirable glow. Hopping out to the balcony she looks down. Her friends from the underground are lounging on the field of darkness with tanning panels and fancy drinks in lawn chairs. Waving excitedly she says: Hi guys!

**Molemen:**

Buni! Come down, the weather is positively sublime.

**Buni**

Sublime!

Buni runs through the sleepy castle of critters who are taking the day of cloud coverage as a reprieve to peacefully read books of all kinds and sleep a few hours extra than they would have during an otherwise sunny day.

**Buni**

Are you still using that tunnel through the kitchen!

**Moleman**

Of course dear. No one notices when the tunnels get darker -- no one likes the darkness except for us moles. It is when we have the most fun. Later we plan to dance in the rain.

**Buni**

No!

**Moleman**

Surely. Will you join

**Buni**

It seems a good time as ever

**Moleman**

We thought you may join. We brought you a chair as well

\*Buni sits down in the extended armchair next to the molemen who are wearing sunglasses, despite the cloudy day.

**Buni**

Thank you!

Moleman  
Certainly

After a few moments of silence with only the music of sublime oscillating in the background, moleman continues unrushedly

Moleman (Continued)  
Now Buni, have you made the man a king

Buni  
I have not said a word to him. He is too afraid to speak with me

Moleman  
Oh dear, you need a man who will talk back to all you have to say but I cannot be without some sympathy toward the lad. Travel the world and meet friends as great as us and you cannot blame the man. There cannot be so much more to say, except that, your highness is perfect.

Buni  
They all say that! He must have thought there would be some extra life in these buni bones than just the mundane! I can not simply just be here for him and nothing else!

Moleman  
Certainly not.

Buni  
Do you sit out here often

Moleman  
Only when the castle is asleep

Buni  
Even when I was queen

Moleman  
Darling, you are still queen. Do not think that the lack of hand makes you any less than a man

Buni  
So have you

Moleman  
No one pays attention to the darkness my dear. Everyone is afraid of the things that do not glow.

Buni

So you do this frequently, then (laughing)

Moleman

And now you are invited! Before we knew you, we had to hide from you too!

Buni

Thank you for inviting me this time!

Moleman

Certainly

Buni

Would you like to be invited to court? This is the only place I can invite you in return. I do not have such shenanigans to play as you. My life is quite serious.

Moleman

(laughing) We have our own court. Although, our castle costs much less than yours

Buni

(Speacheless)

Moleman

Did you hear that sound!

Buni

What

Moleman

Lightning has an echo, or do you not know

Buni

I cannot hear it

Moleman

Sit still enough and that which you cannot hear you will see soon enough

Buni

Ouch! (A piece of hail falls on her head, she shakes her tail and taps her head)

Moleman

Sure enough, the echo is quieter than before

Buni  
What

Moleman  
We were expecting to go swimming today but instead it seems that today will be filled with a day of golf--gooooofer!

A gofer pops up out of one of the holes underneath buni's chair. She jumps up into the air as an eager gopher runs up to the moleman excitedly

Moleman (continued)  
Please retrieve my clubs

Gopher  
Cubs!

Gopher returns with a few lions, tigers and bears on leashes that are running in every direction. Gopher almost loses his golf hat off his head as the cubs run all over the place

Moleman  
No, no. Put those back! (He hides the cubs with this small body so that buni does not see. Buni pretends not to see but still gives moleman an odd look.)

Buni  
Those do not belong underground

Moleman  
I need my poles for hitting balls with! It is the perfect day for a round of ice golf!

Gopher  
Oi! Yes!

Gopher brings the wrestling cubs back down a hole and reappears with a bag of golf clubs

Moleman  
That is it! Yes! Thank you!

Moleman took his umbrella down and walked out into the storm. The doors rider of the storm plays while Moleman sets up his umbrella with the head of a golf club that he breaks off the end of the stick.

Moleman

We will need balls for pool later

Moleman hands the end of the golf club that now no longer has a head to the gopher and takes a swing with his umbrella. The lightning that passes across the sky electrifies the metal as it flies into the sky and creates a dispersion effect of the single bolt on the spherical moving object.

Buni jumps up and shouts ouch!

Moleman

You need rubber boots! Electricity does not shock things that are rubber. Here.

Moleman hands buni a pair of hot pink rubber boots.

Moleman (continued)

Helps with the puddles too

Moleman and Buni proceed to jump in puddles on the castle field while throwing metal spheres into the sky with their umbrellas. The electricity causes objects on the ground to rise but Buni and Moleman remain safe in their rubber boots, with only just static hair standing straight up. Moleman yells over the sound of the storm as the two critters float straight up in the air.

Moleman

Open your umbrella!

As the electricity disappears the two critters began to fall again but stay safe with their umbrella golf clubs.

Buni

Yippee!

Moleman

When the rain clears we can make little lines in the grass so the water can move safely too

Buni

Racing raindrops like down the window!

Moleman

Exactly. But with a rougher and flatter surface I am not sure the raindrops will move so quickly

When the storm cleared and rainbows lit the sky, Moleman put the umbrella away and grabbed the clubs without any heads. Like catching butterflies the two critter collected raindrops off the blades of grass.

Buni

How do the drops cling to the clubs like this

Moleman

FRICTION -- and some hydrogen polar bonds. They are extra sticky after there is electricity

Buni

Woah

Moleman

We can race them over there!

Moleman points excitedly to a dirt patch that is left unfinished by the utility barn on the grounds. The two drew a race track in the mud and placed their collected raindrops into the mud.

Buni

Oh! The drops disappeared

Moleman

Maybe the stickiness is not so good on the mud ground

Moleman shrugged.

Moleman (continued)

I just thought of this actually. I do not know what else to do with broken golf clubs.

Buni

Oh boy! My mom would be so angry if I broke such nice things as this

Moleman

But was it worth it

Buni

THAT WAS ELECTRIC!

Moleman (chuckling)

We will have to do it again and find something to do with these broken pieces...

Buni

If we had more we could make a jungle gym

Moleman

That is a very good idea...I can find more golf clubs but we will need a bigger golf team to entertain all the broken pieces

Buni

The bottom part though

Moleman

Yes! Exactly. I usually just give the top pieces to moleman manson because he is always losing his walking stick...see we moles are blind. Always in a need of a new walking stick.

Moleman manson pops up out of one the holes where the head of the golf club fell for a hole in one.

Moleman manson

HEY! I heard a kurplunk!

Moleman

Oh yes that was just buni and I playing golf

Moleman manson

Oh good! I just lost my walking stick again

Moleman

We have an extra! I have a bad feeling we will be having good weather for a while now that the queen is smiling.

Moleman manson

Oh rats!

Three blind mice pop out of the hole with Moleman manson and ask blindly ÈsticksÉ

Moleman

Get out of here rats! These walking sticks are too big for you

Three blind mice

Rats

Moleman

Buni! You cleared up the storm! I have to go until next time!

Buni

Hopping up and down in her new hot pink rubber boots she waves Moleman goodbye as she disappears into the hole beneath her home.

*Kiki Swoops down a rainbow that is still shining in the aftermath of the storm*

Buni

Kiki Kiki How did we lift off the ground!

Kiki

I could not see anything below the clouds. What happened!

Buni

We made golf clubs glow with electricity!

Kiki

Wow electricity!

Buni

And then we started floating off the ground like the count did. Do we have to go see the magic man again

Count (shouting from the window)

BUNI! Where did you go again!

Kiki

Oh no! Not this time, that is just the magic of electricity!

Electricity can cause polarization. Like a magnet! When there is a north side and south side on a magnet the opposites stick together but when a north end and north end are together, they repel or float away. Electricity causes this by the direction it moves! Like a circle, like the earth rotating on its poles, electricity moves in circles all around us! By introducing a piece of metal into the circuit like you did you can change the direction. When the direction changes there is a mismatch between where things are supposed to go and so then there is a pushing effect just like the magnet! Things like to go to the places where they are supposed to, just like little critters to their friends who love them dearest!

That is how you floated! You messed up the circle while you were inside it and so everything repelled! It is incredibly dangerous to play with powerful forces like this but the moleman always stay grounded. They have been doing this for years so they know what they are doing. Most people can get in real trouble playing with things this way without safety precautions like your rubber boots!

Buni

Do you like them!

Kiki

They are beautiful



Count  
BUNI!

Kiki  
Here, I will give you a lift back to where you are supposed to go, Buni.

Count  
Who stopped the rain

End credits: Who will stop the rain, credence clearwater revival