Evan: Character Profile

Basic Information

Full Name: Evan Foster MurphyNickname: Murph or Murphy

Age: 14 years oldOccupation: Student

• Role in Story: Secondary character, Daniel's best friend, informant under duress

General Physical Description (can vary)

• Height: 5'6"

• Hair: Light brown, shaggy

• Eyes: Green

 Distinguishing Features: Freckles across the bridge of his nose, usually wears a baseball cap backward

Personality

- General Traits: Outgoing, friendly, and charming
- Strengths: Quick-witted, resourceful, optimistic
- Weaknesses: Impulsive, deceptive (due to circumstances), struggles with ethical dilemmas
- Hobbies: Playing video games, skateboarding, and amateur photography
- Values: Friendship, family, personal freedom
- Motivation: Protection of his family under the blackmail threat

Backstory

- **Family**: Comes from a "typical" home. Father (Jim Murphy) is an accountant, while the mother (Sarah Murphy) is a stay-at-home mom.
- Education: Goes to the same school as Daniel, good student but not outstanding
- **Secret**: He and his family have been blackmailed by government agents to act as an informants due to undisclosed financial indiscretions made by his father. The government threatens to imprison or even kill his father if they don't comply.

Arc in Story

- **Initial Relationship with Daniel**: Best friends since childhood, almost inseparable. Their friendship is rooted in shared interests and deep emotional connection.
- **Conflict**: Struggles internally with the secret he has to keep from Daniel. Begins distancing himself a bit from Daniel without revealing the reason.
- **Turning Point**: Forced to report Daniel and Isaiah's suspicious activities, leading to a chain of events that put them in danger.

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- **Resolution**: The guilt becomes too much to bear, eventually confesses to Daniel, who is already embroiled in conflict and danger, partly due to Evan's information.
- **Ending**: Faced with the dire consequences of his actions, Evan takes a stand against the government agents, which either redeems him in the eyes of Daniel or further deepens the rift between them, depending on how the story unfolds.

Relationships

- **Daniel**: Best friend, almost like a brother. The relationship becomes strained due to Evan's secret informant role.
- Isaiah: Knows him as Daniel's father, respects him but not particularly close.

Important Objects/Tools

- **Cellphone**: Uses it for communication but also as a device to collect information for government agents.
- **Skateboard**: A symbol of his lost innocence and simpler times.

Theme Elements

- **Faith/Betrayal**: Evan's arc will explore the gray areas between loyalty and betrayal, good intentions and bad outcomes, and whether faith in friendship can redeem him.
- Moral Ambiguity: His actions bring into question the nature of good and evil, as he's
 forced to do bad things for what he perceives to be the right reasons (to protect his
 family).

Additional Skills (Optional but Preferred):

- Comfortable with action sequences or physical challenges, reflecting Evan's streetsmart and agile nature.
- Ability to do a specific or regional accent if required by the script.

Miscellaneous Notes:

Actors auditioning for Evan should be prepared for emotionally complex scenes that require them to show restraint and intensity, often within the same line if dialogue. The character is integral to the emotional and ethical core of the story, offering a multifaceted reflection of Daniel's own beliefs and challenges.