

## **LITTLE CAESAR 8.26.07**

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1. Rico and pal at diner. Resetting clock, some small scam. Rico sees in paper mobster killed. Says he wants to be big like that. Pal wants girls, wants to dance, doesn't have heart, but will do a little. Rico says we leave tonight for city.
2. Rico meets crime boss, asks to come on team. Boss agrees. Intros him to boys, says don't be so quick on trigger.
3. Pal in nightclub gets job for 100 a week, with girl. Back at her apartment, she kisses him, then finds his gun. Questions.
4. Rico with boss at sitdown, quick to pull gun, boss says chill. Guys come in to meet, talk about heat. Kick Rico out. Then later in hall, they give Rico a hard time about gun.
5. Rico in bosses office. Giving him a hard time, says pal joe late, no good. Rico says good, he's class. Rico hot. Studying plans. Boss rips them up, says I plan only. Nightclub job. Rico storms out. Boss says he'll learn.
6. In hall rico sees joe, he's late, says theyl be robbing his club. Joe freaked. Rico insists.
7. New years eve at club. Owner wants guy to drink, turns out guy is head crime fighter, offended, leaving. On way out hoods come in to rob. He has minor scuffle with rico, rico shoots him.
8. Joe comes home, sees olga, upset crime head shot. She says this not for you, you're out.
9. Gang gets back to office, boss mad at Rico, says you shot head cop, we are in bad shape. They discuss tony, driver, he's getting rid of cars. We see tony hit a telephone pole nervous. Rico hides in secret room while detectives show, say they found car, phony plates. Boss gets rid of them. Rico comes out, says boss is soft, he's taking over. Gang goes along. Boss agrees to stay in gang.
10. Tony at home talking to mom, she says he's out all night, drinks, should eat spaghetti. Used to be a good boy in church. Tony decides to confess to father, hugs mom.
11. Tony runs into gang guy on street, he says we have split, tony doesn't

- want, guy says take split or Rico mad. Then guy tells Rico, Rico says let's go. He and Sam go and shoot tony on church steps.
12. Big funeral for tony, Rico has spared no expense, parade.
  13. Party for Rico, boss toasts him, they give him watch. He's happy. Friendship and loyalty. Rico makes speech, photogs show up. Then cops. Cop tells Rico he'll get him, watch been stolen from store. Rico says get out, plays with watch
  14. Next day rival boss arnie sees pic in paper, says Rico cutting in on territory, I have boys out to kill Rico. Joe walking by overhears, calls gang. They run to tell Rico, he's out buying papers with his picture. Thugs shoot him from car, but only graze. Main Cop shows up, hassles him, he says fuck off. Cop says he'll get him.
  15. Rico and boys go to arnie's hq, muscle in, rico says he's taking over, get out of town. Mention of bigger boss.
  16. Paper reads arnie left town. Boys laugh. Big boss reads somewhere.
  17. Sam telling wounded Rico that he's famous. Rico says don't ever be scared of big guys. All good.
  18. Rico dressing up in tux. At first doesn't like, then tells otero it feels ok.
  19. Rico meets big boss, is made underboss of north side.
  20. Sees otero, says he will rule all soon. Joe arrives, rico tells otero he heard cop might have got info from joe. Sees joe, impresses with fancy place. Tells joe I need you back to run crew, too big for one man. I need you, I made you, I trust you. Joe says no, he is legit now, dancer. Rico says he must be involved or he will kill him and girlfriend. Joe flees.
  21. Joe gets home, girlfriend calls police captain against his objections. Rico and otero arrive. Rico goes to kill joe but can't do it. Otero shoots but only wounds him. Cops arrive with captain, they escape, otero is killed. Joe tells captain Rico runs mob.
  22. Rico hiding out. Cops arrest other gang members. Rico hides out at ma's grocery in secret compartment. Cops search don't find.
  23. Argue over money. She will only give him 150 of 10K. He's mad.

24. Title card says months pass, career over, back in gutter.
25. Flophouse, 15c beds, guys sit around and read about Sam's execution. Rico listens. They say little Caesar never found, he's a coward. Rico couldn't take it. Guys argue about whether Rico was yellow (don't know it's him), one says he lacked never and brains. Rico angry. Grabs newspaper. Makes phone call to captain Flaherty. Says you're big man, saying I can't take it? Captain ridicules then says trace call. Rico telling, says I'm coming for you. They find location of trace. Captain tells subordinate paper stuff was ruse to drive him out of hiding. Loads gun, says wish me luck.
26. Rico walking on street, cop car undercover drives by. 4 guys. In front of sign of joe and olga famous dancers on a billboard. Car and Rico shoot at each other. Rico says come get me. Cop shoots machine gun through sign. Rico hit, falls over cops congregate.
27. They talk, Rico says I told you you'd never out cuffs on me. What about mercy? Is this the end of Rico? Dies. Shot of Joe's sign. The end