

*Quorum - The Messenger's Tale - Side for SWIPE and MANNY*

SWIPE (V.O.)

Adrenaline's a powerful drug. Oh, there's ways to mimic the real deal — sports, games... hell, watching a scary movie. But nothing competes with getting right up to the edge of danger, taking your life in your hands playing chicken with two-ton hunks of glass and steel.

SOUND: CELL PHONE RINGING, PICKUP

(SWIPE IS CONFIDENT, NO-NONSENSE; A BIT ROUGH, BUT MOSTLY CHEERFUL AND FRIENDLY)

SWIPE

Needed to hear my voice again, Manny?

MANNY

(FILTERED, ON PHONE)

Swipe, tell me you're there.

SWIPE

Pulling up now. You doubt me?

MANNY

Just thinking about their deadline. Need you at the Hart office building by five. Past four-thirty now.

SWIPE

You promise them that delivery time?

MANNY

You know me better than that. But I may have... implied it. Be nice if you could keep them happy.

SWIPE

Ye of little faith.

MANNY

Could've given this to Spider. Still fastest guy I've got on call. Sure you'd be happy with that.