

“Beauty and the Beast”

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Opening Narration:

Meet Karen D’Plorabill, just a modern woman browsing the beauty aisle of her neighborhood drugstore. Like many seeking an elixir of youth, Karen imagined the attention her retinol toned 50-year-old skin would garner. When a frowning cashier interrupted this daydream, reminding her they were in a pandemic and everyone had to wear a mask, Karen balked. Why should she let a coronavirus mask cover her rejuvenated complexion? She had rights! She demanded to speak with his manager! In the heat of their argument, emotions rose, candy bars flew, and she coughed on everyone within six feet. This beauty had become a beast...in the Twilight Zone.

Closing Narration:

Karen D’Plorabill—a woman unfazed by a global pandemic’s threat—got attention she never dreamed possible. The cashier’s video of her meltdown drew a million views soon after he posted it on social media. Regretfully, Karen learned that anything could become viral...in the Twilight Zone.