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## The Danish Film Museum Presents

### *Seven Footprints to Satan*

Directed by

Script by .... From a novel by

With

- 1) Playing a trick on someone sometimes can be dramatic; but when the drama goes into the realm of fantasy, it becomes ridiculous and the jest has a happy ending.
- 2) For what secret errand is James Kirkham readying himself in the midst of night? (Creighton Hale)
- 3) Who can that be at this hour of the night?
- 4) I don't want anyone to see the boxes in the ante-room
- 5) Get me more ammunition – to night we'll need plenty
- 6) Where is my crazy nephew? Is it still his intention to travel?
- 7) He has just requested more ammunition—Imagine, he has bought enough for an entire army!
- 8) Is he in there?
- 9) Remember, you forced your entrance
- 10) O James – are you terribly busy?
- 11) Good Evening, Uncle Joe
- 12) I am practicing....  
An explorer must be skilled using weapons and be able to hit his bullseye.
- 13) Are you an explorer? But where and what are you gonna explore?
- 14) I have decided to go on a difficult expedition to darkest Africa.

- 15) You are a fool! One shouldn't waste money this way
- 16) Waste money? Oh, no. I want to prove to everyone that the oldest civilization in the world is buried in the middle of Africa
- 17) But you won't last 10 days down there
- 18) The millions you inherited from your father has turned your head
- 19) Why aren't you marrying? Eva could cure you of this nonsense
- 20) First I want to become a famous explorer
- 21) But you haven't even explored the garden behind your house
- ✓ 22) Mr Kirkham – a lady wants to see you
- 23) Haven't I already said I don't want to see anyone
- 24) Eva Martin (Thelma Todd)
- 25) I'm sorry to disturb you, James, but I have something to tell you
- 26) I'm sorry that you don't want to listen to me. Jim
- 27) I understand your feelings about this but I am attracted so much by adventure.
- 28) I'm not angry at you because you have stopped visiting me. I know that you are very busy because of your travel plans..
- 29) I have come to ask you a big favor
- 30) You know my father's collection of antiques, don't you?
- 31) Well, he wants to exhibit them at tonight's soiree
- 32) ...but I am suspicious of one of the guests
- 33) Can you tell me whether this is indeed professor Wrede, the Director of the Dresden Museum
- 34) Yes...No...Yes... There is a certain likeness, but I do not believe it is he
- 35) The guests have arrived already. Will you come with me right away, please?

36)Wait a moment, then I'll come

37)It's the famous Romanoff emerald

38)Welcome to New York, Professor

39)You don't seem to remember me?

40)Ya..Ya..I remember you...I remember you well. You are... You are..

41)It's strange ... Your name is right on the tip of my tongue..

42)Don't move. Follow me

43)You are gonna pay for this disgrace

44)Get the police. Quick. The phone lines have been cut

45)Quickly...to the policestation

46)Look Eva. There are no windows  
It's all made of steel.

47)This is not my car

48)It's a trap. We're locked in.

49)But it is my driver at the wheel

50)How long has this chauffeur been in your employ?

✓ 51)*Only*  
~~For just about~~ a week...

52)The car has stopped. What shall happen now?

53)It will not help you to protest. Get into the house.

54)Be careful –your life is at stake

55)But who are you? And where are we?

56)Silence. The walls have ears

57)I'm just gonna whisper something in your ear



58)Follow me: I will take you to your room

59)But we don't want to stay

60)Beware of the man on crutches

61)Your rooms are on the upper level

62)But we want to go home!

63)No questions –Do as I say

64)I think it is better to take this lady's advice

65)Why?

66)I think we should try to escape

67)S...U...R...E

68)But we want to leave

69)Let go of her!  
Let go of her!

70)You are to stay here with your fiancée

71)For how long?

72)Maybe an hour...  
Maybe a month....  
Maybe a year...  
Maybe for always...  
Satan decides

73)But don't you understand – we prefer to leave?

74)Save me!...Satan has condemned me to one hundred whiplashes.

75) Do not let your Fiancée be taken away

76)Be careful, Satan's gorilla has gotten out

77)I am Satan's servant

78)Now I understand nothing at all

79)The girl must sleep here

80)Don't leave me James! --Don't leave me all alone!

81)She must sleep here –Those are my orders

82)Do as I say otherwise you'll learn how Satan punishes those who do not obey

83)But we want to go home

84)Who is Satan?

85)He's the one who decides everything

86)Look...a hand!

87)Get the police...if you can

88)Satan has kept me a prisoner here for months without food or water

89)I am sorry that I frightened you

90)I have come to talk to your friend

91)But I will not help Satan

92)I am number 13 and one of Satan's servants. I have been ordered to take what is in your right pocket

93)Your father's emerald!

94)Exactly. Satan can use it in his collection of antiques

95)But it is a very valuable stone, my good man! It belongs to Eva's father

96)Give me the emerald

97)Put it in the safe.

98)Here you get numbers instead of names. You are number 741 and your girlfriend is number 742

✓ 99)Your dinner <sup>is ready</sup> ~~is served~~ in the room next door

- 100) I prefer to have dinner at home
- 101) Don't move or I'll kill you
- 102) Take this key... if you have enough courage to leave this house before  
Satan kills all of us
- 103) Follow the hall to room 13 and tell the man who is there that everything is  
ready
- 104) Sorry, but I would like to go home in a little bit
- 105) You said room...room... #13
- 106) Room #13
- 107) Who are you?  
What do you want?
- 108) The girl asked me to tell you that everything is ready
- 109) Get out! You are probably another one of Satan's spies! You have  
come to trap me!
- 110) But...but...the girl said...
- 111) You recognize Satan's faithful agents, I trust
- 112) The explanation for your disappearance from the world will be fabricated  
by us and given to the newspapers
- 113) Let me go! Satan doesn't need me anymore, I'm sure
- 114) Sign
- 115) I refuse to sign a blank note
- 116) Fetch "The Spider"
- 117) Take the girl away..until this fool learns to obey our master
- 118) If I sign, can my fiancée then stay with me?
- 119) Finally, you are being sensible
- 120) Take him away!

121) The Professor sent me  
Take this key

122)(note reads) " Don't trust anyone in this house except Professor Moriarity.  
Your life is in danger"

123) Password

124) I am one of the nameless brothers  
Satan Forever

✓ 125)The car outside will take you <sup>where you wish</sup> ~~to your destination~~

126) Go back to your room...Your fiancée is being taken away

127) I am one of the nameless brothers. Satan forever.

128) Sorry Brother, but a traitor has escaped...I will have to let you out here –  
nobody can leave this house

129) You are not allowed to wear masks

130) Silence! Satan arrives

✓ 131) Satan will bestow <sup>two women</sup> the honor of dining with him ~~on two women~~

132) Sit down –Satan is going to choose which two women

133) Get up you cowards! Let's kill the demon.

134) Silence!

135) If I am found out – the two women will be killed

136) I am Prof. Moriarity. I have come to help you

137) Do not trust anyone in this house except Prof. Moriarity. Your life is in  
danger

138) What has happened to Eva?

139) She has been taken to Satan's room

140) This is "The Spider's" room. Satan's room is across the way



141) We're caught in a trap. We'll never get out alive

142) Kill the traitors! Kill them!

143) Silence! Satan arrives.

144) Begin the judgment.

145) Prisoners, you'll be spared if you succeed in stepping on the right steps of Satan's ladder.

146) If you choose the correct 4 steps – you'll be released immediately.

147) For every wrong step, you will have to serve Satan for one year.

148) Four wrong steps means instant death.

149) Look at them – what cowards. They don't deserve Satan's mercy.

150) I detest all of you...

Demons...

✓ Thieves... Criminals

151) I'll do anything you ask if only you release the girl.

152) Silence! Satan wants to answer the prisoner.

153) If you succeed in cheating death. I'll need you in a very important matter.

154) I'll obey any order so long as you let the girl go.

155) The girl can leave freely. Now try the seven steps.

156) If you should turn around to look at the "scoreboard" – you'll be killed instantly.

157) You have saved your life. But according to your oath you must serve our master for three years.

158) That's all right. I'll serve for three years if you release the girl.

159) Uncle Joe! What are you doing here?

160) Me? I'm Satan.

161) You were talking so much about adventure that I wanted to give you enough for a lifetime.

162) Everyone present is a witness that you will have to show up in my office every day for three years.

163) I hope you'll forgive me... we didn't want to let you leave for darkest Africa.

✓ 164) If I am to serve Uncle Satan for three years ... I'll need your <sup>help!</sup>~~support!~~