## Terminal Velocity

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Eleanor Racer is sitting behind the wheel of her Gordon Murray T.50, and Priscilla Starkweather is sitting behind the wheel of her Lamborghini Essenza SCV12. Beside them is a guy (an anthropomorphic anteater wearing a blue Garbage t-shirt and green cargo pants) sitting behind the wheel of a yellow 2017 Ferrari F12tdf, and a guy (an anthropomorphic Afghan hound wearing a purple Bowling For Soup t-shirt and grey shorts) sitting behind the wheel of a white 2021 Nissan GT-R Nismo. Kang walks up to Eleanor.

"Are you ready for this?" Kang asked.

"This is my first time racing with this car, and you know me and Priscilla can take these guys," Eleanor replied.

"Okay, now good luck," said Kang.

"Thanks for that," Eleanor replied.

"You're welcome," said Kang before rejoining the rest of the team on the sidewalk.

Chester walks up to Priscilla.

"I bet you're ready for this," said Chester.

"You know me, Chester. I never raced with this car before, but it seems to handle better than my Centenario. I know this car isn't street legal, but I'm racing it on the street anyway!" Priscilla replied. "You're a very rebellious lady, and I love that! Good luck!" said Chester.

"Thank you," Priscilla replied.

"You're welcome," said Chester before rejoining the rest of the team on the sidewalk.

Burton walks up and stands between the Essenza SCV12 and the F12tdf.

"Alright, is everyone ready to race?" Burton asked.

"Hell yeah!" Priscilla replied as she revved the engine of her Essenza SCV12, causing flames to shoot out of the exhaust tips.

Eleanor revs the engine of her T.50. The Ferrari driver and the Nissan driver rev back at Priscilla and Eleanor.

"10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, go!" said Burton before bringing out his AF2011A1, aiming it in the air, and pulling the trigger.

All four drivers launch out of the starting line, leaving skid marks and tire smoke behind them. Burton runs back onto the sidewalk and rejoins the rest of the team. Priscilla shifts into second and third gear before making a hard left. Eleanor shifts into second and third gear before following Priscilla. The Ferrari driver shifts into second, third, and fourth gear before following Eleanor. The Nissan driver shifts into second and third gear before making the same maneuver.

"So how much power does that Ferrari have?" Pandora asked.

"That car is powered by a 6.3 liter V12 that puts out 770 horsepower and 520 pound-feet of torque. The transmission is a 7-speed automatic," Damien replied. "How fast can it go?" Fraser asked.

"That car can do 0-60 mph in 2.9 seconds and tops out at 211 mph," Alice replied. "So what about the GT-R Nismo? How powerful is that thing?" Krist asked. "That car is powered by a 3.8 liter VR38DETT V6 that puts out 600 mph and 481 pound-feet of torque. The transmission is a 6-speed semi automatic," Gabriella replied. "How fast is that car?" Eddie asked.

"That Nissan does 0-60 mph in 2.7 seconds and tops out at 205 mph," Donita replied. "I'm willing to bet that Priscilla and Eleanor can beat these two," said Rodney.

"That's what it looks like," Claire replied.

"Let's see who wins," said Brendan.

Priscilla shifts into fourth, fifth, and sixth gear before making a hard right. Eleanor shifts into fourth, fifth, and sixth gear before making the same maneuver. The Ferrari driver shifts into fifth, sixth, and seventh gear before following Eleanor. The Nissan driver shifts into fourth, fifth, and sixth gear before making the same maneuver. All four drivers near miss a 2040 Ford Bronco, a 2040 Ram 1500, a 2035 Tesla Cybertruck, and a 2022 Camaro SS before making a hard left. They speed through a busy intersection, causing a 2025 Tesla Model X to t-bone a Google Street View Car. Priscilla crosses the finish line first with Eleanor crossing it second, the Ferrari driver third, and the Nissan driver last. All four drivers exit their cars and approach one another.

"Hell yeah! We did it!" said Eleanor as she faced Priscilla.

"Damn right we did!" Priscilla replied as she gave Eleanor a high five.

"Looks like we underestimated you, so here's your reward," said the Nissan driver as he gave Eleanor a check for \$10,000.

"Thanks," Eleanor replied as she put the check in her pocket.

"And I guess I owe you this," said the Ferrari driver as he gave Priscilla a check for \$13,000.

"Thank you, and we should do this again someday," Priscilla replied as she put the check in her pocket.

The Ferrari driver and the Nissan driver get back in their cars and drive away. Damien's phone rings.

"Hello?" Damien asked after answering his phone.

"Hello, Damien. It's Ray again. We have another job coming up, and I need you and your crew to get here ASAP," Ray replied over the phone.

"Okay, we'll be there shortly. Wait for us," said Damien before hanging up and putting

his phone away. "Ray just called and said that there's a job coming up."

"What the hell does he want us to steal this time?" Sean asked.

"I don't know, but there's only one way to find out," Damien replied.

"I have a feeling that it's gonna be another really fast car," said Tony.

"Of course it is," Charlie replied. "Why else wouldn't he want us to steal a car?"

"That's a good point," said Tony.

"Come on, let's get the hell out of here," said Andreas.

The Blacklist get in their cars and head out. They soon arrive at Ray's mansion, park

their cars in the garage, and exit their cars before walking to the planning room.

"Hello, everyone! I see that you're all here," said Ray.

"Yeah, we're all here," Ruby replied.

"So what do you want us to steal this time?" Magra asked.

"Whatever it is, I welcome it," said Damien.

"You people are heading to Jacksonville to steal this 2022 Hennessey Venom F5 from an auction," Ray replied as he showed everyone photos of a yellow Hennessey Venom F5 on the screen.

"I like the look of that car," said Eddie as he saw the photos.

"Who doesn't?" Marilyn asked in a sarcastic manner.

"So what kind of engine does that car have?" Gavin asked.

"The Venom F5 is powered by a 6.6 liter twin turbo Fury V8 that produces 1,817

horsepower and 1,193 pound-feet of torque. The photos have shown that this one has

the 6-speed manual instead of the 7-speed dual-clutch automatic," Becky replied.

"How fast is that car able to go?" Ruby asked.

"It's able to do 0-60 mph in 2.6 seconds and tops out at 311 mph, so it's almost as fast as the SSC Tuatara," Chelsea replied.

"I would imagine that car is very light," said Magra.

"It is since it weighs 2,998 pounds due to the fact that the body panels are carbon fiber, and the chassis is a carbon fiber monocoque," Mandy replied.

"I'm guessing they didn't make very many of those," said Atticus.

"They only built 24 of those, and each one cost \$2.1 million when they were new," Riley replied.

"Okay, so who will be stealing that car?" Ray asked.

"I volunteer to steal it. My dad already has the predecessor, the Venom GT. I think it would make sense for me to steal the Venom F5," Darrell replied.

"That's understandable," said Simeon.

"So who will be riding with who this time?" Ray asked.

"I will ride with Damien," Alice replied. "I'll go with Eleanor," said Kang. "Chester is coming with me," said Priscilla. "I'll ride with Eddie," said Sean. "Riley can come with me," said Marilyn. "I'm going to ride with Tony," said Charlie. "I can ride with Simeon," said Krist. "I'll go with Malakai because everyone knows how much I love him," said Maynard. "Becky is coming with me," said Chelsea. "I can ride with Gavin," said Andreas. "I'm gonna ride with Burton this time," said Pandora. "Meanwhile, I'm gonna go with Brendan," said Fraser. "Magra is gonna come with me," said Ruby. "I'll have Atticus come with me," said Mandy. "Rodney can ride with me," said Claire. "I will go with Gabriella," said Donita. "That leaves Darrell with me," said Franklin. "Then it's settled! Blacklist One is all fueled up and is waiting at the airport. Keep in mind that you will have to evade the Florida Highway Patrol and possibly the SWAT Team. I know that you people can pull this off since you've done stuff like this before," said Ray.

"Everyone knows that Florida is a really shitty place to visit, let alone live in. Besides, Atticus is one of the only Floridians that I've met that I can actually trust despite the fact that he's from Tampa," Damien replied.

"Thanks, even though me and my brother grew up here in LA, and I don't even miss my brother since he wanted to nuke the world," said Atticus.

"Come on, let's go get that car!" said Alice.

The Blacklist run to the garage and get in their cars: Damien & Alice in Damien's NSX, Priscilla & Chester in Priscilla's Essenza SCV12, Eleanor & Kang in Eleanor's T.50, Sean & Eddie in Eddie's GT500, Marilyn & Riley in Marilyn's S1, Charlie & Tony in Tony's Camaro, Simeon & Krist in Simeon's Octavia vRS Estate, Maynard & Malakai in Malakai's E63 S AMG Wagon, Becky & Chelsea in Chelsea's Viper ACR, Andreas & Gavin in Gavin's Vulcan, Burton & Pandora in Burton's Beast Alpha X Blackbird, Brendan & Fraser in Brendan's Revero GT, Ruby & Magra in Ruby's 812 Superfast, Mandy & Atticus in Mandy's CT4-V Blackwing, Rodney & Claire in Claire's GMC Hummer EV SUV, Gabriella & Donita in Gabriella's SF90, and Franklin & Darrell in Franklin's 911 GT3. The cars are started up, and The Blacklist head out. They soon arrive at the Los Angeles International Airport. They pull up to Ray's hangar. The cargo door of Blacklist One opens up, and The Blacklist drive their cars into the cargo bay one by one. They exit their cars and walk to the cabin before sitting down and strapping themselves in. The plane's crew secure the cars into place before sitting down and strapping themselves in as the cargo door closes up. Rob Draiman and his co-pilot get seated and strap themselves in.

"Okay, we're heading to Jacksonville momentarily," said Rob over the intercom.

Blacklist One is taxied out of its hangar and onto the runway before taking off. The landing gear is retracted.

5 hours later.

Blacklist One arrives at the Jacksonville International Airport. The landing gear is deployed, and the jet lands onto the runway before being taxied into a hangar. The Blacklist stand up and walk to the cargo bay. They get into their cars as the cargo door opens up. They exit the cargo bay one by one before heading to the streets.

"Welcome to Jacksonville," said Damien.

"I remember that I've only been here once, so this is my second time visiting this place," Atticus replied.

"Atticus, you know that we can't do any sightseeing, right?" Priscilla asked.

"Yeah, I understand because we gotta get that Venom F5 outta there," Atticus replied.

"Exactly," said Claire.

The Blacklist arrive at the fairgrounds and park their cars in the parking lot. Darrell puts his earpiece on.

"Good luck getting that car," said Franklin.

"Thanks, and it should be easy to find," Darrell replied before exiting the Porsche.

Darrell climbs over a fence and makes his way into the crowd.

"Darrell, can you hear me?" Damien asked.

"Loud and clear," Darrell replied.

"Alright, the Venom F5 is in Building 3," said Damien.

"I'm right in front of that building," Darrell replied as he spotted a building with the number 3 on it.

Darrell enters the building. He notices a worker (an anthropomorphic beagle wearing a white polo shirt and grey slacks) walking towards the Venom F5. Darrell sneaks up behind the worker and puts him in a chokehold. The worker loses consciousness, and Darrell sets him down before searching the guy's front left pocket. Darrell pulls the key out and gets into the driver's seat of the Venom F5. He puts the key into the ignition before starting up the car and driving it out of the building. He drives over to the parking lot and meets up with the rest of the team.

"I have the car. Now let's go!" said Darrell.

The Blacklist head to the streets and speed past a state trooper driving a 2040 Corvette. "Dispatch, a bunch of exotic cars just sped past me! Engaging in pursuit!" said the cop on his CB radio before turning on his siren.

"Copy that. Backup is en route. ETA 12 seconds," the dispatcher replied.

Several other state troopers driving 2040 Corvettes, 2040 Mustang GTs, 2040 Dodge Challenger R/Ts, and 2040 Ford Broncos engage in the pursuit.

"Dammit, it's the cops!" Darrell shouted.

"We'll deal with them like how we normally do," Damien replied before activating the shockwave, blowing a Corvette away and causing it to roll over.

Priscilla accelerates towards the rear left wheel of a Bronco, causing it to roll over.

Eleanor fires an EMP at a Mustang, frying its system and causing it to collide head-on with a 2021 Volvo XC90. Eddie deploys a spike strip, shredding the tires of a Challenger and causing it to crash into a stop sign. Marilyn rear-ends a Corvette, causing it to crash into the rear of a 2022 BMW M5. Tony sideswipes a Mustang, causing it to hit a curb and roll over. Simeon hits the left side of the rear bumper of a Challenger, causing it to spin out and roll over. Malakai deploys a spike strip, shredding the tires of a Corvette and causing it to crash into the rear of a 2035 Toyota Prius. Chelsea accelerates towards the rear right wheel of a Bronco, causing it to roll over. Gavin activates the shockwave, blowing a Mustang away and causing it to roll over. Burton fires an EMP at a Challenger, frying its system and causing it to t-bone a Google Street View Car. A cop in a Corvette pulls up to the left of Darrell.

"This is the Florida Highway Patrol! Pull over and turn the engine off!" the cop shouted on his loudspeaker.

"Fuck that!" Darrell replied before bringing out his P99 and shooting the front right tire off of the Corvette, causing it to lose control and crash into the rear of a 2012 Smart ForTwo.

Brendan activates the shockwave, blowing a Bronco away and causing it to roll over. Ruby deploys a spike strip, shredding the tires of a Mustang and causing it to collide head-on with a C8 Corvette. Mandy fires an EMP at Challenger, frying its system and causing it to t-bone a 2039 Tesla Model X. Claire rear-ends a Bronco, causing it to lose control and crash into a stop sign. Franklin sideswipes a Corvette, causing it to crash into the rear of a 2036 Mini Cooper. Gabriella activates the shockwave, blowing a Mustang away and causing it to roll over.

"That's it for the state troopers," said Gabriella.

Several teams of SWAT officers driving 2039 Chevy Suburbans, 2040 Tesla Model Ys, 2040 Ford Explorers, and 2039 Dodge Durangos engage in the pursuit.

"We have the SWAT Team after us!" Malakai shouted.

"We'll deal with them the same way we dealt with the state troopers," Damien replied before deploying a spike strip, shredding the tires of a Durango and causing it to crash into the rear of a 2035 Tesla Cybertruck.

Priscilla fires an EMP at a Suburban, frying its system and causing it to crash into a stop sign. Eleanor accelerates towards the rear left wheel of a Model Y, causing it to roll over. Gabriella sideswipes an Explorer, causing it to hit a curb and roll over. Franklin rear-ends a Suburban, causing it to lose control and t-bone a 2034 BMW X5. Claire activates the shockwave, blowing a Model Y away and causing it to roll over. Ruby fires an EMP at a Durango, frying its system and causing it to collide head-on with a 2022 Ferrari Portofino. Brendan deploys a spike strip, shredding the tires of an Explorer and causing it to crash into the rear of a 2036 Toyota Highlander. Burton accelerates towards the rear right wheel of a Suburban, causing it to roll over. A SWAT officer driving a Model Y pulls up to the right of Darrell.

"This is the SWAT Team! Pull that car over now!" said the SWAT officer on his loudspeaker.

"I'm not pulling over, asshole!" Darrell replied before bringing out his P99 and shooting the front left tire off of the Tesla, causing it to lose control and roll over.

Gavin sideswipes a Durango, causing it to hit a curb and roll over. Chelsea fires an EMP at an Explorer, frying its system and causing it to crash into the rear of a Ferrari FF. Malakai deploys a spike strip, shredding the tires of a Suburban and causing it to crash into a stop sign. Simeon activates the shockwave, blowing a Model Y away and causing it to roll over. Tony rear-ends a Suburban, causing it to lose control and crash into the rear of a 2034 Ford Expedition. Marilyn hits the right side of the rear bumper of a Suburban, causing it to spin out and roll over. Eddie activates the shockwave, blowing an Explorer and causing it to roll over.

"That's it for the SWAT Team," said Eddie.

"Excellent work, team! Now let's leave this shithole once and for all!" Damien replied. The Blacklist arrive at the Jacksonville International Airport. They pull up to Blacklist One. The cargo door opens up, and The Blacklist drive their cars into the cargo bay one by one. The cargo door closes up as The Blacklist exit their cars, walk to the cabin, get seated, and strap themselves in. The plane's crew secure the cars into place before sitting down and strapping themselves in. Rob Draiman and his co-pilot get seated and strap themselves in.

"Okay, we're heading back to LA," said Rob.

Blacklist One is taxied out of the hangar and onto the runway before taking off. The landing gear is retracted.

## 5 hours later.

Blacklist One arrives at the Los Angeles International Airport. The landing gear is deployed and the jet lands on the runway before being taxied into Ray's hangar. The Blacklist walk to the cargo bay and get into their cars. The cargo door opens up, and they drive the cars out of the cargo bay one by one and head to the streets. They soon arrive at Ray's mansion, park their cars in the garage, exit the cars, and walk to the planning room. "Welcome back, everyone!" said Ray.

"Thank you, and we got the Venom F5 for you," Darrell replied before tossing the key to Ray.

"You're welcome, and thanks," said Ray as he caught the key. "My mechanics will modify the car before delivering it to your place."

"I'm looking forward to that, and I'll show it to my dad once it arrives," Darrell replied.

"Ray, be sure to let us know if anything else comes up," said Damien.

"I'll be sure to let you know," Ray replied.

The Blacklist walk to the garage, get in their cars, exit the garage, and head to the streets before driving away.

Tony WolFox is Owned by Tony Paavilainen aka Tony WolFox.

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