

The Misplaced Tourist

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A young man who appears to be barely out of his teens, Kevin Riley is blond, good-looking, in good physical shape, and displays a kind of eager, wide-eyed curiosity that some find pleasantly amusing and others find mildly annoying. Though he appears to be a permanent resident at the hotel, Kevin insists that he's actually out touring various cities around the globe before he settles down and decides what to do with his life.

The odd thing is that, no matter what city the hotel is actually in, Kevin will make remarks indicating that he believes the hotel to be in a completely different city...if it's in New York, Kevin may seem to think it's in Chicago, L.A., or London. He'll act surprised if anyone points out this discrepancy to him, and then he'll obviously "play along", "humoring" the other person because he doesn't want to hurt their feelings by pointing out they are in fact the ones who are wrong.

Kevin spends most of the day out of the hotel, doing "tourist things" but when he returns he will sometimes have items with him that are a bit out of place. For example, he might bring back as dinner a piping hot sandwich, obviously freshly-made, but the name, address, and phone number on the bag are for a restaurant in a different city (frequently on a different continent). His pocket change for the day may be in a currency from a different country, or possibly be American, but rather antique or out-of-date...all the coins and bills have dates prior to 1950, for instance.

The city Kevin believes the hotel to occupy is different every day, and if yesterday he said Chicago and today he says London - and someone points this out to him - he acts as though he's always said it was in London, and then goes into his "play along, humor the other person" routine.

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