

It's Not Easy

US TV sitcom : 1983 : dir.
 : ABC / 20th Century Fox / Patricia Nardo / Frank Konigsberg : ? x 25 min
 prod: : scr: : dir.ph.:
[Billy Jacoby](#); [Evan Cohen](#)
 Ken Howard; Carlene Watkins; Bert Convy; Jayne Meadows

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Halliwell's Television Companion review:

"A divorced couple share joint custody of the children, and live across the street from each other. A thin idea for a comedy: it didn't sustain. Creator: Patricia Nardo"

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"**"It's Not Easy"**, an inane TV comedy, features Billy Jacoby (about 14) and a supercute redheaded 9, Evan Cohen..."

[no listing in "History of Television", "Television's Greatest Hits" or "25 Years of ITV - 1955-1980"]

The Moving Picture Boy entry on Jacoby:

"Billy was the half-brother of the excellent Scott Jacoby (born 1955), and elder of Bobby (born 1973). He was seen later in **"RECKLESS"**."

No further information currently available. Such a title does leave itself wide open to the conservative rejoinder – if *divorce* weren't so easy, these messy situations wouldn't arise, would they? – but American sitcoms are not noted for their social realism, so I daresay it all works out *real* easy, the title notwithstanding.

Billy Jacoby was 15, his itinerary the least interesting of the three Jacoby's. After **"NORTH DALLAS FORTY"** in 79, he joined Leif Garrett as a psychotic kiddie in **"BLOODY BIRTHDAY"** (80), played the hero as a boy – very briefly – in **"THE BEASTMASTER"** (82) and was the kid brother of the sex-swap student in **"JUST ONE OF THE GUYS"** (85). Nothing else is known of "supercute" Evan Cohen.

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