

Episode 4 - A Visit to the Doctor

By Three Kids in a Closet

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INT. DOCTOR'S OFFICE - CHECKUP ROOM

Lucas and Amanda sit waiting in the checkup room. Lucas is holding baby EMMY. His TEAL PEN is tucked behind his ear, and he adjusts it.

LUCAS
(to Amanda)
The nurse left a long time ago.

AMANDA
Don't worry about it. The **longest**
we've ever had to wait is 15
minutes.

LUCAS
What're the **chances** he gets here
soon?

AMANDA
He's **typically** really **consistent**.

Emmy squirms fussily in Lucas's arms like a fish escaping from a boat.

Enter MYOPIC DOCTOR. He's nearsighted, wearing round eyeglasses with improbably thick transition lenses (the sort that tint in the sunlight).

MYOPIC DOCTOR
Sorry to keep you waiting.

AMANDA
(wryly, to Lucas)
See?

The doctor squints at Emmy.

MYOPIC DOCTOR
Who is that?

LUCAS
(checking)
This is Emmy.

MYOPIC DOCTOR
Ah. No Sophia for this checkup?

LUCAS
(gesturing with baby)
Just Emmy this time.

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MYOPIC DOCTOR

Okay. Well, everything looks good--

Myopic Doctor removes his spectacles and polishes them with his tie.

MYOPIC DOCTOR (CONT'D)

I reviewed the nurse's report as I was walking over.

Amanda stares incredulously at the high-powered glasses in the doctor's hands as if she is thinking "But, how??"

MYOPIC DOCTOR (CONT'D)

Anyway, let's talk about her weight.

The doctor shows them a growth chart.

MYOPIC DOCTOR (CONT'D)

You can see that she's in the **10th percentile** for girls her age.

LUCAS

The what?

MYOPIC DOCTOR

(pointing precisely at the chart, and missing)

On average, infants her age **usually** fall in this weight range, and Emmy is right here.

AMANDA

(concernedly)

She hasn't been eating well.

Amanda glances at Lucas.

AMANDA (CONT'D)

And she has been spitting up a lot after she eats.

MYOPIC DOCTOR

I saw that in the report, and it is something to keep an eye on, but it's actually not that unusual. I don't think we need to be concerned unless it worsens. We'll watch her progress closely.

Myopic Doctor smiles as he puts his massive glasses back on.

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